



# POTTSGROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Meeting Held March 24, 2015

Summary of Key Discussion and Actions Taken:

The Pottsgrove School District Board of Directors held its twice monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at the District Office.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No Public Comment

Mr. Jim Hanna, Construction Project Manager, showed picture of work in progress and areas of the building that are near completion. The pictures will be available later this week on our website at <http://www.pgdsd.org/Page/1385>. Superintendent Feola reported on renovation progress at the High School and a revised timeline that adds no additional time or cost to the project but does re-prioritize some of the work to be completed this summer and deferring work on the high school office suite to the summer of 2016. The revision also includes starting work on the existing cafeteria in mid-May to assure completion at the start of the new school year. Superintendent Feola advised the Board on provisions being made to serve lunch to students in the final few weeks of this school year.

After a pre-meeting tour of spaces housing student and personnel records, the Board discussed the challenges posed in storing old paper records during and after renovation. Superintendent Feola referenced the development of an expanded and more detailed records management regulation to support the existing policy.

In addition to the regular monthly reports and business, **the Board took action on the following:**

1. The Board accepted a recommendation to award the spring 2015 athletic supply bid.
2. The Board approved the revised High School Renovation Project timeline as discussed.
3. The Board approved the recommendation to authorize the administration to enter into an agreement with the SOS Group, Inc. at a cost of \$16.00 per hour not to exceed 1,000 hours.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The Board Finance Committee (a committee of the whole) met to hear district-level departmental budget proposals for the 2015-2016 school year. All proposed departmental budgets are near or below current year levels. Superintendent Feola and Mr. Nester reviewed the three cost-drivers in the proposed budget including current contractual salary increases, pension contributions, and charter school tuition. The following department directors presented their budgets

1. Facilities – presented by David Nester on behalf of the recently hired director
2. Athletics- Gary DeRenzo
3. Technology- Michael Wagman
4. Special Education- Dr. Maura Roberts
5. Curriculum- Daniel Vorhis

The PowerPoint slides summarizing each department's spending plan are available online at <http://www.pgdsd.org/site/default.aspx?PageID=1344>.

Superintendent Feola concluded the presentations reminding the Board that this is still early in the process, actual state funding levels may not be known by June 30 and the district continues to carefully assess potential savings in health care costs, personnel needs, and other large expenditures to close the deficit.

Upcoming Events:

March 26, 27-28 - Middle School Musical



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- April 1-6 – Spring Break for Students
- April 1-2- Faculty Staff Development
- April 3-6 – Spring Break for Faculty
- April 13-17 – PSSA English Language Arts – Grades 3-8
- April 14- School Board Meeting – Ringing Rocks, 7:30 pm

View the Comprehensive Calendar of District events at <http://www.pgsd.org/Page/2>

Visit the Board website at <http://www.pgsd.org/board>

For Renovation information, visit <http://www.pgsd.org/facilities>

Board meetings are now recorded for viewing on PCTV twice weekly, Wed., at 6:30 PM, Sun., at 6:00 PM and on demand from the District website.