



## POTTSGROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Meeting Held May 12, 2015

Summary of Key Discussion and Actions Taken:

The Pottsgrove School District Board of Directors held its twice monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at Pottsgrove High School.

Dr. Ziegler, Dr. Ramage, Mr. Wagman, and PGHS student Sydney Hernandez presented a report of the DiLE 1:1 implementation from January through May. The presentation and video will be available on the website later this week.

The Board voted to maintain a full-time chorus teacher for next school year.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Multiple public comments related to support of the arts program and the maintenance of other positions in the high school and the presentation of a petition by a representative of the Western Center to save a school resource officer position there. Mrs. Delena, President of the Pottsgrove Education Association, talked about the dedication of the teachers to the district's students and expressed her wish that a fair and competitive contract for teachers be achieved.

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

The Board approved all personnel items as presented.

The Board approved a demotion resolution as presented.

After extensive discussion, the Board approved by a vote of 8-1 the adoption of the 2015-2016 Proposed Final General Fund Budget as presented. Many questions were asked. Mr. Alexander asked for a special meeting dedicated to budget discussion. It is not the final budget but the vote meets a state mandated timeline. Budget discussions will continue. The proposed final budget needs to be posted for 30 days and the final budget must be adopted by June 30.

The Board authorized administration to execute an agreement with Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21 as presented.

The Board authorized administration to execute two agreements with Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams, LLP as presented.

The Board authorized administration to enter into an agreement with the Lincoln Center for two TEACH counselors for the 2015-2016 school year at a cost of \$153,000.

The Board approved the Western Center 2015-2016 Proposed Final Budget as presented that represents a 3.19% increase over last year.

The Board appointed Patti Grimm as Board Treasurer for the 2015-2016 school year.

The Board approved the 2015-2016 MCCC Dual Enrollment Memorandum agreement as presented.

The Board adopted a Reimbursement Resolution drafted by Fox Rothschild as presented.

The Board authorized administration to execute an agreement with MCIU for Internet services for the 2015-2016 school year as presented.



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The Board authorized administration to renew the Food Service Contract with Chartwells for the 2015-2016 school year as presented.

The Board authorized administration to enter into an agreement with CBIZ for their ACA Checkpoint Services at an initial cost of \$2,545 with a recurring yearly cost of \$1,050 as presented.

The Board tabled a motion by a vote of 5-4 to authorize administration to bid for three school buses within the budgeted amount of \$250,000 as presented.

The Board approved the submission of PlanCon Part B for the issuance of the 2015A bond issue as presented.

The Board authorized administration to execute an agreement with Invo Healthcare Associates for supplemental psychologist services at a rate of \$72/hour.

The Board authorized administration to execute an agreement with Delta-T Group for supplemental psychologist services at a rate of \$75/hour.

The Board authorized administration to execute an agreement with New Story for one student to attend their ESY program at an approximate cost of \$5,075.

The Board authorized administration to extend our agreement with Austill's Rehabilitation Services, Inc. for occupational services at a rate of \$59.26/hour.

The Board approved budget transfers for April 2015.

The Board approved payment of the Pottsgrove High School Renovations Project invoices as presented.

The Board approved the overnight trip for the high school band students to attend the Peach Bowl in Atlanta, GA as presented.

The Board approved the overnight camps as presented.

The Board approved revised Policy #217 – Graduation Requirements as submitted.

**BOARD STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:** Ms. Chloe Klaus reported on student activities including a meeting students held with administration on proposed staffing for music, art and business departments at the high school. Ms. Klaus also discussed student involvement with high school administration in evaluating dress code. Ms. Klaus spoke about her experiences as a student board representative and the importance of student and administration communication.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Board revisited a tabled motion to waive a penalty imposed on a taxpayer due to a possible error in check handling. The motion was reintroduced and passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None



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### UPCOMING DATES:

- 5/13/15 - Lower Pottsgrove Elementary Grade 4 Grandparents Day
- 5/14/15 - Spring Keystone Exams begin
- 5/14/15 - Ringing Rocks Elementary Volunteer Breakfast
- 5/14/15 - MS Choir Spring Concert @ Middle School at 7:30 PM
- 5/15/15 - Lower Pottsgrove Elementary Field Day
- 5/16/15 - Pottsgrove Education Foundation Fun Run
- 5/16/15 - 5th Grade Choir Concert @ Lower 7:30 PM
- 5/18/15 - Special Olympics
- 5/18/15 - Elementary Spring Band Concert @ Middle School at 7:30 PM
- 5/19/15 - Western Center Recognition Ceremony @ Pottsgrove Middle School
- 5/20/15 - HS Choir Spring Concert @ High School at 7:30 PM
- 5/21/15 - HS Music Department Awards & Banquet
- 5/21/15 - West Pottsgrove Elementary Art Show 6:30 PM
- 5/25/15 - Memorial Day, District Closed
- 5/26/15 - School Board Work Session @ District office 6:30 PM

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

For Renovation information, visit <http://www.pgdsd.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.