



Cherry Hill Board of Education

Notes

Highlights from the February Action Meeting

Board Representative Reports

Lydia George-Koku, Cherry Hill High School East Representative, spoke about student accomplishments and concerns, as well as upcoming events at East, including the school musical, Aida, opening February 28. Ryan Gallagher, Cherry Hill High School West Representative, spoke about student achievements and the upcoming Senior Trip to Orlando, Florida.

Curriculum & Instruction

The Board approved attendance of various district and nonpublic school staff at conferences and workshops.

The Board approved an of district student placement for the 2013-2014 school year during the February 2014 cycle for one student.

The Board approved a Service Contract with NJ Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired for the 2013-2014 academic year during the February 2014 cycle.

The Board approved mileage reimbursement to and from Mt. Misery for Carusi staff members.

The Board approved a Contract with the Camden County Educational Services Commission for provision of Educational Services for Chapters 192 and 193 for the period of September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, on file in the office of the Superintendent.

Business & Facilities

The Board approved the financial reports for December 2013, including the Board Secretary’s Certification and Treasurer’s Report, the Line Item Transfer Report, the Food Service Operating Statement, and the SACC Financial Report. The Board approved the disbursement of funds in the amount of \$9,830,989.07 as well as the bill list dated February 25, 2014, in the amount of \$2,723,422.98.

The Board approved the authorization for the use of Office Basics, Boothwyn, PA, as a vendor for supplies and services. The Board approved a resolution that all school bus emergency drills were successfully completed at all schools.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of

transportation to First Student Bus Service, Inc., to transport one McKinney Vento student to/from Sicklerville, NJ, to/from Cherry Hill High School West.

The Board authorized the execution and delivery of the Grant Agreements in which the State of New Jersey has agreed to provide grants in the amount of 40 percent of the costs of each of the School Facilities Projects proposed by the Board and by the Township of Cherry Hill. The Board delegated the authority to supervise the Project to the Assistant Superintendent, Business/Board Secretary, effective immediately.

The Board approved a resolution to accept the proposal of Comcast Business Communications, LLC, for the provision of managed network and telephone services to the Cherry Hill Public School District for an initial term of 24 months at a total cost of \$59,636.02 per month for basic Ethernet private Line Services, Ethernet Dedicated Internet Services and telephone services.

The Board accepted a donation from the Cherry Hill Education Foundation for \$1,721.72 to support the Mt. Misery Program.

The Board accepted a monetary donation to various schools—Barton, Cooper, Beck, Carusi and Cherry Hill East—chosen by Bob’s Discount Furniture in the amount of \$2350 per school, at a total of \$11,750.

Human Resources/Negotiations

The Board approved termination of employment and appointments of certificated staff, including teachers and long-term substitute teachers, student teachers, clinical training and co-curricular appointments.

The Board approved various appointments of non-certificated staff, leaves of absence for certificated and non-certificated staff, assignment/salary changes, and other compensation.

Policies & Legislation

The Board approved the following for first reading as

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submitted:

- Draft Policy 5141.1: Accidents
- Draft Policy 5141.2: Illness

The Board approved the issuance of written decisions in student HIB investigations.

The Board approved that procedure be waived to accommodate Cherry Hill High School West's trip to Virginia Beach, Va., May 1-4, 2014.

Strategic Planning

Strategic Planning Committee Chair Seth Klukoff outlined the Board goals:

- Continue to improve student achievement at all grade levels for all students and close achievement gaps where they exist.
- Create a cost-effective budget that provides for educational resources as well as preventive maintenance and ongoing facilities improvement in all schools.
- Enhance communication with and outreach to internal and external stakeholders.
- Enhance relationships with internal stakeholders through effective hiring and retention practices and staff training programs.