



Cherry Hill Board of Education

Notes

Highlights from the January Action Meeting

Board Representative Reports

Lydia George-Koku, Cherry Hill High School East Representative, spoke about student comments regarding school weather closures. She also discussed upcoming events at East, including plans for Black History Month in February and the school musical, Aida, in March. No representatives from Cherry Hill West were present.

Curriculum & Instruction

The Board approved the adoption of the 2013 Cherry Hill Common core curriculum for English Language Arts and adoption of the 2013 Cherry Hill Curriculum for Humanities.

The Board approved texts to support the enactment of 2013 Cherry Hill Common Core Curriculum for English Language Arts. The Board also approved non-public text books for the 2013-2014 school year.

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

The Board approved two out of district student placements for the 2013-2014 school year during the January 2014 cycle. Both are new placements.

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

Business & Facilities

The Board approved the financial reports for November 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 \$14,588,052.85 as well as the bill list dated January 28, 2014, in the amount of \$2,326,762.21.

The Board approved the authorization for the use of Motorola Services as a vendor for radio communication equipment and accessories. The Board approved the authorization of Fairlite Electric Supply Co. as a vendor for electrical equipment and supplies (bulbs). The Board also approved Flinn Scientific as a vendor for scientific equipment, accessories, maintenance and supplies.

The Board approved a resolution that all school bus emergency drills were successfully completed at all schools.

The Board approved a resolution authorizing Cherry Hill High School East to procure items for the Spring Play “Aida” without exceeding a total of \$28,420. The Board approved a resolution authorizing Cherry Hill High School West to procure items for the Spring Play “In the Heights” without exceeding \$41,000.

The Board approved a resolution for authorizing the use of contracts with approved Pennsylvania education purchasing program for microcomputers (PEPPM) vendors, Dell Marketing, LP, and ePlus Technology, Inc.

The Board approved resolutions authorizing the use of contracts with approved Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission (MRESC) Cooperative Pricing System vendors, General Chemical & Supply, Amsan, and Marturano Recreation.

The Board approved Hillman’s Bus Service, Inc., to transport one McKinnery-Vento student on a shuttle from school to home in Voorhees.

The Board approved First Student Bus Service, Inc., to transport one classified student to/from Bankbridge Regional High School, Sewell, NJ.

The Board approved McGough Bus Company, Inc., to transport one classified student to/from Orchard Friends School, Riverton, NJ.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of a change order to be issued to Roger W. Wuestefeld, Inc., Marlton, NJ to issue credit for reduced scope of services at Malberg Alternative High School/Administration Building.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of a change order to be issued to D’Astuto Construction, Bellmawr, NJ, for heating and ventilation system modifications to resolve unforeseen conflicts, provide coating of building foundation for improved weather resistance and modify exterior perimeter storm drainage piping system.

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The Board approved Direct Install Program Contracts with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) for the following facilities:

- Barclay Early Childhood Center
- Barton Elementary School
- Harte Elementary School
- Cooper Elementary School
- Mann Elementary School
- Johnson Elementary School
- Kilmer Elementary School
- Kingston Elementary School
- Malberg Administration and Alternative High School
- Knight Elementary School
- Paine Elementary School
- Sharp Elementary School

The Board accepted a donation from Marto Lawler of one Bach, USA Tenor Trombone, valued at \$900, to Woodcrest Elementary School.

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 second reading and adoption as submitted:

- Draft Policy 3516: Safety
- Draft Policy 3600: Evaluation of Business and Non-Instructional Operations
- Draft Policy 6171.42: Independent Educational Evaluations

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 East's trip to Johns Hopkins University Model United Nations Conference in

Baltimore, MD, February 6-9, 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.