



Cherry Hill Board of Education

Notes

Highlights from the January 2016 Action Meeting

Presentations

Dr. Meloche noted that January was School Board Recognition Month, and thanked the volunteer members of the Cherry Hill Board of Education for their service.

Board Representative Reports

Cherry Hill High School East student representative Drew Meklinsky congratulated the newly sworn in Board members, Dr. Dickinson, Mrs. Judge, Mrs. Scarpellino and Mr. Tomlinson on their positions. He described East’s Freshman Dance in January as “amazing.” Mr. Meklinsky also mentioned East’s recent Lip Sync Battle, resurrected after ending in the early ‘90s – nearly 300 people attended the event. Mr. Meklinsky mentioned East’s a cappella group Stay Tuned’s participation in the television show “Pitch Slapped.” He made note of the upcoming Kaleidoscope concert and Sophomore Cotillion. Mr. Meklinsky also noted that the Mr. East competition was in the planning stages and would be one of the biggest events of the Class of 2016’s senior year. He finished his report by mentioning that East’s Open House for incoming freshman would take place Thursday, January 28, at 7 pm.

Cherry Hill High School West alternate student representative Justin Gick welcomed the new Board members. He then thanked Dr. Meloche for the recent 2-hour delay because of inclement weather. Mr. Gick mentioned that “many exciting things” were happening at West during the month of January, including the East vs. West swim meet, which he thanked Dr. Meloche, Mrs. Judge, Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Papa for attending. He noted that the West boys’ basketball team was doing “awesome.” Mr. Gick also noted that the Lion’s Roar staff was working the Jan/Feb issue of the newspaper, and that West Lab Theater’s *Laramie Project* had been rescheduled for the upcoming weekend. West’s musical theater production, *The Little Mermaid*, he added, had begun rehearsals. Mr. Gick also talked about Congressional candidate Alex Law’s visit to West’s Government class. West also was looking forward to its eighth grade orientation session on January 27, he noted. Mr. Gick said the Rock Your Socks campaign would

continue through the end of January, while the DECA NJ Gold Conference resulted in 80 students advancing to states. Mr. Gick wrapped up his report by noting that West’s new video announcements would begin airing the week of February 1. He thanked the Board for nearing the end of CHEA negotiations.

Curriculum & Instruction

The Board approved special education parent reimbursement agreements.

The Board approved attendance at conferences and workshops for the 2015-2016 school year.

The Board approved non-public technology for the 2015-2016 school year.

The Board approved Comprehensive Equity Plan for the academic years 2016-2019.

The Board approved out of district student placements for the 2015-2016 school year.

The Board approved agreements for the 2015-2016 school year under \$17,500.

The Board approved a resolution authorizing the provision of professional development services by Marcia Kish, DSD, to Politz Day School Personnel.

Business & Facilities

The Board approved the financial reports for November 2015, 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 \$13,635,161.09, as well as the bill list dated January 26, 2016 in the amount of \$2,261,584.15 as submitted.

The Board approved resolutions for Spring Play expenses at High School East and High School West.

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Business & Facilities

The Board approved a resolution authorizing a professional service agreement with TTI, Inc. for Provision of Environmental Services – Malberg Building.

The Board a resolution for the award of transportation to Hillman’s Bus Service for 4 McKinney-Vento students residing in Pine Hill, NJ and Voorhees, NJ to/from Carusi Middle School, Kingston Elementary School and the Alternative High School.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of transportation to Holcomb Bus Service, Inc., to transport 2 classified students at Beck Middle School on a shuttle from school to home.

The Board ratified prior administrative approval for Oaks Integrated Care to provide transportation with a Jointure Contract for one classified Cherry Hill student residing at a residential facility in Hammonton, NJ to/from Cherry Hill High School East.

The Board ratified prior administrative approval for Holcomb Bus Service, Inc. to transport one McKinney-Vento student residing in Camden, NJ to/from Cherry Hill High School East.

The Board ratified prior administrative approval for Holcomb Bus Service, Inc. to transport one McKinney-Vento student residing in Beverly, NJ to/from Cherry Hill High School East.

The Board ratified prior administrative approval for Holcomb Bus Service, Inc. to transport one McKinney-Vento student residing in Deptford, NJ to/from Cherry Hill High School East.

The Board approved a resolution to amend the Cherry Hill Board of Education 403(b) Retirement Plan.

The Board approved a contract with Express Scripts, Inc.

The Board accepted the following donations:

A monetary donation for a grant from Sustainable Jersey for Schools to Carusi Middle School: \$5,000.

A monetary donation for a grant from Sustainable Jersey for Schools to Mann Elementary School: \$2,000.

A monetary donation for a grant from Sustainable Jersey for Schools to Sharp Elementary School: \$2,000.

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, flex option presenters and other compensation.

Policies & Legislation Committee

The Board approved revised policies for first reading.

The Board approved a new policy, 5756 “Transgender Students,” for first reading.

The Board approved Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying Investigation Decisions.

Strategic Planning

No items.

The official minutes of the December 2015 Board of Education Meeting will be posted on the district web site following their approval at the January 2016 Action Meeting. For more information, contact the Public Information Office at publicinfo@chclc.org or (856) 429-5600.