



Cherry Hill Board of Education

Notes

Highlights from the February 2017 Action Meeting

Board Representative Reports

Cherry Hill High School West Alternate Representative Abby Spencer reported on the successful production of the Lab Theater's Complete Works of Shakespeare Abridged and described it as "hilarious." She noted that West's Spring Musical, *Sister Act*, was less than one month away from opening. Ms. Spencer said West's Festival Concert a week earlier had gone well, and that students were looking forward to the annual Broadway Night performances coming up as well. She noted that the boys swim team was in its first round of playoffs, while the girls team was in its second round. Ms. Spencer recounted the exciting and funny basketball game of students vs. teachers, which the students won by one point. She mentioned the upcoming Deborah Heart Challenge and the fact that DECA had several national qualifiers after the regional competition. Ms. Spencer closed her presentation by noting that students were now preparing for the spring sports season.

Kaitlyn Boyle, Cherry Hill High School East Representative, reported that the school's Spring Musical, *Ragtime*, was "moving along well." She noted the East orchestra had been very busy with a Kennedy Center performance on Presidents' Day Weekend and had since set its focus on pit rehearsals for *Ragtime* and *Dancing with the Cherry Hill Stars*. Ms. Boyle said that Cherry Hill East DECA had 40 students going to nationals in April. She also mentioned the State Robotics Championship to be held at East on March 4. Also upcoming, she noted, were the Science Olympiad, blood drive, and Senior Trip to Orlando, FL. Ms. Boyle said the Interact Club was busy raising money for the Animal Welfare Association and was volunteering there as well. She added that East would be holding an art fundraiser for charity. Ms. Boyle spoke about the Science National

Honor Society's outreach to the elementary schools and the positive feedback the group had received from elementary students. In sports, she noted, the boys basketball team had won their first playoff game, while the girls team had made it to finals. The East bowling team was in fourth place. In swimming, she added, the girls team had made it state finals and the boys team had won state finals.

Curriculum & Instruction

The Board approved out of district student placements for the 2016-2017 school year.

The Board approved first reading of the following revised policies:

- Draft Policy 1140: Affirmative Action Program
- Draft Policy 1523: Comprehensive Equity Plan
- Draft Policy 2200: Curriculum Content
- Draft Policy 2260: Affirmative Action Program for School and Classroom Practices
- Draft Policy 2340: Field Trips
- Draft Policy 2411: Guidance Counseling
- Draft Policy 2431: Athletic Competition
- Draft Policy 5339: Screening for Dyslexia
- Draft Policy 5350: Student Suicide Prevention
- Draft Policy 5750: Equal Educational Opportunity
- Draft Policy 5755: Equity in Educational Programs and Services

The Board approved Non-Public School Textbooks for the 2016-2017 school year.

The Board approved attendance at conferences and workshops for the 2016-2017 school year.

The Board approved Agreements for 2016-2017 School Year-\$17,500 and under.

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Business & Facilities

The Board approved the financial reports for December 2016, 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 \$11,091,696.21, as well as the bill list dated February 28, 2017 in the amount of \$557,065.85 and the second bill list dated February 28, 2017 in the amount of \$2,223,307.95.

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

The Board approved multiple awards for transportation of out-of-district, McKinney-Vento and DCP&P students, as listed on the Board agenda.

The Board approved the acceptance of donations:

A monetary donation from the Cherry Hill Education Foundation (CHEF) to Cherry Hill High School West for Project Graduation: \$1,000.

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A monetary donation from Advocare Orthopedic Associates to Cherry Hill High School East for the DiBart Gym Sound System: \$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, and other compensation.

The Board approved the first reading of the following revised policies:

- 1220 Employment of Chief School Administrator
- 1310 Employment of School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- 1530 Equal Employment Opportunities
- 1550 Affirmative Action Program for Employment and Contract Practices
- 3111 Creating Position
- 3124 Employment Contract
- 3125 Employment of Teaching Staff Members
- 3125.2 Employment of Substitute Teachers
- 3126 District Mentoring Program
- 3141 Resignation
- 3144 Certification of Tenure Charges
- 3159 Teaching Staff Member/School District Reporting Responsibilities
- 3212 Attendance (Teaching Staff)
- 3231 Outside Employment as Athletic Coach
- 3240 Professional Development for Teachers and School Leaders
- 3431 Uncompensated Leave (Teaching Staff)
- 3432 Sick Leave (Teaching Staff)
- 3436 Personal Leave (Teaching Staff)
- 4159 Support Staff Member/School District Reporting Responsibilities
- 4212 Attendance (Support Staff)
- 4431 Uncompensated Leave (Support Staff)
- 4432 Sick Leave (Support Staff)
- 4436 Personal Leave (Support Staff)
- 9541 Student Teachers/Interns

Policies & Legislation Committee

The Board approved the second reading of Revised Policies:

- Draft Policy and related Regulation 2423: Bilingual and ESL Education
- Draft Policy 5337: Service Animals

The Board approved the first reading of Revised Policy Draft Policy 0168: Recording Board Meetings.

The Board approved Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying Investigation Decisions.

Strategic Planning

No items.