MT. LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT 7 HORSMAN DRIVE PITTSBURGH PA 15228

DISCUSSION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2016 MT. LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL, ROOM D205 7:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Action Items for January 18, 2016, Board Meeting
 - A. Financial Items
 - 1. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> The Treasurer's Report reflects cash transactions for the month of December, 2015. The transactions are typical for this time of year. The Superintendent recommends approval of the report.
 - 2. <u>Monthly List of Bills</u> The monthly list of bills reflects checks authorized to be drawn between December 10 and 31, 2015. The checks have been reviewed by the administration and are typical for this time of year. The Superintendent recommends approval of the list for payment.
 - 3. <u>List of Tax Refunds</u> The list of tax refunds totals \$25,990.63 for 20 properties. The list has been reviewed by the Solicitor's office which recommends approval. The Superintendent recommends approval of the list for payment.
 - 4. <u>School Supplies and Equipment Solicitation</u> Annually, the Board must approve the District's solicitation for bids on school supplies and equipment for the upcoming school year. Bids will be presented for Board approval at the May Board meeting pending approval of the Budget and verification that bids are within budgeted sums. The Superintendent recommends approval of this action.
 - 5. <u>Preliminary Budget</u> Act 1 of 2006 requires school districts to approve a preliminary budget within a timeline which allows for submission to the Department of Education for applicable exceptions to the Index in order to preserve a board's right to apply for such exceptions. In order to apply for applicable exceptions, the preliminary budget must exceed funding available by raising taxes to the limit available by the Index, a 2.4% increase in 2016-17. A budget which meets that criteria was made available for public view after the December Board meeting and will be presented for approval next week. Approval at this time will not require the Board to approve a final budget in May at the preliminary millage rate. The final budget will be prepared as better information on funding levels and school costs are known. The Superintendent recommends approval of this legally required budget in the form presented.

B. <u>Personnel Items</u>

- 1. <u>Personnel Report</u> The Personnel Report details personnel appointments, changes in assignments, leaves of absences, resignations, and retirements to be considered by the Board. The Superintendent recommends approval of this report.
- C. <u>Other</u>
 - 1. <u>Approval of 2016-2017 School Calendar</u> Enclosed is the proposed 2016-2017 school calendar. The Superintendent recommends approval of this calendar.
 - 2. <u>Extension of Electricity Agreement</u> In order to save money on electricity in all our buildings, we have partnered with the AIU, Western Pennsylvania Electric Consortium to lock in low rates. With rates now almost as low as was available when we approved them last year, we want to be able to extend the agreement at or below those rates for a year beyond our current agreement end date of January 2018. The Board is asked to approve an extension if these low rates can be met. If the rates do not fall to that level, the agreement will not be extended for the additional year. The Superintendent recommends approval of this action.
 - 3. <u>PlanCon I Submission</u> Monthly, the Board is asked to approve change orders to the High School Renovation Project for submission to the Department of Education as part of the PlanCon process. A submission is presented as prepared by our architects as required and is recommended for approval.
 - 4. <u>Student Trip</u> The Model UN Team is requesting approval to go to Washington, DC and Arlington, VA to attend a national conference at George Washington University from March 31 to April 3, 2016 with the District and students each paying a portion of the costs. The Superintendent recommends approval of this trip.
 - <u>Change Orders for High School Renovation Project</u> Change orders for December total \$688 from the Capital Budget for the following contractor:
 a. GC-122-297 to Nello for \$668 for window sill work. The Superintendent recommends approval of these changes.
- V. Questions or Comments from Residents Presentations or comments are to be limited to five (5) minutes.

VI. Upcoming Public Meetings

January 18, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.	Board Regular Meeting Room D2015, Mt. Lebanon High School
February 8, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.	Construction Update Room D2015, Mt. Lebanon High School
February 8, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.	Board Discussion Meeting Room D2015, Mt. Lebanon High School

February 22, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.

Board Regular Meeting Room D2015, Mt. Lebanon High School

VII. Adjournment

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