

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 10, 2020
Administration Building Board Room

PRESENT:

Committee: Mr. Matthew Bilker

Board: Mr. Nick Reynolds, Mrs. Desiree Tomasco, Mr. Nicholas Siano, Mrs. Barbara Harvey, Mr. John McKenzie, Mr. Joseph Driscoll

Administration: Dr. Tina Kane, Dr. Constance Bompadre, Mr. Jake Gallagher, Mr. Chris Lee, Dr. Dorie Pitone, Ms. Tina Stiles

I. Call to Order

Mr. Bilker led the meeting on behalf of Mr. DeNucci. The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was done prior to the Budget and Operations Meetings this evening.

III. Approval of Minutes

The February 25, 2020 minutes were approved by the committee.

IV. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

V. Discussion/Informational Items

A. Wellness: Process and Policies – Dr. Constance Bompadre

Dr. Bompadre presented on district Wellness: Initiatives and Policies. A district Wellness Committee was formed to review and modify policies related to the well-being of students. Every three years, districts must have a wellness committee meet to review all aspects related to student wellness. The committee completed a PDE assessment checklist to make sure they addressed all necessary components of student wellness. Recommendations for policy revisions were submitted to the solicitor's office for review, and modifications were presented to the school board. The first readings of the policies were posted to the district's website for public review.

A motion to approve the first reading of the following policies was presented to the Board: #246 School Wellness, #333 Professional Development, #805 Emergency Management and #808 Food Services. Minor changes are noted in green and/or strikeouts on the policies in your folders. There is a motion to approve the review of Policy #209.2 Diabetes Management and #220 Student Expression/Distribution & Posting of Materials as presented.

Dr. Bompadre shared documents that outline how the district supports student wellness. Wellness reports by school were posted to the website. Details on nutrition promotion and nutrition education was provided for the public. Marple Newtown School District provides developmentally appropriate instruction on nutrition by grade levels. Students learn the value of healthy eating and food choices. Chartwell coordinates our food services to meet state standards. They keep families informed of food ingredients offered and nutritional information. Curricular components in the health and physical education courses were outlined by level. Healthy environment in the MNSD was summarized for the board and public.

The district as a whole participates in wellness professional development activities including safe schools, training in trauma, threat assessments, CPR, Race for a Cure, BMI screenings and Stop the Bleed.

Dr. Bompadre thanked the committee for their time and dedication to the well-being of our students and thanked Dr. Kane for her efforts updating the district during the recent flu season.

VI. Motions:

All motions will be moved along to the Board Meeting.

March 2020 CIT Motions

Policies:

A. Motion to approve the first reading of the following policies:

246 School Wellness

333 Professional Development

805 Emergency Management

808 Food Services

B. Motion to approve the review of the following policies:

209.2 Diabetes Management

220 Student Expression/Distribution & Posting of Materials

Administrative Conferences:

C. Motion to approve Mr. Barry Williams, Director of Safety, to travel to the School Safety & Security Coordinator Workshop in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on April 2, 2020. The cost of the workshop is \$190.00. The cost of transportation is \$125.00. The total cost to the district is \$315.00.

D. Motion to approve Dr. Dorie Martin-Pitone to attend the Pennsylvania Federal Program Coordinators Conference in Champion, Pennsylvania on May 3-6, 2020. The cost of the conference is \$360.00. The cost of lodging is \$765.00. The cost of transportation is \$277.24. The total cost to the district is \$1,042.24.

Teacher Conferences:

E. Motion to approve Mrs. Laura Quackenbush, teacher, to attend the Pennsylvania Music Education Association (PMEA) Conference at the Kalahari Conference Center in Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania on April 23-25, 2020. The cost of conference is \$165.00. The cost of transportation and lodging will be covered by Mrs. Quackenbush. The total cost to the district is \$165.00.

Athletic Trips:

F. Motion to approve Ms. Kimberly Foster, coach, to accompany the High School Cheerleading Team to travel to the State Capitol in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on March 25, 2020. Senator Kearney would like to present a citation to the girls on the capitol floor to honor their winning of the Nationals in Florida. The cost of transportation is \$525.00. The total cost to the district is \$525.00.

Student Trips:

G. Motion to approve Mrs. Jennifer Finley and Mr. Robert Specca, teachers, to accompany 34 high school students taking the Wildlife Conservation Course to travel to Ashland Nature Center in Hockessin, Delaware on April 16, 2020. The cost of the activity is \$15.00 per student paid by the students. The cost of transportation

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Clubs:

H. Motion to approve the Tri-M Music Honor Society Club at the high school. The purpose of the club is to provide an appropriate method for recognizing the musical achievements of our members and to strengthen the schools music program. The club advisor is Mr. Jake Olimpi.

I. Motion to approve the MN Kindness Club at the high school. The purpose of the club is to encourage caring between students with other students and those in the community. The club advisor is Ms. Chris Miehle.

Donations:

J. Motion to approve a donation of \$500.00 from the Tiger Foundation to the Marple Newtown FTC Robotics Team.

Technology:

K. Motion to approve the lease agreement with HP Financial for computers at Paxon Hollow Middle School.

Public Comment

A parent commented she was pleased with the donation given to Marple Newtown FTC Robotics Team and hopes this trend continues.

A second parent commented that she would like to see meetings live on website.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Vannicola
Curriculum Secretary