MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
Newtown Square, Pennsylvania
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
September 8, 2020
Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

Present

Board: Mrs. Alberti, Mr. Bilker, Mrs. Chandless, Mr. Dezzi, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Siano, Mrs. Tomasco, Mr. Reynolds

Administration: Dr. Tina Kane, Dr. Connie Bompadre, Mr. Joseph Driscoll, Mr. Jim Orwig, Mr. Jake Gallagher, Dr. Dorie Martin-Pitone, Dr. Heather Logue

Press: 0

Audience: 7

Mr. Reynolds called the meeting to order at 6:39 PM and stood on the Pledge from the previous meeting

1. Additions to Agenda

   There was none

2. Approval of Minutes

   Mr. Reynolds asked for the minutes to be approved

   With no further discussion minutes for August were approved

3. Informational/Discussion Items

   Informational:
   High school roof and chiller installation project.

   Mr. Gallagher shared that the project should be completed by the end of October

   Lower Fields turf renovation project.

   Mr. Gallagher shared that there will be a meeting with the residence of Dunwoody. Will be presenting the Land Development to the Township tomorrow. Will go out to bid soon.

   Paxon Hollow chiller update.

   Mr. Gallagher shared that this unit is 21 years old. Hard to find parts to fix.

4. Transportation
   Informational:

Non-Pub and Out-of-district Placements: Currently, we have received bussing requesting from 110 schools, however, many of these schools are closed until October 9. The number of schools and varied school attendance schedules continues to change by the hour.

Below is a brief summary regarding the current status transporting both students with special needs and non-public students:

Week of August 17: (only students with special needs being transported)
# of buses on the road = 8
# of students being transported = 9

Week of August 24:
# of buses on the road = 44
# of students being transported = 64

Week of September 7:
# of buses on the road = 45
# of students being transported = 310

5. Other Business

   There was none

6. Public Comment

   A community member spoke regarding sports and starting the season. His points were
   - 85% of PA are participating in fall sports
   - State of Michegan and Delaware have more
   - PIAA is 5% that test positive
   - Chester County Health is 3%
   - Marple Newtown falls below the 5% guideline
   - In order to have a season we must start practicing on the September 14th

   There was a brief discussion regarding the following:
   - Never opted out as a Board
   - Central League never came to us
   - What data was used by the Central League
   - What other School Districts are looking for a different solution
   - Other schools are will to go out of the Central League in order to play
   - There other leagues to join
   - Questions with Title 9 regulations, yes all sports have to have the same options
   - Concerns: Coaches contracts, having bus drivers to transport the athletes
   - Questions for the solicitor
   - Can we get back in the league if we leave
   - PIAA had a meeting schedule for September 11th, moved to September 22nd

7. Adjournment

   Mr. Reynolds adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.