

If you did not have a chance to attend the Board of Education Workshop Meeting held on Tuesday, March 31st, here is what you missed:

During this meeting the Board of Education (BOE) and Central Administration was joined by more than a dozen 5th graders from the Samsel Upper Elementary School (SUES) as part of the annual “Let the Children Lead” program. During this very popular and unique activity, the 5th grade students who participated actually applied to perform in the capacity of a specific board of education member or administrator. Thus, except for a few occasions, the 5th grade representatives for each, including Ms. Maher, Principal of SUES and Mr. Nurnberger, Assistant Principal of SUES, voted and commented publicly on behalf of the BOE member or administrator that they represented.

During the presentation portion of the meeting, the representative for Dr. Labbe began the meeting by summarizing his experience earlier in the month taking the PARCC assessment and then invited each of his classmates to share their experience. Likewise, he also provided his input on this year’s Read Across America activities that took place at Samsel and once again invited his peers to share their comments.

If you would like to see the meeting and each of the above mentioned PowerPoint presentations, please click [here](#).

The Board then moved action items from the Superintendent’s Report onto the Board Agenda.

Among other motions, on the Vision 2030 Finance and Infrastructure portion of the agenda, the Board approved several Non-Public contracts with the MRESC effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2025. Additionally, the BOE approved facility usage fees for the remainder of the 2014-2015 School Year. Lastly, the BOE approved the purchase of a 2016 Thomas 051MS 24 Passenger Bus under Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission award for Bus Bid #Trans13-04 in the amount of \$52,558.67; several building permits, including two for the use of the Eisenhower Field for a fee in accordance with the above mentioned fee schedule; and several out of district school tuition contracts for several students, including two at the MRESC Interim Alternative Program.

On the Vision 2030 Student Achievement portion of the agenda the Board approved the admission of a kindergarten student to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary School. Additionally, the BOE approved several co-curricular student activities.

On the Vision 2030 Personnel portion of the agenda, as well as other motions, the Board of Education accepted the retirement of Alexis Poplowski, School Bus Driver for the District. In addition the Board accepted the resignation of Lauren Schlogl, Grade 1 Teacher at Arleth Elementary School. It also approved several leaves of absence and professional days. Finally, the BOE approved the appointment of several certified and non-certified staff members, as well as certified and non-certified substitutes.

The next meeting will be business meeting. It will be held on Tuesday, April 21st. During this meeting Dr. Labbe will share his proposed 2014-17 Curriculum and Instruction Strategic Action

Plan. In addition, the Board will vote on new starting and ending times for the high school, middle school, and elementary schools for the 2015-16 school year.

If you would like to see the agenda for this meeting, please visit the BOE Agenda page on our website. In addition, a complete copy of these minutes will be posted on the BOE Meeting Minutes page of the website once they are approved by the BOE during the next Agenda/Business Meeting on April 21, 2015.