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Talk Sup Week 20 Review and Preview

January 22, 2018

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a relaxing weekend and enjoyed the mild temperatures. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup Week Review and Preview*.



If you did not have a chance to attend the Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting held on Tuesday, January 16th, here is what you missed. Ms. Hill, the District Business Administrator and Board Secretary, began by introducing the auditor of record for the BOE from Samuel Klein & Company, who reviewed the [2016-17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report \(CAFR\)](#) and [Auditor's Report](#) and noted that it contained no recommendations for corrective action. Click on each report to view them. After that, I introduced, and reviewed with the Board the [2017-18 School District Goals](#), which they would approve later in the meeting. However, after doing such, Mr. Biesiada and the Board requested that another School Culture and Climate goal be included to address the increase in harassment, intimidation, and bullying (HIB) incidents. Click on the goals to see them. Thus, the Board will be asked to approve a revision of those goals during the upcoming February 7th BOE Workshop Meeting.

The Board then moved the action items from the Superintendent's Report onto the Board Agenda and approved them all. To see the Agenda click [here](#). To see the Agenda Addendum click [here](#). Among other motions, on the Vision 2030 Finance and Infrastructure portion of the agenda, the Board approved the above mentioned Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the 2016-17 school year. In addition, it approved the submission of an amended application for funding under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) in the total amount of \$1,535,827 for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Furthermore, on the Student Achievement portion of the agenda, the Board approved of students from Sayreville Middle School (SMS) and Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) to participate in the 2017-18 Middlesex County Arts Middle and High School Programs. It also approved co-curricular activities, including but not limited to the **revised** Arleth School Science Family Fun Night on Friday, February 9, 2018 and the Project Before Unified Sports Soccer Game to be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2018. On the Governance portion of the agenda, the BOE approved the revised Teamsters Local 469 Holiday Schedule for the 2017-2018 school year and the aforementioned 2017-18 School District Goals.

Finally, on the Personnel portion of the agenda, as well as other motions, the Board of Education appointed new certificated and non-certificated staff for the 2017-18 school year. Additionally, it approved the salary adjustments for the certificated and non-certificated members of the Sayreville Education Association, including replacement teachers, for the period from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020, effective July 1, 2017. Similarly, the BOE also approved the salary adjustments for the Confidential Secretaries and non-certificated personnel not in a collective bargaining unit for the 2017-18 school year, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. To see all the salary adjustment attachments, click [here](#).

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During the public comment portion of the meeting, a community member commented on the monthly HIB report and expressed that parents need to be better educated about HIB, particularly the parents of perpetrators. She also agreed with Mr. Biesiada that the district should be doing more to better educate the students on it.

During open discussion, Mr. Esposito reviewed what was discussed during the last BOE Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting, as did Mr. Callahan with regard to the last BOE Personnel Committee Meeting. Mrs. Batko questioned Mr. Ciak and commented about the manner in which BOE members were assigned to committees this year. Likewise, Mr. Balka requested to be removed from a committee due to a conflict of interest. After that, the Board reviewed and discussed all supply (600) expenditures budgeted in the proposed 2018-19 School District Budget. To see them, click [here](#).

If you would like to view the meeting PowerPoint presentation, click [here](#). Likewise, to see the video of this meeting, click [here](#).

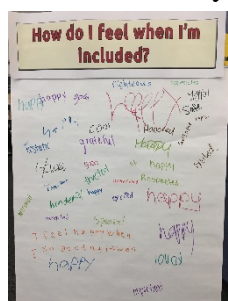
The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, February 7th**. Since it will be a Budget Workshop Meeting, it will feature budget presentations by the principal of each school, as well as other administrators in the following areas: Technology, Curriculum & Instruction, Special Education and Athletics & Co-Curricular. If you would like to see the agenda for this meeting, it will be posted in the evening on our website on Friday, February 2nd. In addition, a complete copy of the **January 16th** meeting minutes will be posted on the BOE Meeting Minutes page of the website once they are approved by the BOE during the next BOE Meeting on **February 7, 2018**.



While I was unable to attend, last week several staff members led by Dr. Cynthia DeFina, Supervisor of Special Education, Marcus Ivy, SWMHS Physical Education Teacher, and Melissa Ciampa, SMS Special Education Teacher, accompanied over twenty students from SWMHS and SMS on a trip to the Unified Sports Winter Shore Youth Summit. If you are not aware of what Unified Sports are, it is a program which brings youths with and without intellectual disabilities together through education and sports to create school communities of acceptance and respect. During this Summit the

students shared their feelings on inclusion and exclusions, as well as ways to accept others more. In addition, our Sayreville students worked together with their peers from Old Bridge on ideas about games,

fundraising, and activities for a club. In fact, they not only developed posters to promote Unified Sports, they also shared the steps that they would need to take in order to make their ideas become a reality. According to Dr. DeFina, it was moving to hear our students share their accounts of how Unified Sports has changed their lives - creating friendships that they never would have previously had the opportunity to make. We congratulate and commend all of our students and staff members who have made the Sayreville Unified Sports program such a hallmark of our district.



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As they do each week, our remarkable students at SWMHS continued to impress everyone with their amazing accomplishments. The SWMHS Wrestling Team continued their dominance of the Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) with an impressive win over South River High School and increased their record to 14-4.



Furthermore, Melissa Yataco, from the SWMHS Girls Bowling Team advanced to the GMC Individual Finals, which will take place **this afternoon at Majestic Lanes**. In addition, the



Boys and Girls Swimming Teams defeated Bishop Ahr last Wednesday, the Boys and Girls Track Teams continued to demonstrate their incredible athletic ability as evidenced by impressive placements in several events at last Thursday's NJ State Relays Meet, and both the Boys and Girls



Basketball Teams had impressive wins over John F. Kennedy and North Brunswick High Schools last Tuesday and Thursday.

Our winter sports teams will be back in action this week. This weekend our Competition Cheerleading Squad will compete in a tournament. The Wrestling Team will grapple on Friday and Saturday. The Boys Basketball Team will play away at Colonia High School on Tuesday, home on Thursday against Edison High School, and away against J.P Stevens High School on Saturday. Similarly, the Girls Basketball Team will play at home against Colonia High School on Tuesday, away at South Plainfield High School on Thursday, and at Old Bridge High School on Saturday. Finally, the Girls and Boys Swim Teams will be back in the pool on Friday afternoon; the Boys and Girls Bowling Teams will bowl **today in the GMC Individual Finals**, on Tuesday against Perth Amboy High School and on Wednesday against New Brunswick High School; and the Boys and Girls Winter Track Teams will compete in meets on Tuesday and Thursday. Go Bombers!

As you will note from the January Head of the Class Calendar, we will have an **early dismissal for students today (Monday, January 22nd)** so that our faculty can participate in professional development. In addition, this Saturday, January 20, 2018 the SWMHS Band will host the CJMEA Honors Symphonic Band Concert beginning at 8:00pm. If you have the time, please come out and support many of our student musicians in this amazing musical performance. In addition, at 6:30 pm on Monday, January 29th Parents of Autistic Children (POAC), in conjunction with Sayreville University, Sayreville PROUD, and our Special Services Department, will present a workshop in the Samsel Upper Elementary School Cafeteria to parents and staff entitled Hidden Dangers – Keeping Children and Adults with Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities Safe in the Community, School, and Home. It will provide concrete suggestions and strategies that can be applied immediately to increase safety and decrease risk at home, in the classroom, and in the community.

Have a wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe

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