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December 14, 2022

A summary of the Board of Education Meeting

Board Members: Debra Sheinin, President; Cheryl May, Vice President; Judy Menashe, Francois Tenenbaum, Shari L. Amitrano, Jonathan D. Altus, Chana Jeter

PUBLIC HEARING

Mrs. Donnelly presented information on the increased exemption for qualified senior citizens and persons with disabilities and limited income. The presentation can be found HERE.

BUDGET MEETING

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the 2023-2024 additions and considerations to date, the budget timeline, health insurance rates for 23-24, and the rollover budget. The Board discussed an appropriate budget increase and tax levy. Please click HERE for Mrs. Donnelly's presentation.

WORK MEETING

The work meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

The treasurer's report was presented by Mrs. Donnelly. There were no questions.

Dr. Brian Terry gave a physics update. He explained the reason for the proposed physics changes to the High School Course Catalog. The presentation can be found HERE. A discussion took place about the pathways to physics for high school students and if the proposed changes place them at a disadvantage. Questions were also asked regarding how the changes would impact transcripts for college acceptance. The Board agreed that the changes should not be implemented at this time.

Mr. Viegas gave a Health, Physical Education and Athletics update. You can view the presentation HERE. Mr. Viegas explained there had been COVID-19 issues and supply issues, but participation numbers are trending upward. There is currently 20% participation in athletics. Mr. Viegas also highlighted recent achievements. There are new standards for Health and Physical Education and Mr. Viegas is working with teachers to make sure the standards are met. Board members asked questions about supply chain, insurance requirements, cardiac arrest program, and the summer sports clinics.

Mr. DiBartolo gave a Transportation update. The presentation can be found HERE. In 2021, Mr. DiBartolo met with non-public schools. The driver shortage is still a large problem that is not going away. The planning for transportation begins in February. The routes are finalized and

efforts are made to improve service to families. A question was asked about cameras on the buses. Both our bus companies are supportive of it, but since the program was only rolled out this year they are waiting to see how it works.

Mrs. Donnelly gave a presentation on Capital Projects Planning. The presentation can be found HERE. She spoke about the building condition survey that is due in 2023. A question was asked about the masonry at FECC. This issue will be addressed. Following that, Mrs. Donnelly gave a presentation on the Five Year Reserve Fund Management Plan. The presentation can be found HERE.

Dr. Marino gave a presentation on the proposed Capital Projects for May 2023. The presentation can be found HERE. Dr. Marino explained that he would be giving this presentation to the community at three forums in the new year. A postcard will go out to the community with the dates and locations. Many hours were spent working on what type of proposed projects to present to the voters in May 2023. The board members commented on adding no cost to voters and no budget increase to the beginning of the presentation. Additionally, they'd like to have a list of work from the established reserves added. The Athletic Repair Reserve is not connected to the May 2023 ballot, but the District will hold a public hearing in June.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the following reports: Budget Status, Revenue Status, Extraclassroom, Use of Cellular Phones and Electronic Equipment.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the Low-Income Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities Exemption resolution.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed the Schedule of Contracts, Transfers of Appropriation, and Application for Club Charters.

Mrs. Donnelly reviewed an Addendum to Agreement for Athletic Training Services.

Mrs. Kavanagh reviewed the School Safety and Educational Climate Data Report, formerly known as VADIR. The report can be found HERE.

Mrs. Kavanagh reviewed the Schedule of Conferences and Travel; Dr. Fund will travel to the All Eastern Music Festival in Rochester in April 2023.

Dr. Marino reviewed the following policies for final review: Policy #2410 Policy Development, Adoption, Implementation and Evaluation, Policy #2422 Job Descriptions, Policy #2450 Policy Dissemination, Policy #6640 Inventories, Policy #8414 School Bus Safety. The word implement should be removed from the first sentence. It does not need to go back to the committee.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 7:30 PM, Hewlett Elementary School, Tour of Facility

Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 8:00 PM, Hewlett Elementary School, Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2023, 6:30 PM, Woodmere Education Center, Budget Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2023, 7:30 PM, Woodmere Education Center, Work Meeting

Wednesday, January 18, 2023, 7:30 PM, Ogden Elementary School, Tour of Facility

Wednesday, January 18, 2023, 8:00 PM, Ogden Elementary School, Regular Meeting

NOTE: Click HERE for the agenda and supporting documentation for the December 14 Work Meeting.