

LEGISLATIVE BOARD
MEETING

The Legislative Board meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Cheltenham Township was held on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 7:45 p.m. in the Administration Building, 2000 Ashbourne Road, Elkins Park, PA. The meeting was called to order by President: Mr. England. Those present were: Mr. Cohen, Mr. Fishbein, Mr. Malloy, Ms. McWilliams, Mr. Nelson, Ms. Haywood, Mr. Rackow, Mr. England, Dr. Marseille-Superintendent, Ms. Michaels-Business Manager, Mr. Roos-Solicitor, and Mrs. Mance -Secretary.

Those absent were:

Mrs. Stephanie Gray – Vice President
Dr. Tamara Smith–Assistant Superintendent
Beverly Gallagher, Director of Special Education

The following members of the staff were present:

Christopher Barone, Director of Technology
Ray Bavi, Director of Facilities and Maintenance
Charlene Collins, Director of Secondary Education
Lynn David, Director of Human Resources
Cheryl Horsey, Director of Student Services
Tim McCleary, Supervisor of Technology
Susan O’Grady, Director of Communications
Iris Parker, Director of Elementary Education

RECOGNITIONS

There were 9 signatures in the guest register.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eve Glazier and Amina Johnson.

The Cheltenham High School Jazz band performed for the Board.

Ms. Parker presented the Glenside Elementary Distinguished Title I recognition to the Board.

Sue Oswald, Jeannette Hood, Liz Barton, Sarah Putterman, Stacy Cherwony, Mark Cohen, Sheri Jones, Kent Jones, Kay Queenan, Tanya Mershon, Dan Gaffin, Deb Gaffin, and Warren Schmidt were recognized as the Cheltenham High Schools’ Cheers for Volunteers. Each volunteer received a Certificate of Acknowledgement from the Board.

Dr. McFall acknowledged the artwork from Cheltenham High School displayed in the Administration Building.

SUPERINTENDENT’S
REPORT

Dr. Marseille gave his Superintendent’s report by announcing the following: CSD community members are cordially invited to attend a very special event in honor of Black History Month. A districtwide program, “Everybody’s Story, Everybody’s History,” honors the achievements and contributions of African Americans that shape us all as a nation. Come enjoy a wonderful sampling of specialty merchandise and food vendors and celebratory performances from all seven of our schools. The location: Cheltenham High School; Date: Wednesday, February 22nd and Time: 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM.

Wonderful Black History Month celebrations have been taking place across our district this month. From book fairs, to guest artists, to theatrical experiences, our students and staff are paying tribute in special ways. Dr. Marseille invited all to visit the district’s website and social media pages to learn about our full spectrum of Black History Month celebrations. Dr. Marseille thanked everyone who came out for our recent community potluck and recognize our parent organizations who put the event together. Thank you to CAAA, SEAC, UPG, CSDF and all of our supporting PTO’s. The evening, which was filled with delicious food, terrific music, beautiful photography, and a special collection of books from diverse authors, was a wonderful example of why so many CHOOSE CHELTENHAM.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT
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Dr. Marseille encouraged everyone to visit DENISE ALLEN'S "I CHOOSE CHELTENHAM" ART GALLERY which is coming to COSI, Elkins Park. Be sure to stop by COSI, Elkins Park on Friday, February 24TH to see Ms. Denise Allen's photographic celebration of Cheltenham School District families. Proceeds from Cosi purchases made on the 24th go directly to the Cheltenham School District Education Foundation! If you can't make it on the 24th, Ms. Allen's art exhibit can be viewed at COSI until the end of March. Dr. Marseille also announced that the PSEA Art Show in which several CHS student's artwork is on display at Arcadia will remain on display until March.

Dr. Marseille extended congratulations to CHS Seniors, Cooper Schwartz and William Christensen, for being 2 of 4,000 candidates in the running for the 2017 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program. Cooper and William were selected from nearly 3.5 million graduating seniors nationwide. Cooper and William will be recognized next month at our March School Board Meeting.

Thirty of our students will experience the different facets of local government this Friday when they tour our Township offices and meet officials and representatives from several different agencies. Student visits will include stops at the Ogontz Fire Company, Cheltenham Police Department, Township Court, Emergency Operation Center, and Commissioner's Board room. Cedarbrook student, Rashaan West, will even buddy up with Commissioner Drew Sharkey to learn the ropes of his job before being named Honorary Commissioner for the Day

Dr. Marseille also extended congratulations to all of our students who took part in Elkins Park School's 6th Annual Science Fair on February 8th. This year 350 students presented complex projects on such topics from, "Does listening to music actually help you do homework better?" to "What liquids will freeze the fastest? He also invited everyone to join CBK Theatre on March 2, 3, and 4 in Cheltenham High School's Stretton Hall for their 2017 Spring Musical - SISTER ACT. Tickets are on sale now through the school district's electronic payment system.

Finally, Dr. Marseille informed the public about the agenda for the professional development day on Friday, February 17th. In the morning Dr. Howard Stevenson, Professor of Urban Education at the University of Pennsylvania, will speak on diversity and racial literacy, with faculty engaging in breakout sessions after the presentation. In the afternoon, faculty will connect with their year-long professional learning groups that align with our strategic plan. As a reminder, there is no school for students on Friday, February 17th, and the District is closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of Presidents Day.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Roos did not have a report.

SUNSHINE
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Roos stated that the sunshine announcements are as listed on the agenda:

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

Executive Session

Thursday, January 12, 2017

Personnel Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 17, 2017

Educational Affairs Meeting

Executive Session

Thursday, January 26, 2017

Policy Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 31, 2017

Special Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 7, 2017

Executive Session

Agenda Build

Immediately followed by Facilities Committee Meeting

Immediately followed by Financial Affairs Committee Meeting

Monday, February 13, 2017

Liaison Committee Meeting - CSD Administration

Tuesday, February 14, 2017

Executive Session

**PUBLIC COMMENTS
ON AGENDA ITEMS
ONLY APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Myron Goldman, Elkins Park, suggested the District could raise more money by increasing the local personal tax or income taxes, instead of using property taxes to fund schools. He also suggested the Board contact, Senator Argall before flat out rejecting the bill in Harrisburg.

**APPROVAL TO OPPOSE
LEGISLATION THAT
ELIMINATES SCHOOL
PROPERTY TAXES**

Upon motion by Mr. Rackow, seconded by Mr. Fishbein, the minutes of the January 10 and January 31, 2017 Legislative Board Meetings were unanimously approved.

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania General Assembly previously considered HB/SB 76 of 2015 that would eliminate school property taxes throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors of the Cheltenham School District is aware that similar provisions to HB/SB 76 are again being contemplated by the Pennsylvania Legislature to shift from collecting property taxes to fund public education to an increased personal income tax (PIT) and expanded Sales and Use Tax (SUT); and

WHEREAS, the elimination of the school property tax under this proposed legislation commonly known as the Property Tax Independence Act would severely degrade educational programs and services, and eliminate local control of the School District by the citizens of Cheltenham; and

WHEREAS, the proposed property tax elimination shifts the tax burden from the Cheltenham Area business community to Cheltenham citizens; and

WHEREAS, after eliminating the predictable and controllable school property taxes, the State would fund schools by raising personal income tax statewide by over 60% and increase the sales tax to 7%, including taxing items previously excluded, including, but not limited to, such things as food, clothing, personal services, and more; and

WHEREAS, given increased economic volatility, there is no predictability in the amount of personal income tax and sales tax that will be collected annually which will result in an inconsistent and unstable source of revenue for Cheltenham to adequately fund our schools; and

WHEREAS, the county and municipal governments will continue to be permitted to levy a property tax to pay off school debt even if the school property tax is eliminated; and

WHEREAS, with only 19% of our revenue for funding Cheltenham School District schools coming from the state, the General Assembly has failed to, and continues to fail to address how a school district is to fund the numerous unfunded state and federal mandates, the pension costs, charter school costs, special education costs, and Keystone graduation requirements; and

WHEREAS, the passage of such property tax elimination legislation would compound these concerns have a devastating impact on the educational programming and services in the Cheltenham School District including the ability to construct and staff the new Elkins Park School and upgrade the existing High School; the ability to maintain smaller class sizes, and provide and expand necessary educational programming; and

WHEREAS, the Independent Fiscal Office, charged with providing revenue projections for use in the

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LEGISLATION THAT
ELIMINATES SCHOOL
PROPERTY TAXES
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state budget process along with impartial and timely analysis of fiscal, economic and budgetary issues to assist Commonwealth residents and the General Assembly in their evaluation of policy decisions, has concluded the property tax elimination proposal does not guarantee the necessary level of funding required to maintain quality public education; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Board of School Directors of Cheltenham School District, strongly oppose the General Assembly's contemplation of any legislation of similar substance, content, or form to HB/SB 76 that would eliminate local control of school property taxes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, the Board of School Directors of the Cheltenham School District call upon the General Assembly to explore alternative funding legislation that provides appropriate tax relief to taxpayers without sacrificing local control and threatening the educational programming provided to our children.

ATTESTED:

I affirm that this resolution of the Board of School Directors of Cheltenham School District was adopted at a regularly scheduled Legislative meeting of the Board of School Directors held on February 14, 2017 at which time a quorum present, the Resolution being approved by a vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, and 1 Abstention.

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVES**

Paige Kytzidis and Valerie Melecio reported as student representatives. They announced that the following events took place at CHS: Valentine's Day fundraisers; Bae Grams, Class of 2018 Singing Valentine, and CHS Choir Program. The freshman had, FreshJam and the Class of 2020's Dance. Student reps also reported on the campaign, "It Starts with Hello" during Anti-Bullying Week. The students signed a banner and watched a video about the campaign. Students also noted that hall sweeps began last week and the Student Council is spearheading a campaign to clean up the Senior Cafeteria.

The Blue & Gold date changed to Saturday, February 25. At this event, the entire school gets into the school spirit. PadJama party was sponsored by WSU (Women's Student Union). They donated feminine hygiene products to women in need. Veguary has started, sponsored by the Environmental Club. There are now many vegetarian options in the Cafeteria. The Student Council Officers are attending the Region F Conference. The Guidance counselors are visiting classes and holding individual meetings with students to assist with course selection. Six musicians from the CHS Orchestra participated in the District 11 Orchestra Festival. CHS Sophomore Zach Garrett, participated in the regional competition, Poetry Out Loud.

**CEDARBROOK MIDDLE
SCHOOL**

Dr. Bavi reported that the contractors have completed pouring the slab in the new auxiliary gym area. The installation of the sheetrock in the classroom area is in progress. They completed the roofing deck in the auditorium area and are installing the exterior sheeting and metal framing in the classroom area. The electrical cable has been installed in the new auditorium and auxiliary gym addition. The HVAC and copper pipe are being installed in the first and second floor classroom areas. Fire proofing is in the process of being sprayed in the new classrooms. The masonry wall in the auditorium area and stair tower is in progress. They have completed the footing and are in the process of pouring the new concrete slab in the gym area. At this time the Cedarbrook construction project is 49% complete.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion of Mr. Rackow, seconded by Mr. Nelson, the Treasurer's Report for the period ending January 2017, as presented in the financial statements to the board and as attached to the original minutes was unanimously approved.

MCIU REPORT

Mr. England reporting for the MCIU stating that they discussed the following at the last meeting: Approval of several budgets; IU's District Membership Budget for 17-18, IU's Head Start budget for 17-18, IU's School Climate Regulations Coordinator Grant for 16-17, IU's Safe Schools report for 16-17, and the IU's Data Government grant for 16-17. The MCIU Board also approved contracts for various school

districts. A facilities board was formed to make a decision about property the IU has in Norristown. The next meeting is February 22, 2017.

**EASTERN CENTER
REPORT**

Mrs. Gray was absent and no report was given.

**FINANCIAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE**

Mr. Malloy reported for the Financial Affairs Committee, stated that they discussed the following agenda items at the February 7, 2017 meeting: Approval of minutes, State Budget, and 2016-17 Budget Status. Mr. Malloy announced the next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at the Administration building in Room 119.

**EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE**

Mr. Rackow reported for the Educational Affairs Committee stated that they discussed the following agenda items at the January 17, 2017 meeting: Approval of minutes, Cheltenham High School Course Proposals. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at the Administration building in Room 119.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Approval of Change
Order
Approval of Lowest
Responsible Bidder
Authorization to
Complete Request for
Proposal

Mr. Cohen reported for the Facilities Committee stated they discussed the following agenda items at the February 7, 2017 meeting: Approval of minutes, Cedarbrook Construction Update, Cedarbrook Oil Contamination Update, Cheltenham High School Architectural Gym Renovation, and Cheltenham High School STEM/ Gym Project. Mr. Cohen announced the next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at the Administration building in Room 119.

Upon motion by Mr. Rackow, seconded by Mr. Fishbein, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves of a change order for Boro Construction and Electrical for a total amount of \$325,625.89 and JBM Plumbing for \$15,000. Total change orders \$340,625.89.

On roll call the following voted in the affirmative: Ms. Haywood, Mr. Rackow, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Fishbein, Mr. Cohen, Ms. McWilliams, and Mr. England. Absent: Mrs. Gray Negative: None. Motion adopted.

Upon motion by Mr. Rackow, seconded by Ms. Haywood, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the lowest responsible proposal from, Taheri Architects for a total of \$135,200.00 to design the gymnasium project for CHS.

On roll call the following voted in the affirmative: Ms. Haywood, Mr. Rackow, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Fishbein, Mr. Cohen, Ms. McWilliams, and Mr. England. Absent: Mrs. Gray Negative: None. Motion adopted.

Upon motion by Mr. Rackow, seconded by Mr. Fishbein, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board authorizes the Facilities Department to complete the RFP (Request for Proposal) to hire construction manager for the high school STEM classrooms/lavatories/Life Skills and gymnasium renovation project and the modulars at Elkins Park.

On roll call the following voted in the affirmative: Ms. Haywood, Mr. Rackow, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Fishbein, Mr. Cohen, Ms. McWilliams, and Mr. England. Absent: Mrs. Gray Negative: None. Motion adopted.

LIAISON COMMITTEE

Mr. England reported for the Liaison Committee stated they discussed the following items: Approval of minutes, Elkins Estate Committee, Revised Cheltenham Township Zoning Code, Update on Cedarbrook Middle School Rebuild, Comments from the Township Chair, Updates on Land Development and New

Business. They also followed up on the Tax assessment process, Disciplinary issues, Tax Collector Salary, and Real Estate Campaign. The next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2017.

PERSONNEL
COMMITTEE

Mr. Fishbein reported for the Personnel Committee stated they met on January 12th and discussed the following: Staffing for the 2017-18 school year. The 4 areas of focus for the 2017-18 school year are: Curriculum and Instruction, Facilities, Student Services, and Special Education.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Ms. Haywood reported for the Policy Committee stated they discussed the following items: Approval of minutes, AR121 – Field Trips, AR122 – Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities have been developed. Policy 121-Field Trips, Policy 122-Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities and Policy 225-Students and Policy were presented for Repeat First Read with anticipated adoption at the next Legislative Meeting. Policy 123 -Student Athletics and Policy 117-Homebound Instruction were presented for First Read while awaiting accompanying ARs. The Policy Committee also discussed New Business_AR217 – Graduation Requirements, Policy and AR254 – Student Wellness, and Policy 259 – Homeless Students. The next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2017.

1. Repeat 1st Read

- a. Policy #121 Field Trips
- b. Policy #122 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities
- c. Policy #225 Students and the Police

2. 1st Read Policies

- a. Policy #123 Student Athletics
- b. Policy #117 Homebound Education

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Ms. Haywood, reported for the Montgomery County Legislative Committee reported in the following federal and state legislative developments: At the federal level, Betty DeVoss was approved as US Secretary of Education. At the state level, Governor Wolf presented his budget address on February 7, 2017. Facing a \$3-billion-dollar structural deficit, Governor Wolf has proposed significant steps to reduce general fund spending. As part of the proposed budget for this year, Governor Wolf is proposing increased funding for education with a \$100 million increase to basic education, \$25 million increase to Special Education and a \$75 million increase to Pre-K/Head Start. In his address he also stated that he will be proposing to expanded access to school breakfast, increasing the minimum wage to \$12.00, expanding child care to 1,800 children, and serving 2,000 children with autism. Ms. Haywood also informed the board the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit has proposed several questions as it relates to the proposal of elimination of property tax. Those questions are as follows: How will the educational money be distributed after the first year? How will education be affected by a downturn in the economy? Will the education money be distributed on a quarterly basis in advance or in arrears? How will school districts handle the rising costs in PSERS, charter schools, and special education? How will it initiate the control of collective bargaining? How will inequities in student funding be addressed? How will retired home owners benefit from the legislation? Ms. Haywood concluded her report by stating the following: Senator Eichelberger proposed the following bills: bill 227, which will shorten deadlines for renewal of Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents contracts from 150 to 90 days. He also proposed bill 228, which will eliminate seniority provisions for employees who are furloughed, and bill 229, which will remove mandated sick and bereavement benefits.

PERSONNEL
Appointment
of Long Term
Substitute Teachers
Appointment of
Support Staff
Approval of Changes in

Upon motion by Mr. Rackow, seconded by Mr. Nelson, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the appointment of Anita Lewis as Long Term Substitute Teacher, English Teacher at Cheltenham High School, at a salary of \$57,130 prorated (Step 7/Masters), 2016-2017 salary schedule, to be hired provisionally pending statutory requirements, effective January 13, 2017, through end of the 2016 – 2017 school year.

Position RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the appointment of Kelly Soto as Long Term Substitute Teacher, Art Teacher at Myers Elementary School, at a salary of \$43,934

Approval of Salary prorated (Step 2/Bachelor's), 2016-2017 salary schedule, to be hired provisionally pending statutory

Adjustment requirements, effective January 30, 2017, through end of the 2016 – 2017 school year.

Approval of Leadership Stipend

Approval of Extra Duty/ RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the appointment of

Extra Pay Melissa (Hayes) Sepos as Long Term Substitute Teacher, Grade 6 Teacher at Elkins Park School, at a salary of \$50,376 prorated (Step 4/Masters), 2016-2017 salary schedule, to be hired provisionally pending statutory requirements, effective January 31, 2017, through end of the 2016 – 2017 school year.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the ratification of Jordan Mims as School Safety Officer, 12 months, at Cheltenham High School, 8 hours per day for 260 days, at an annual rate of \$37,682, to be hired provisionally pending statutory requirements, effective January 19, 2017. A 90-day probation period is required.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the ratification of Amy Wolfe as a Kindergarten Assistant, Tier IA, at Cheltenham Elementary School, 7 hours per day for 182 days, at an hourly rate of \$13.62, to be hired provisionally pending statutory requirements, effective January 24, 2017. A 90-day probation period is required.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the ratification of Naima Williams as a Paraeducator, Life Skills, Tier IIA, at Myers Elementary School, 7 hours per day for 184 days, at an hourly rate of \$14.51, to be hired provisionally pending statutory requirements, effective January 19, 2017. A 90-day probation period is required.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the ratification of Ashley Maglio as a 1:1 Paraeducator, Tier IIA, at Cheltenham High School, 7 hours per day for 184 days, at an hourly rate of \$14.51, to be hired provisionally pending statutory requirements, effective February 1, 2017. A 90-day probation period is required.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the ratification of a change in position and status for Karen Rose, from: part-time Building Aide, Tier I, at Cedarbrook Middle School, to: full-time 1:1 Paraeducator, Tier IIA at Cheltenham High School, 7 hours per day for 184 days at a rate of \$14.51 per hour, effective January 23, 2017.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the upward salary adjustments of the annual salary for the 2016-2017 school year of the following professional employees inasmuch as they have submitted graduate credits, which place them in a higher column. The increase listed represents the salary differential for the balance of the 2016-2017 school year (half of the annual amount), effective January 31, 2017 as per the attachment.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the ratification of the approval of professional personnel per the attachment for leadership positions for the 2016-2017 school year, at the rates listed.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the following Extra Duty/Extra Pay assignments, per the attachment, at a rate of \$220 per unit, as listed.

On roll call the following voted in the affirmative: Ms. Haywood, Mr. Rackow, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Fishbein, Mr. Cohen, Ms. McWilliams, and Mr. England. Absent: Mrs. Gray. None Negative: None. Motion adopted.

Information Items:**1. Resignations****The Superintendent accepted the following resignations:**

1. Michael Board, part-time C.L.A.S.P. Aide at Myers Elementary School, effective September 30, 2016, end of workday.
2. Ann Connaghan, Paraeducator, Emotional Support at Glenside Elementary School, effective February 10, 2017, end of workday.

2. Non-discretionary Leaves of Absence**The following non-discretionary Leaves of Absence were granted:**

1. Randa Gordon, Librarian at Myers Elementary School, be granted a sabbatical leave of absence for the second semester of the 2016-2017 school year for Health Restoration, and that she be paid one-half salary for the period as provided by Section 1169, Act 190 of the Pennsylvania School Code. Ms. Gordon's return to work date is the first teacher day of the 2017-2018 school year.

*Extension of first semester 2016-2017 approved sabbatical leave of absence.

3. Rescission of a Board Motion**The Superintendent accepted the following rescission:**

1. The Superintendent accepted the rescission of the resignation of Maureen Fitzpatrick, Lunchroom Aide at Elkins Park, as reported in the January 10, 2016, Legislative Agenda.

EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

Approval of
Conferences

Upon motion by Mr. Rackow, seconded by Ms. Haywood, the following resolutions were adopted:

Acceptance of
Donation

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for the following Administrators to visit High Tech High in San Diego, CA, from March 1 through March 4, 2017, at no cost to the District. The total cost of the trip is being funded by the Avalon Foundation.

Approval of
Supplements Texts

- Dr. Wagner Marseille, Superintendent
- Ms. Julie Haywood Board Member
- Ms. Jean McWilliams Board Member
- Mr. Napoleon Nelson, Board Member
- Mr. Joel Fishbein, Board Member
- Dr. Raymond Realdine, Supervisor of Counseling
- Mr. Paul Desipio, Teacher - Cheltenham High School
- Ms. Nina Gordon, Teacher - Cheltenham High School

Approval of
Memorandum of
UnderstandingApproval of
Educational Service
AgreementApproval of Private
School Placement

Approval of Volunteers

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for the following Administrators to visit High Tech High in San Diego, CA, from February 26 through March 4, 2017, at no cost to the District. The total cost of the trip is being funded by the Avalon Foundation.

- Mr. Brian Reilly, Supervisor of STEM
- Mr. Matthew Pimental, Gifted Coordinator
- Ms. Charlene Collins, Director of Secondary Education
- Mr. Patrick Fleury, Teacher - Cheltenham High School
- Ms. Linsa Sunny, Teacher - Cheltenham High School
- Ms. Johanna Cella, Teacher - Cheltenham High School
- Mr. Brian Smith, Teacher - Cheltenham High School
- Mr. Michael Kwas, Teacher - Elkins Park School

EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS
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RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for Gina Casalnuovo, Teacher at Glenside Elementary, to attend IMSE Comprehensive Orton Gillingham Training in Secaucus, NJ, from February 21, through February 24, 2017 with an estimated cost of \$2,354.22 to be paid from the general fund account.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for the following teachers to attend the Wilson Reading System Workshop in Norristown, PA, from February 14 through February 16, 2017 with an estimated cost of \$344.25 to be paid from the general fund account.

- Daniel Levy, Special Education Teacher - Cheltenham High School
- Paige Budin, Teacher - Cheltenham Elementary School

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for Jodie Pellish - White, Teacher at Cheltenham Elementary School to attend the National Art Education Association in New York NY, from March 2 through March 4, 2017 with an estimated cost of \$394.50 to be paid from the general fund account.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for Danita Wisher, HR Coordinator at Administration to attend the PA Association of School Personnel Administrators in Harrisburg, PA, on March 2, 2017 with an estimated cost of \$351.43 to be paid from the general fund account.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for Jeffrey Rauchut, Health and Physical Education Teacher at Cedarbrook to attend the Cross Fit Level I Certification Course in Bridgeport, PA, on January 21 and January 22, 2017 with an estimated cost of \$800.00 to be paid from the general fund account.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for the following Administrators to attend the PDE Conference 2017 Making a Difference: Educational Practices That Work in Hershey, PA, on March 8 through March 10, 2017 with an estimated cost of \$647.00 to be paid from the general fund account.

- Dr. Beverly Gallagher, Director of Special Ed
- Ms. Stephenie Russell, Sup. of Special Ed

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the attendance and payment of expenses for the following administrative staff to attend the PDE Data Summit in Hershey, PA, on March 12 through March 15, 2017 with an estimated cost of \$983.00 to be paid from the general fund account.

- Ms. Niyirah Garnett, Sec. of Special Ed.
- Ms. Vicky Sanchez, Data Systems Specialist

Pursuant to Board Policy 702 and the attached agreement, the Board accepts the silhouette bench, in the amount of \$1,013.07, from the Barry Brucker Team, to be placed at Elkins Park School.

Pursuant to Board Policy 702 and the attached agreement, the Board accepts the donation to Cheltenham Elementary, in the amount of \$500.00 for Notebooks or a Computer for the Gifted program.

Pursuant to Board Policy 702 and the attached agreement, the Board accepts the donation to Myers Elementary, in the amount of \$500.00 for STEM and other classroom books.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves adding *The Big Dark*, by Rodman Philbrick to the list of approved supplemental texts.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board gives authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Montgomery County Office of Children and Youth and adopt a Transportation Plan, as required by law, for children who are placed into foster care, or whose foster care placement changes, while enrolled in the Cheltenham School District.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves of the educational service agreements between the District and parents of the students identified below by confidential student number in the form presented to the Board:
Student # 221228

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the Approved Private School Agreement and Addendum. This agreement governs the contractual terms and conditions for placement of students when a non-traditional placement is required in order provide the student with an appropriate program:
Student #405304

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the long-term and overnight volunteers pursuant to Policy 916, per attachment.

On roll call the following voted in the affirmative: Ms. Haywood, Mr. Rackow, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Fishbein, Mr. Cohen, Ms. McWilliams, and Mr. England. Absent: Mrs. Gray. Negative: None. Motion adopted.

Upon motion by Mr. Rackow, seconded by Mr. Malloy, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board gives authorization to make budget transfers and assignments for the 2016-2017 fiscal year as required by state and mandated auditing procedures.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves of bills for payment for the period January 11, 2017 to February 14, 2017 in the following amounts in accordance with the list submitted to the board.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Check Numbers</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	143873-144257 & JE170305	\$2,071,506.68
Payroll Fund	10000 - 10052	\$43,590.27
Bond Fund	2036 - 2046	\$3,250,050.57
Food Service Fund	2369 - 2371	\$177,956.87
Student Activities Fund	2457 - 2478 & JE170305	\$22,088.36

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board gives authorization to prepare and solicit bids for the following 2017-18 supplies:

- Instructional/General Supplies
- Athletic/Physical Education Supplies/Equipment

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the adoption of the 2017-18 Membership Services budget for the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit #23 as approved by their Board of Directors in the amount of \$1,518,580, which reflects no overall increase from 2016-

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS
Approval of Budget
Transfers
Approval of Payments
Authorization to Bid
Approval of
Montgomery County
Intermediate Units
2017-2018
Membership Services
Budget
Approval of Tax
Collection
Compensation

17. SDCT'S contribution of \$54,992 reflects a decrease of 4.48% or \$2,464 from 2016-17.

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the compensation for the Elected School District Tax Collector for collection of District property taxes, to the extent this function exists in a given year, be set at \$23,750 per year for the four (4) year term, January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021. There will be an annual increase of \$1,000 to take effect on January 1, 2018 and each January 1 thereafter. Abstained: Mr. Nelson abstained from voting on this motion.

On roll call the following voted in the affirmative: Ms. Haywood, Mr. Rackow, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Fishbein, Mr. Cohen, Ms. McWilliams, and Mr. England. Absent: Mrs. Gray. Negative: None. Motion adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Myron Goldman, Elkins Park asked when the Board would post the Superintendent's goals for 2016-2017. Upon motion by Mr. Fishbein, seconded by Mr. Malloy and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion by Mr. Fishbein, seconded by Mr. Malloy and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.


Secretary


President

