

**Regular Meeting
September 15, 2015**

Opening

Call to Order

At 7:00 p.m. School Board President Mr. William G. Bush, IV called the September 15, 2015 Caesar Rodney School District Regular meeting to order.

Roll Call

Members present in addition to Mr. Bush were Vice-President Mrs. Melody Heavner, Mrs. Cheryl Precourt, Mr. P. Scott Wilson, Mrs. Jessica Marelli, Lt. Colonel Phillips and Executive Secretary Dr. Kevin R. Fitzgerald.

Adoption of Agenda

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to adopt the September 15, 2015 agenda and addendum as presented. Mrs. Heavner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Marelli, Heavner, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Approval of Minutes – August 18, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve the August 18, 2015 Regular meeting minutes as presented. Mrs. Heavner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Marelli, Heavner, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Public Comments

There were no public comments at this meeting.

Presentation

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W. Reily Brown Elementary School

The Reily Brown Step team performed for the Board. Afterwards, Reily Brown's 1st graders sang several different songs.

Communications

Superintendent

Dr. Fitzgerald communicated the following to the Board:

- Dr. Fitzgerald thanked the W. Reily Brown Elementary School students for their "step" performance and then 1st graders for singing.
- Our thoughts and prayers go out to Dr. Wendy Whitehurst, Assistant Principal at W. Reily Brown Elementary School, and her family on the passing of her husband Chuck Whitehurst. Chuck was an Alumni of Caesar Rodney School District, a school board member for 15 years and an assistant football coach. In his spare time he was an attorney. His loss will be felt by the entire Caesar Rodney community. Chuck's services will be held Saturday at Pippin Funeral Home.
- Dr. Fitzgerald also extended sympathy to the family of Pam Kaskeski who passed away last week. Pam was a long time employee of the Caesar Rodney School District who had a positive impact on children in the McIlvaine program.
- Dr. Fitzgerald thanked everyone involved for an outstanding opening for the school year.

- Dr. Fitzgerald thanked Senator Bushweller and Representative Yearick for the marker in front of the District Office commemorating our District's 100th anniversary. Caesar Rodney is the only consolidated school district to celebrate a 100th anniversary.
- Dr. Fitzgerald thanked Representative Bennett for her support in the District securing a 2nd Verizon grant.
- Congratulations to Dr. Steve Godowsky on his nomination as our next Secretary of Education and thank you to Mr. Mark Murphy for his commitment to the children of Delaware.
- Dr. Fitzgerald thanked our students', their parents, our teachers and paras, the administrators and our department of instruction for the effort that was put forth during the smarter balanced assessment. There were questions and there continue to be questions but this District had one of the highest participation rates and was the number one comprehensive school district in the State of Delaware. We now want to see how we compare with the rest of the country.
- Dr. Fitzgerald thanked the members of Friends of Caesar Rodney and the Centennial committee for their planning and effort in making this year special.

Upcoming events

- McIlvaine Family Information night is Wednesday, September 16th with two groups (6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.).
- Elementary information night is Thursday, September 17th beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- September 21st is teacher in-service.
- The District's TOY dinner will be held on Tuesday, September 29th at 6:00 p.m. (Wild Quail).

Preview of October Events

- Homecoming parade/game is Friday, October 16th.
- Rider Pride Day/Referendum will be held on Saturday, October 17th.
- State Teacher of the Year selection dinner will be held on October 20th at 5:00 p.m. at Dover Downs.

School Board

Mrs. Marelli shared that Fred Fifer III Middle School is offering an AP Geography course. Students interact with high school students via skyping.

Lt. Col. Phillips shared that DODEA has a design meeting scheduled for November 30th.

Executive Session

At 7:39 p.m. Mrs. Marelli made a motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel Matters. The purpose of which was to:

- Conduct interviews for the Fred Fifer III Middle School Assistant Principal position.
- Discuss the tentative agreement of the 2012-2015 contract re-opener reached by CRSA and the District.

Mrs. Precourt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Marelli, Precourt, Bush, Heavner and Wilson).

At 9:17 p.m. Mrs. Precourt made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Mrs. Heavner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Precourt, Heavner, Bush, Wilson and Marelli).

Personnel Matters

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to appoint Kimberly Corbeil as Assistant Principal at Fred Fifer III Middle School with an effective date of September 21, 2015. Mrs. Heavner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Marelli, Heavner, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to accept the 2012-2015 contract re-opener agreement reached by CRSA and the District. Mrs. Heavner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Marelli, Heavner, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Action Items

Personnel Matters

1. Administrative Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Michelle Flanders	JSC	Assistant Principal	Appointment effective 9/21/2015.

2. Teacher Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Jennifer Brown	JSC	School Psychologist	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Stacey Allen	ABM	Exceptional Children	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Thomas Jones II	CRH	Exceptional Children	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Bridget Raab	WEL	Kindergarten	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Laura Santore	WEL	Grade 2	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Kailyn Cain	WEL	Grade 2	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Christine Shipengrover	SHE	Grade 2	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Benjamin Erskine	FMS	Music	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Angela Garza	ABM	Exceptional Children	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Maegan Proctor	CRH	Social Studies	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Abby Botts	WBS	Guidance Counselor	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Jessica Wittich	STO	Grade 2	Temporary appointment effective 8/27/2015.
Rhonda Bacu	SHE	Grade 4	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Jennifer Prystash	JSC	Life Skills	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Danielle Siok	WRB	Grade 2	Temporary appointment effective 9/8/2015.
Samantha Miller	CRH	Social Studies	Declined appointment effective 8/20/2015.
Nancy Logan	WEL	Grade 2	Temporary transfer from WRB effective 8/25/2015.
Matthew Tappan	CRH	Social Studies	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Emily Chick	FMS	Exceptional Children	Temporary appointment effective 9/8/2015.
Richard Saxton	JSC	Coordinator	Retirement effective 10/31/2015.

3. Paraprofessional Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Jennifer Howard	JSC	Special Education	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Jeffrey Kelly	FNP	Special Education	Appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Melissa Cummings	FMS	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 9/8/2015.
Dana Armantrading	EIP	Instructional	Temporary appointment effective 9/8/2015.
Shawn Lanouette	FMS	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 9/8/2015.
Holly Moore	WBS	SBI	Temporary appointment effective 8/31/2015.
Kristen Yuckel	MECC	Instructional	Temporary appointment effective 8/27/2015.
Mario Orlando	FNP	Student Support/PT	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Shelly Lambert	STO	SBI	Temporary appointment effective 8/26/2015.
Valerie Rutherford	CRH	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.

Rachel Becquer	WRB	Instructional/Spanish Immersion	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Kristin Millman	WEL	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Beverly Bickelman	FNP	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Mark Hill	FMS	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Laura Nadel	EIP	Student Support/PT	Temporary appointment effective 8/31/2015.
Jose Bernard	CRH	Student Support	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Sally Pangle	SHE	Student Support	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Alvenia McCullough	CRH	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 8/25/2015.
Erica Krambeck	JSC	Lifeguard/Pool	Temporary appointment effective 9/21/2015.
Sabrina Cotta	FMS	Special Education	Retirement effective 6/30/2015.

4. Custodial Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Aaron Collins	CRH	Custodian/2 nd Shift	Appointment effective 9/14/2015.
Jimmy Diaz	WEL	Custodian/2 nd Shift	Appointment effective 9/14/2015.

5. Child Nutrition Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Jill Coleman	MCI	6 hr. cook	Transfer effective 8/23/2015.
Nancy McCormick	WBS	6 hr. cook	Transfer effective 8/23/2015.
Joyce Proctor	AFE	6 hr. cook	Transfer effective 8/23/2015.
Patricia Golden	CRH	4 hr. general worker	Appointment effective 8/23/2015.
Barbara Gibbs	CRH	3.5 hr. general worker	Appointment effective 8/23/2015.
Michelle Baez	WRB	3 hr. general worker	Resignation effective 8/23/2015.
Alexis Kuloszewski	SHE	3 hr. general worker	Resignation effective 8/23/2015.
Natalie Henschen	MCI	3 hr. general worker	Appointment effective 8/23/2015.
Susan Iapino	CRH	5.5 hr. general worker	Appointment effective 8/23/2015.
Delea Helwig-Macklin	MCI	3 hr. general worker	Resignation effective 8/23/2015.
Mary Ann Bendfeldt	FNP	3 hr. general worker	Resignation effective 8/23/2015.
Melissa Patterson	FMS	3 hr. general worker	Resignation effective 8/23/2015.
Dana Bendel	ABM	3.5 hr. general worker	Resignation effective 9/18/2015.

6. CREA Travel Requests

Name	School	Position	Action
Kim Statham	CRH	Teacher	To attend Nat'l Conf-Nat'l Council for Social Studies 11/13-15/2015, in New Orleans, LA

7. Extra Duty Recommendations/Resignations

Name	School	Sport	Position	Action
Karen Bourey	CRH	Musical	Asst. Show Choir	Declined position for SY2015-16.
Austin Freysinger	CRH	Football	Volunteer-Equipment Manager	Recommendation for Fall Sports SY2015-16.
Richard Ward	CRH	Football	Volunteer Coach	Recommendation for Fall Sports SY2015-16.
Emily Jump	ABM	Field Hockey	Asst. Coach	Recommendation for Fall Sports SY2015-16.
Michelle Caulk	WRB	Service Organizations	Odyssey of the Mind Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Kristine Harlow	FNP	Student Publications	Yearbook Co-Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Maureen Cannon	SHE	Musical	Band	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Mike LeNoir	SHE	Musical	Chorus	Recommendation for SY2015-16.

Jeani Preszler	SHE/Gr4	Service Organizations	Math League	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Chris Warga	SHE	Service Organizations	Student Council Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Maureen Cannon	WBS	Musical	Band	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Ashley Miclette	WBS	Service Organizations	Student Council Co-Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Amanda Hobbs	WBS	Service Organizations	Student Council Co-Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Andrea Andrews	WBS/Gr4	Service Organizations	Math League	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Andrea Andrews	WBS/Gr5	Service Organizations	Math League	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Eric Kraus	WBS	Service Organizations	Odyssey of the Mind	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Amy Laslow	ABM	Service Organizations	Yearbook Sponsor	Declined position for SY2015-16.
Stacey Allen	ABM	Cheerleading	Assistant Coach	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Kristine Harlow	FNP	Student Publications	Yearbook Co-Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Christine Bevenour	ABM	Boys Soccer	Assistant Coach	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Holly Moore	WBS	Musical	Chorus	Recommendation for first semester SY2015-16.
Windsor Allen	WBS	Musical	Chorus	Recommendation for second semester SY2015-16.
Joshua Parish	ABM	Cheerleading	Volunteer	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Jacquelin Creasey	FNP	Service Organization	Odyssey of the Mind Co-Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Scott Golden	FNP	Service Organization	Odyssey of the Mind Co-Sponsor	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Teresa Mellin	WEL	Service Organization	Math League Sponsor Grade 4	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Teresa Mellin	WEL	Service Organization	Math League Sponsor Grade 5	Recommendation for SY2015-16.
Kristin Finley	FNP	Boys and Girls Soccer	Volunteer	Recommendation effective 9/9/2015 for SY2015-16.
Katherine Becker	CRH	Field Hockey	Volunteer	Recommendation effective 9/9/2015 for SY2015-16.
Scott Golden	ABM	Boys Soccer	Assistant Coach	Declined position for SY2015-16.

Mrs. Heavner made a motion to approve Personnel Matters A.1 through A.7 as presented on the agenda and addendum. Mrs. Marelli seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Heavner, Marelli, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Routine Business

Student Travel

Caesar Rodney High Students

Event	Date	Location
Camp Tockwogh	Tuesday, September 22 and Wednesday, September 23, 2015	Worton, MD
Stage Crew and Thespians Tour of NYC Theater, Central Park and Times Square	Saturday, January 30, 2016	New York City, NY
Wrestling	Saturday, January 9, 2016	Hamburg Area High School, Hamburg, PA

F. Niel Postlethwait Middle Students

Event	Date	Location
Music in the Park Festival 8 th Grade Band and Chorus	Friday, May 27, 2016	Jackson, NJ

Mrs. Heavner made a motion to approve Student Travel as presented on the agenda and addendum. Mrs. Marelli seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Heavner, Marelli, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Gifts to Schools

- a. The Caesar Rodney School District received a donation of book bags and school supplies from the Wyoming United Methodist Church.
- b. Fred Fifer III Middle School received \$100.00 in school supplies from Anytime Fitness.

Mrs. Heavner made a motion to approve Gifts to Schools as presented on the agenda. Mrs. Marelli seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Heavner, Marelli, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Policy Matters

2015-16 School Choice Recommendations

Mrs. Heavner made a motion to approve 2015-16 School Choice Recommendations as presented. Mrs. Marelli seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Heavner, Marelli, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Fiscal Matters

Budget/Fiscal Reports

Mrs. Heavner made a motion to accept Budget/Fiscal reports as presented. Mrs. Marelli seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Heavner, Marelli, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).

Financial Position Report as of July 1, 2015

Mrs. Heavner made a motion to approve the Financial Position Report as of July 1, 2015 as presented. Mrs. Marelli seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Heavner, Marelli, Bush, Precourt and Wilson).


Discussion Items

Directors' Reports

Directors' reports, which include their Supervisors' reports, are included for the Board's review.

Adjournment

At 9:27 p.m. Mr. Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Heavner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Wilson, Heavner, Bush, Precourt and Marelli).



Kevin R. Fitzgerald, Ed. D., Executive Secretary

Date