

**Regular Meeting
May 19, 2015**

Opening

Call to Order

At 7:00 p.m. School Board President Mr. William G. Bush IV called the May 19, 2015 Caesar Rodney School District Regular School Board meeting to order.

Roll Call

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

Adoption of Agenda

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to adopt the May 19, 2015 Regular Meeting agenda. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Approval of Minutes – April 21, 2015 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve the April 21, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Public Comments

Mr. Kevin Tinsley expressed his concerns regarding the level of education, attention and services that the special needs students in Caesar Rodney School District are receiving.

Presentation

Recognitions

F. Niel Postlethwait Middle School State Champion Cheerleaders

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to Sherron Lewis and Rhiannon Salsman for being coaches of the F. Niel Postlethwait Middle School Cheerleading Squad who were declared State Champions following their stellar performance at this year's statewide competition.

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education also recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to the following members of the F. Niel Postlethwait Cheerleading Squad:

Esther Abiona

Grace Ahern-Grace was unable to attend this meeting.

Brianna Arthur

Shana Baker

Destiny Blair

Nia Gillette

Sophia Kammer

Sophia Kowalchick

Grace LeFevre-Grace was unable to attend this meeting.

Brooklyn Lobaccaro

Sarah Lowman-Sarah was unable to attend this meeting.

Katrina Raiche-Katrina was unable to attend this meeting.

Mia Ritchey

Ava Robinson

Sara Snizek

Jazmine Stamas-Jazmine was unable to attend this meeting.

AFJROTC State Champion Drill Team

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to Mitch Berger, Senior Aerospace Science Instructor AFJROTC and Jon Wedel, CRHS AFJROTC Program Instructor for being declared overall State Drill Champions following stellar performances held recently at the annual statewide competition on Dover Air Force Base.

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education also recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to the following members of the Caesar Rodney High School AFJROTC Drill Team:

Derek Allen-Derek was unable to attend this meeting.	Taylor Mathews
Jasmine Bagley-Jasmine was unable to attend this meeting.	Ian McCloud-Ian was unable to attend this meeting.
Travis Berger	Alexis McCullough-Alexis was unable to attend this meeting.
Joel Boyer	Dylan Morgan-Dylan was unable to attend this meeting.
Nicolas Brown	Daniel Munson-Daniel was unable to attend this meeting.
Joseph Clement-Joseph was unable to attend this meeting.	Richard Nam
Truston Davis	Hayden Olmstead-Hayden was unable to attend this meeting.
Julie Dumont-Julie was unable to attend this meeting.	Shavaughn Palmer
Jonah Durham-Jonah was unable to attend this meeting.	Dylan Pearson-Dylan was unable to attend this meeting.
Wesley Faircloth-Wesley was unable to attend this meeting.	Elizabeth Rawlings
Paul Hicks, III-Paul was unable to attend this meeting.	Paige Raymond
Cory Hill-Cory was unable to attend this meeting.	Eugene Sanders-Eugene was unable to attend this meeting.
Shamar Ince-Shamar was unable to attend this meeting.	Daniel Shannon-Daniel was unable to attend this meeting.
Chandler Jackson	John Way-John was unable to attend this meeting.
Devin Jackson	

Michael C. Ferguson Achievement Awards

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to the following Michael Ferguson Scholar's for 2015:

Vincent Alois	Kimberly Glasser-Kimberly was unable to attend this meeting.
Andrew Chen	Matthew Lee-Matthew was unable to attend this meeting.
Destiny Cooper	Christine Marks
Nicholas Doak	Kristen Reigle
Emily Geckle	Phillip Yates

SAMSUNG Solve for Tomorrow Award Winners

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented Certificates of Recognition to Chris Harris, Christopher Hurd and Deborah Rudis for coaching an engineering team that redesigned a Fisher Price Power Wheels Toy and modifying it into a special needs vehicle for students at the John S. Charlton School. The project was entered into the "Samsung Solve for Tomorrow" contest in which the engineering team was declared the state winner, receiving more than \$30,000 in technology for the Caesar Rodney High School.

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education also recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to the following members of the engineering team:

Jeremiah Collins
David Friess
Tyranae Haupt

Jeanette Bendolph – State Indoor 800 Meter Track Champion

Jeanette was not able to attend this meeting.

Mya Poe – 2015 National Dental Health Month Poster Contest Winner for Kent County

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to Mya Poe for being recognized as the 2015 National Dental Health Month poster contest winner for Kent County.

Candace Simonini – Delaware Secondary Guidance Counselor of the Year

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to Candace Simonini for being named "Delaware's Counselor of the Year" for 2015.

Christine Alois, Ed. D. – Doctoral Degree

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to Dr. Christine Alois on completing her Doctoral of Educational Leadership at the University of Delaware.

Deborah Rudis, Ed. D. – Doctoral Degree

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to Dr. Deborah Rudis on completing her Doctoral Program in Physical Therapy at the University of Montana.

James Harvey – 300th Boys Tennis Win

The Caesar Rodney Board of Education recognized and presented a Certificate of Recognition to James Harvey for reaching a milestone 300th victory with the Caesar Rodney High School Boys Tennis Program.

Michael Schonewolf

Mr. Schonewolf was not able to attend this meeting.

An Wei

Ms. Wei was not able to attend this meeting.

Communications

Superintendent

Dr. Fitzgerald communicated the following to the Board:

- Thoughts and prayers go out to Mrs. Precourt and her family on the passing of her father, Nolan Cooper. Mr. Cooper was a long time school district employee ending his career as our first Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds.
- Congratulations to Mr. Bush on his re-election to the school board.
- Congratulations to all of the students and staff members that were recognized this evening. Each and every one of you make us proud.
- Congratulations to the 83 seniors that received their honor cords last evening.
- Congratulations to our spring sports teams for once again representing the school and district well. There are teams still playing for state championships (tennis, lacrosse, girls' soccer and golf) and we know they'll do their best.
- Welcome to Dan Rigby who the board appointed in a special meeting as the CRHS wrestling coach.
- Dr. Fitzgerald wished the Odyssey of the Mind teams from Simpson and Welch the best as they travel to Michigan to compete in the World Competition.
- Charlton graduation is Friday, May 22nd at 9:30 a.m.
- Senior's last day is May 27th.
- Charlton's pre-school/kindergarten graduation is on May 29th at 9:30 a.m.
- June 3rd is McIlvaine's graduation ceremony at the high school.
- June 4th is Senior Awards and starts at 6:45 p.m. at the high school.
- Graduation is June 6th at 10:00 a.m.

- June 11th is the last student day.
- The district will be offering Caesar Rodney centennial license plates.

School Board

Mrs. Heavner shared that her and Mrs. Precourt attended the Honor Cord ceremony. Great things are happening in our schools, no one can say our schools are failing...we are doing a great job.

Executive Session

At 7:50 p.m. Mrs. Marelli made a motion to go into Executive Session. The purpose of which was to:

- Conduct interviews for the Supervisor of Child Nutrition position.
- Discuss termination of employee #2015-002.

Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

At 9:50 p.m. Mrs. Marelli made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Personnel Matters

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to appoint Paul Rodgers as Supervisor of Child Nutrition with an effective date and contract to be determined. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to authorize termination of employee #2015-002 with an effective date to be determined. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Action Items

Personnel Matters

1. Administrative Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Craig Wearden	DO	Supervisor of Transportation	Resignation effective 6/30/2015.

2. Teacher Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Katie Maddalena	FMS	REVISION: Exceptional Children	Temporary contract concludes 6/30/2015.
Shaun Strickland	CRH	Special Education/English	Resignation effective end of SY2014-15.
Nicole Semans	JSC	Life Skills	Resignation effective end of SY2014-15.
Susan Kuhling	WBS/ILC	Exceptional Children	Retirement effective end of SY2014-15.
Rebekah Albano	CRH	English Teacher	Resignation effective end of SY2014-15.

3. Paraprofessional Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Linda Reeb	FMS	Library/Media	Retirement effective end of SY2014-15.

Andrea Andrews	WBS	Special Education	Temporary appointment effective 5/11/2015.
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4. Custodial Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Tico Barclay	WRB	Chief Custodian	Resignation effective 6/12/2015.

5. Secretarial Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Michelle Christman	NHS	PT Clerk	Appointment effective 4/20/2015.
Julia Lewis	CRH	Financial Secretary	Retirement effective 7/31/2015.

6. Extra Duty Recommendations/Resignations

Name	School	Sport	Position	Action
Charles Konadu-Adjei	ABM	Service Organization	Odyssey of the Mind	Recommendation for SY2014-15.
Eric Kraus	WBS	Service Organization	Odyssey of the Mind	Recommendation for SY2014-15.

7. Child Nutrition Appointments/Resignations/Retirements/Transfers

Name	School	Position	Action
Debra Cooper	MCI	3 hr. General Worker	Appointment effective 4/20/2015.
Jenette Johnson	SHE	3 hr. General Worker	Appointment effective 4/20/2015.
Christina Petrosky	WBS	3 hr. General Worker	Appointment effective 4/20/2015.
Towanda Richardson	MCI	3 hr. General Worker	Resignation effective 4/30/2015.
Patricia Golden	CRH	3.5 hr. General Worker	Appointment effective 5/1/2015.

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve Personnel Matters A.1 through A.7 as presented on the agenda. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Routine Business

Student Travel

Caesar Rodney High Students

Event	Date	Location
FCCLA National Leadership Convention	Saturday, July 4 through Friday, July 10, 2015	Washington, DC

Welch Elementary Students

Event	Date	Location
Kindergarten Field Trip	Wednesday, May 27, 2015 Rain Date: Thursday, May 28, 2015	Salisbury Zoo Salisbury, Maryland

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve Student Travel as presented on the agenda. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Gifts to Schools

- W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$15.00 donation from Sharon Dean for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$500.00 donation from Wilmington University for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$500.00 donation from Fifer Orchards, Inc. for the Odyssey of the Mind team.

- d. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$50.00 donation from T. A. Farms, LLC. for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- e. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$100.00 donation from Advantech Inc. for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- f. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$200.00 donation from Sussex Shores Water Company for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- g. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$50.00 donation from Lynn Bullock for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- h. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$250.00 donation from Broadkirk VFW Post 6984 for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- i. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$100.00 donation from Bryce and Beth Collins for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- j. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$50.00 donation from Delaware Guitar School for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- k. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$200.00 donation from Sean and Minday Anthony for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- l. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$50.00 donation from Simply Charming, LLC. for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- m. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$50.00 donation from Alexander and Barbara Gooden for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- n. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$100.00 donation from Elizabeth Anthony for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- o. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$25.00 donation from Sara Abernathy for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- p. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$500.00 donation from the Town of Wyoming for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- q. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$50.00 donation from Georgette Williams for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- r. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$100.00 donation from Nancy Baith for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- s. W. B. Simpson Elementary School received a \$788.60 donation from Chipotle for the Odyssey of the Mind team.
- t. Caesar Rodney School District's Visually Impaired Program received a \$50.00 donation from the Dover Lioness Club.
- u. F. Niel Postlethwait Middle School received Crayola paint supplies for Mrs. Szabo's classroom from Crayola, LLC.
- v. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$100.00 donation from Pippin Funeral Home, Inc. for BPA's National Conference.
- w. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$100.00 donation from Jeffrey and Wanda Townsend for BPA's National Conference.
- x. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$200.00 donation from Lawns Plus, Inc. for BPA's National Conference.
- y. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Donald and Diane McHugh for BPA's National Conference.
- z. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$100.00 donation from Anand Gundakaram for BPA's National Conference.
- aa. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$100.00 donation from Wyoming Millwork Company for BPA's National Conference.
- bb. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$100.00 donation from Delaware Electric Co-op for BPA's National Conference.
- cc. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$150.00 donation from Scott and Kimberly Koenig to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
- dd. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Robert and Barbara McCleary to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
- ee. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$100.00 donation from Mark and Elaine Mundy to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
- ff. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Lawrence and Mary Delgado to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
- gg. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Katherine Francis to the FMS Boys

- Lacrosse team.
- hh. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Jeffrey and Linda Davis to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - ii. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Jerome Fitzpatrick to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - jj. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Kathleen Fitzpatrick to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - kk. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Michael and Tracey Grossman to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - ll. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from David Buckson to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - mm. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Brian Rollison to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - nn. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$100.00 donation from Del-One Federal Credit Union to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - oo. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Michelle Phillips to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - pp. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Donnie Smith to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - qq. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$25.00 donation from Marlin and Robin Wright to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - rr. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$60.00 donation from William and Carolyn Bush to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.
 - ss. Fred Fifer III Middle School received a \$50.00 donation from Crystal Carey to the FMS Boys Lacrosse team.

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve Gifts to Schools as presented on the agenda. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Policy Matters

2014-15 and 2015-16 School Choice Recommendations

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve 2014-15 and 2015-16 School Choice Recommendations as presented. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

3rd Reading Responding to Teen Dating Violence and Sexual Assault Policy JLDBG

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve the 3rd Reading Responding to Teen Dating Violence and Sexual Assault Policy JLDBG as presented. Mrs. Heavner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Heavner, Bush and Wilson).

Modification of Smoke-Free Environment Policy ADC

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve Modification of Smoke-Free Environment Policy ADC as presented. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Modification of Tobacco and Tobacco Substitute Use by Students Policy JICG

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve Modification of Tobacco and Tobacco Substitute Use by Students Policy JICG as presented. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Modification of Tobacco and Tobacco Substitute Use by Staff Members Policy GBED (also ADC)

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve Modification of Tobacco and Tobacco Substitute Use by Staff Members Policy GBED (also ADC) as presented. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Fiscal Matters

Budget/Fiscal Reports

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to accept Budget/Fiscal reports as presented. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Financial Position Report as of March 31, 2015

Mrs. Marelli made a motion to approve the Financial Position Report as of March 31, 2015 as presented. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).

Discussion Items

Directors' Reports

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

Executive Session

There was no need for a second Executive Session at this meeting.

Adjournment

At 10:05 p.m. Mrs. Marelli made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Marelli, Wilson, Bush and Heavner).


Kevin R. Fitzgerald, Ed. D., Executive Secretary 6/16/15 Date