

**GROVE CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STANDING COMMITTEES/WORK SESSION MINUTES
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM
JANUARY 7, 2020
7:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Mr. McCracken, Mrs. Baker, Ms. Wilson, Mr. Gerwick, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Abplanalp, Mr. Somora and Dr. Nichols

Members Absent: Dr. Sciallo

Non-Members Present: Dr. Finch, Dr. Weaver, Atty. Evankovich, Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Harris, Dr. Howard, Mr. Young and approximately seven guests

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There will be an Executive Session held at the beginning of the Facilities and School Safety Committee meeting to discuss potential litigation with the construction project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Mr. McCracken asked for questions on the minutes from the December 4, 2019 Reorganization and Voting Meeting. There were none.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Mr. McCracken announced the formation of six standing committees and explained the new format for the Work Session/Committee Meetings. Each Work Session will begin with Committee Meetings which will last approximately one hour followed by a regrouping as a Committee of the Whole to discuss agenda items from each committee meeting.
2. Mr. McCracken discussed other appointments, Committee Assignments and School Board Meeting dates for 2020.

Mr. McCracken dismissed Board Members to their appropriate Committees to begin the Committee Meetings.

STUDENT AFFAIRS and ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Members Present: Mr. Abplanalp, Mrs. Baker and Mr. Thomas

Non-Members Present: Dr. Finch

Mrs. Baker was elected as Committee Chairperson.

Discussion Topics: None

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Members Present: Mr. Gerwick, Dr. Nichols and Ms. Wilson

Non-Members Present: Dr. Weaver

Dr. Nichols was elected as Committee Chairperson.

Discussion Topics:

1. Staff conference requests
2. MOU with Allegheny Intermediate Unit for Translation Services
3. Public hearing regarding the closing of Highland Primary Center
4. Name changes for schools at George Junior Republic:
 - a. George Junior Republic Elementary to Grove City Area George Junior Elementary
 - b. George Junior Republic Middle School to Grove City Area George Junior Middle School
 - c. George Junior Republic High School to Grove City Area George Junior High School
5. Name change of Hillview Intermediate Center to Hillview Elementary School for the 2020-21 school year.
6. Moving half and full-day Kindergarten and 1st grade students from Highland to Hillview Elementary School for the 2020-21 school year.
7. 2020-21 District Calendar

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Members Present: Mr. McCracken and Mr. Somora

Member Absent: Dr. Sciallo

Non-Members Present: Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Harris

Mr. McCracken was elected as Committee Chairperson.

Discussion Topics:

1. Financial Statement for December 2019
2. Bills Payable for December 2019 and January 2020
3. Budget Transfers for January 2020
4. Budget Transfers for 2018-19
5. Using \$1,000 petty cash for the high school spring musical and \$500 petty cash for the elementary spring play
6. Closing the PLGIT Forward Purchasing Account and moving the funds to the PLGIT Capital Reserve Account
7. 2020-21 Budget Planning timeline

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Members Present: Mr. McCracken, Mr. Somora and Ms. Wilson

Non-Members Present: Dr. Weaver, Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Harris

Mr. Somora was elected as Committee Chairperson.

Discussion Topics: A hiring, additional 2019-20 supplemental position, additions to the substitute list, resignations and retirements

FACILITIES and SCHOOL SAFETY COMMITTEE

Members Present: Mr. Abplanalp, Mrs. Baker and Mr. Thomas

Non-Members Present: Dr. Finch, Atty. Evankovich, Mr. Young, and Dr. Howard

Mr. Abplanalp was elected as Committee Chairperson.

An executive session was held to discuss potential litigation with the construction project.

Discussion Topics:

1. YMCA letter of interest
2. Forker Field D zones and track resurfacing

POLICY and LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Members Present: Mr. Gerwick and Dr. Nichols

Member Absent: Dr. Sciallo

Non-Members Present: Atty. Evankovich

Mr. Gerwick was elected as Committee Chairperson.

Discussion Topics:

1. Final Reading of Policy 345 – School Police – Use of Force and Weapons
2. First Reading of Policy 233 – Suspension and Expulsion (recommended updates from PSBA)
3. Re-adopt the Principles of Governance and Leadership
4. Sponsorship and Naming Rights Policy

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Each Committee Chairperson gave a summarized report of the items discussed in their Committee meeting

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

Ms. Wilson– Subject of Commentary

- Discussed the sensory friendly show choir concert
- Attended the LPN graduation ceremony at the Mercer County Career Center where 100% of the students have passed the state test

Mrs. Baker– Subject of Commentary

- Will attend Inventionland at the Middle School on Thursday and report back to the Board

FUTURE BUSINESS MEETING DATES

A Voting Meeting will be held on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.