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AGENDA
JULY BOARD MEETING
July 15, 2024
High School Library
7:30 PM

7:00 PM – Work session: Agenda review, questions and comments (Open).
Personnel, Litigation, and Contracts (Closed).

Agenda

1. Call to order and flag salute by President.
2. Presentation by Ms. Lena Hannah, Pennsylvania School Boards Association, Member Outreach Manager, celebrating the districts Great PA School designation.
3. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting from June 17, 2024 the special meeting on June 24, 2024, and the Curriculum & Extracurricular Committee meeting held on July 11, 2024.
4. Approve the Treasurer's Report, all bills as listed and financial statements.
5. Communications.
6. Board committee reports.
7. Administrative reports.
8. Public comments.
9. Personnel:
Hire(s):
Recommend approval to hire Mr. Travis Bell as boy's head wrestling coach beginning with the 2024-25 school year, pending clearances.

9. Personnel (Continued):

Hire(s) Continued:

Recommend approval to hire coaches *and* advisors for fall supplemental contracts for 2024-2025 as attached, pending clearances.

AmeriCorps:

Recommend approval for Dahlia Jacks to fill the Full Time (1700 Hour) Elementary School AmeriCorps position for the 2024-25 school year, at \$15,400 cost share to the district.

10. **FACILITIES REQUEST:**

Recommend approval for Mercer Midget Football to use the following school district facilities:

- ❖ Practice fields at the middle/high school July 22 – October 31, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- ❖ Football stadium, concession stand, and press box for two Saturdays between August 17 and September 28, 2024. Dates TBD. This will be scheduled through the Athletic Director and the Principal based on availability.

11. **STUDENT TRAVEL:**

Recommend approval for Mr. Jonathan Freidhoff to accompany the 5M band to Kennywood Park on August 17, 2024.

12. Recommend approval of the 2024-25 ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan. The Plan will be made available to the public on the school district's website.
13. Recommend approval to accept the agreement between Mercer Area School District and LDP, Inc, referred to as Leader Services, which will provide Pennsylvania Medicaid Direct Services web applications and support services. This agreement is from July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, as attached.
14. Recommend approval of an addendum to the agreement with Educational Staff Solutions (ESS) for the 2024-2025 school year, as attached.
15. Recommend approval to set the adult meal prices for the 2024-25 school year. This is required for participation in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP).

Breakfast: Adults \$2.40

Lunch: Adults \$4.75

16. Recommend approval of the following Parent Booster/Support Organizations for the 2024-25 school year, as they all meet the requirements set forth by the Mercer Area School Board in Policy 915, as follows:

PEP	Mercer Girls Basketball Boosters	Mercer Speech Boosters
Mercer Band Boosters	Mercer Golf Boosters	Mercer Track & Cross Country Boosters
Mercer Boys Basketball Boosters	Mercer Area Soccer Helpers	Mercer Girls Volleyball Boosters
Choral Boosters	Mercer Softball Boosters	Mercer Wrestling Boosters Club
	Mustang Touchdown Club	Mercer Tech-Ed Booster Club

17. Recommend approval of the 2024-25 elementary school student handbook, as attached.
18. Recommend approval of the 2024-25 elementary staff handbook, as attached.
19. Recommend approval of the 2024-25 middle/high school student handbook, as attached.
20. Recommend approval of the 2024-25 middle/high school staff handbook, as attached.
21. Recommend approval of the 1:1 handbook for the 2024-25 school year, as attached.
22. Recommend approval to accept the Internal Audit, in accordance with Local Tax Collection Law, Title 72, P.S. 5511, Section 26, for Suzanne Carter-Barner, Mercer Borough, Tax Collector for tax year 2023. (3/1/23-1/15/24)
23. Other business.
24. Adjournment.

FYI:

August 5	Football – Heat acclimatization begins
August 7	7th grade orientation @ 7 p.m.
August 12	Fall sports practice begins (PIAA)
August 19	<u>School Board Meeting</u>
August 19 & 20	Teacher in-service days
August 19 & 20	Kindergarten Orientation
August 21	First day for <u>students</u>
August 22	M/HS Open House 5:30 – 7:15 p.m.
August 22	Meet the Mustangs @ 7:30 p.m.
September 3-16	Elementary Book Fair
September 5	Elementary Open House