

Highlights from the January 2019 Action Meeting

Board Representative Reports

Cherry Hill High School West Representative Sonjia Kangaju began her update by congratulating Carlos Gomez for being named to the NJFCA All-State Super 100 Football Team, and 1985 West graduate Joyce Moffett Klinewski for being named to the South Jersey Basketball Hall of Fame 2019. Ms. Kangaju also recognized multiple members of the West Cross Country/Track and Field Team for several top accomplishments. She noted that rehearsals by the vocal and instrumental music departments are underway for the upcoming Broadway Night on February 28 and March 1, with the theme "21st Century Disney." Ms. Kangaju added that the Cherry Hill West and East African American Culture Clubs would be presenting the Black History Month production, "A Seat at the Table: A History of Firsts," on February 23. She also congratulated and the cast and crew of the recent production of Almost Maine, and noted that rehearsals are now underway for the play 110 Stories, about 9/11. The play will run February 8 and 9. Rehearsals for the spring musical Chicago, Ms. Kangaju added, also are underway. She noted that Latinas at West just held their community wide 3 Kings Day Celebration at the Tilelli Community Center on January 6. She noted the school's success at the DECA regional conference and added that 44 of those students have advanced to the state competition.

Cherry Hill High School East Alternate Representative Craig Robinson reported on the second East student survey of the year, this one regarding the Bond Referendum. Of the students who responded, approximately 25% supported the Bond; 31% opposed; 44% no opinion. The majority of students said they were informed about the Bond through discussions with friends and family; the next most common means of information among respondents was Facebook; then Eastside newspaper articles. Mr. Robinson reported that 40% of student respondents said security cameras were the most important issue in the Bond; 39% named ID scanners as most important; and 22% named security

vestibules as the most important security issue. Among infrastructure issues, the majority of respondents named roofs and walls (29%) and asbestos abatement at 25%. When asked about security items to be included in the next Bond, students named security cameras at most important (63%). Just 29% of eligible student voters who took the survey voted in the Special Election, but 82% said they plan to vote in the next Bond election. Mr. Robinson said he would share a written copy of the survey with the Board. Mrs. Shugars pointed out that security cameras are in the process of being installed at East, and the project should be complete by the end of the spring.

Curriculum & Instruction

The Board approved attendance at conferences and workshops for the 2018-2019 school year.

The Board approved out of district student placements for the 2017-2018 school year.

The Board approved Summer 2019 Programs.

The Board approved Services Contract with NJ Commission for the Blind and Visual Impaired 2018-2019 School Year.

Business & Facilities

The Board approved a Resolution for Board Meeting Advertisements.

The Board approved financial reports for November 2018, including the Board Secretary's Certification and Treasurer's Report, the Line Item Transfer Report, the Food Service Operating Statement, and the SACC Financial Report. The Board approved the disbursement of funds in the amount of \$11,185,862.79.

The Board approved the Bill Lists dated January 22, 2019 with the first Bill List in the amount of \$16,740.01, the second Bill List in the amount of \$2,825,307.64, the third Bill List in the amount of \$107,513.56, and the fourth Bill List in the amount of \$2,388,479.28.

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The Board approved the SACC Bill List for January 22, 2019 in the amount of \$4,751.63.

The Board approved multiple Resolutions for the Award of Transportation.

The Board approved a Resolution for the Award of Bids for Snow Removal 2018/2019 School Years.

The Board approved a Resolution for the Award of Change Orders for emergency generator and exit/emergency lighting replacement at various Cherry Hill Public School properties.

The Board accepted a monetary donation from the Carusi PTA to Carusi Middle School for the purchase of safety mats: \$1,872.00.

Human Resources/Negotiations

The Board approved termination of employment and appointments of certificated staff, including teachers and long-term substitute teachers, student teachers, clinical training and co-curricular appointments.

The Board approved various appointments of non-certificated staff, leaves of absence, assignment/salary changes, and other compensation.

Policies & Legislation Committee

The Board approved Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying investigative decisions.

Strategic Planning

The Board conducted discussion regarding the Bond Referendum.

The official minutes of the January 22, 2019 Board of Education Meeting will be posted on the district web site following their approval at the February 26, 2019 Action Meeting. For more information, contact the Public Information Office at publicinfo@chclc.org or (856) 429-560.