



Cherry Hill Board of Education

Notes

Highlights from the March 2018 Action Meeting

Presentations

Assistant Superintendent, Business/Board Secretary Mrs. Lynn Shugars presented the District's Initial Budget Submission.

Board Representative Reports

Cherry Hill High School West Representative Carlee Cohen reported that West activities continued to dominate the month of March. She noted that West's annual Broadway Night took place on March 1 and 2, and that athletics are in full swing, while Sophomore Cotillion took place on March 3. Ms. Cohen also reported that hundreds of West students participated in the Nationwide Walkout on March 14 to commemorate the 17 lives tragically lost at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. She added that the day included student speeches and "subject appropriate videos," and she found the day to be "extremely impactful and empowering." Ms. Cohen thanked the teachers and administration for allowing the students to "share their voice safely and respectfully." She went on to describe West's spring musical, *The Phantom of the Opera* as "one to remember" and that it "clearly depicts the talented students we have at West." Ms. Cohen noted that Spring Break is quickly approaching, and that the Junior Spring Formal will take place shortly after break. She closed by saying the senior trip to Disney World would begin April 17.

Cherry Hill High School East Alternate Student Representative Lauren Atkin reported on the success of East's spring musical, *The Music Man* and noted that more will come from the East drama department in the form of the upcoming one-act plays, written, casted and directed by students. Ms. Atkin noted that the annual spring blood drive again proved to be one of the largest

in South Jersey. She also discussed the events organized by students in response to the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, including student discussion, a series of assemblies regarding safety and response to school shooter situations, and participating in the Nationwide Walkout on March 14, walking for 17 minutes in honor of the 17 lives lost at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. Ms. Atkin also mentioned a schoolwide voter registration drive. She then noted the spring sports were warming up, and that approximately 300 seniors had recently returned from the Senior Trip to Orlando. SGA elections, she noted, will begin soon, as will Multicultural Day and Spring Break. She added that the Mr. East competition would be taking place on April 13, with East Student Board Representative Joshua Sodicoff among the contestants. She closed by saying the students were looking forward to Spring Break.

Curriculum & Instruction

The Board approved attendance at conferences and workshops for the 2017-2018 school year.

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

The Board approved Elementary Family Life Curriculum.

The Board approved Summer 2018 Programs.

The Board approved Meredith Keller Research.

The Board approved the Refusal/Return FY2017 Perkins Funds.

The Board approved the acceptance of FY 2018 Title I Part A - School Improvement Allocation (SIA) for Cherry Hill High School West.

The Board approved an Out of District Student Placement Services Contract for the 2017-2018 School Year.

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Business & Facilities

The Board approved the financial reports for January 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 \$ 11,073,567.28.

The Board approved the Bill Lists dated March 27, 2018 with the first Bill List in the amount of \$287,676.81 and the second bill list in the amount of \$3,761,366.95, as submitted.

The Board approved a resolution for a shared services agreement between Gloucester Township and the Cherry Hill Board of Education for signage.

The Board approved a resolution binding the Cherry Hill Public Schools to purchase electric generation services through the Alliance for Competitive Services (ACES) Bid Cooperative Pricing System.

The Board approved a resolution binding the Cherry Hill Public Schools to purchase natural gas services through the Alliance for Competitive Services (ACES) Bid Cooperative Pricing System.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of bids to rebid student transportation services to and from school for the Extended School Year (ESY) program – in district special education 2018/2019 school year.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of bids to multiple vendors for student transportation to and from school for the Extended School Year (ESY) – out of district special education 2018/2019 school year to multiple vendors as detailed in the March 27, 2018 Action Agenda.

The Board approved the preliminary budget for the 2018/2019 school year for submission to the County Superintendent of Schools for the Department of Education for review, with a total base budget of \$208,245,467 and a local tax levy of \$175,752,928.

The Board approved a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year that may not be exceeded for the 2018/2019 school year as \$166,930 in the general fund and estimated \$25,000 in the special revenue fund.

The Board approved the use of capital reserve to fund approved projects for the 2018/2019 school year.

The Board approved DCP&P and McKinney-Vento students out of district placements for the 2017/2018 school year.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of transportation for wheelchair and route to Carusi Middle School.

The Board approved the award of contract renewals for the 2018/2019 school year for student transportation.

The Board approved the acceptance of donations:

- A monetary donation from the Cherry Hill Education Foundation (CHEF) to Sharp Elementary to be used for popular books, DVDs and instruction: \$1,200.
- A monetary donation from CHEF to Cherry Hill High School East to be used for additional Project Graduation funding: \$1,500.
- A monetary donation from CHEF to Cherry Hill High School West to be used for additional Project Graduation funding: \$1,500.
- A monetary donation from CHEF to Sharp Elementary to be used for Orff xylophones and method books: \$5,193.
- A monetary donation from CHEF to Barton Elementary to be used for courtyard furniture: \$2,849.
- A monetary donation from CHEF to Beck Middle School to be used for two 3-D printers: \$7,022.
- A monetary donation from CHEF to Carusi Middle School to be used for a recording studio and music tech: \$3,962.
- A monetary donation from the West Baseball Booster Club to Cherry Hill High School West to be used for 2 batting cages at West Varsity field: \$12,000.

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 for certificated and non-certificated staff, assignment/salary changes, and other compensation.

The Board approved a revised job description.

Policies & Legislation Committee

The Board approved the first reading of Policies:

- Policy 2431: Athletic Competition (revised)
- Policy 5512: Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (revised-mandatory)
- Policy 5533: Student Smoking (revised-mandatory)Revised)

The Board approved a waiver of regulation 2340: Field Trips for Cherry Hill High Schools East and West for DECA International Career Development Conference, April 23-25, 2018.

The Board approved the second reading of Policies for adoption as presented:

- Draft Policy 8467: Weapons
- Draft Policy 8469: School Security Program

The Board approved Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying Investigation Decisions.

The Board approved a Resolution on Gun Violence.

Strategic Planning

The Board approved a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the Long Range Facilities Plan to reflect a proposed school facilities project, and to submit documentation of the details of the plan to the New Jersey Department of Education. The Board authorized and directed the Board President, the Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent-Business/Board Secretary, the Architect, the Board Solicitor and Bond Counsel, as applicable, to take all action required to preserve the opportunity to present the Project to the voters via a bond referendum at a Special School District Election to be held on October 2, 2018.

The official minutes of the March 2018 Board of Education Meeting will be posted on the district web site following their approval at the April 24, 2018 Action Meeting. For more information, contact the Public Information Office at publicinfo@chclc.org or (856) 429-5600.