



## Cherry Hill Board of Education

# Notes

### Highlights from the January 2018 Action Meeting

#### Presentations

The Cherry Hill High School East and Cherry Hill High School West African American Culture Clubs presented a preview of the upcoming “Still Rising – A Celebration of Black History Month.”

#### Board Representative Reports

Cherry Hill High School West Representative Carlee Cohen reported that more than 200 West DECA members competed in the Southern Gold Regional Conference on January 8, with more than 70 students qualifying for states. She noted that Phantom of the opera auditions had concluded and rehearsals had begun. She noted that the play will open March 16. Ms. Cohen also detailed the Purple Carpet Gala for the premier of a video highlighting the school’s partnership with Virtua Hospital, offering students hands-on internships within the high school curriculum. She added that in sports, both the wrestling team and the bowling team were having standout seasons. Ms. Cohen also mentioned the work of Peer Leaders who visited health classes with mini lessons on improving listening. She concluded by noting that the second half of the school year was beginning.

Cherry Hill High School East Representative Joshua Sodicoff reported that the Freshman Dance was held on the first Friday of the month. He also summarized East’s participation in the DECA regional competition, with several students advancing to states. Mr. Sodicoff described East’s first “Unity Day” in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He noted that the East Vocal Department had held its winter concert and that the student musicians had hosted students from Beck and Rosa Middle Schools for a day of workshops. Mr. Sodicoff also mentioned the upcoming instrumental and theater

events, including the spring musical, “The Music Man.” He described the swim team’s strong showing this season, as well as the winter track team’s successes.

#### 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 the Extended School year program (ESY) for 2018.

#### Business & Facilities

The Board approved the financial reports for November 2017, 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 \$10,718,745.15.

The Board approved the Bill Lists dated January 23, 2018 in the amount of \$ 2,319,491.88, the second bill list in the amount of \$4,744.75 and the third bill list in the amount of \$ 311,308.75 as submitted.

The Board approved multiple awards of transportation as detailed in the December 19, 2017 Action Meeting agenda.

The Board approved the acceptance of donations:

- A monetary donation from Mr. Scott Burnham to A. Russell Knight Elementary to be used for miscellaneous computer equipment: \$2,000.
- A monetary donation from the Beck PTSA to Beck Middle School to be used for flipper tables and chairs for the media center: \$ 7,775.82.
- A monetary donation from CHEF to Cherry Hill High School West to be used for Project Graduation: \$1,000.

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### **Business & Facilities**

- A monetary donation from CHEF to Cherry Hill High School East to be used for Project Graduation: \$1,000.

### **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.

### **Policies & Legislation Committee**

The Board approved the second reading of Policies:

- Draft Policy 2700: Services to Non Public School Students
- Draft Policy 7100: Long Range Facilities Planning
- Draft Policy 7101: Educational Adequacy of Capital Projects
- Draft Policy 7102: Site Selection and Acquisition

- Draft Policy 7130: School Closing
- Draft Policy 7300: Disposition of Property
- Draft Policy 7481: Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones)

The Board approved first reading of Policies:

- Draft Policy 3437: Military Leave (Revised)
- Draft Policy 4437: Military Leave (Revised)
- Draft Policy 7440: School District Security (M) (Revised)
- Draft Policy 7441: Electronic Surveillance in School Buildings and on School Grounds (M) (Revised)
- Draft Policy 8507: Breakfast Offer Versus Serve (OVS) (M) (Revised)
- Draft Policy 8630: Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility (M) (Revised)

The Board approved Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying Investigation Decisions.

### **Strategic Planning**

No items.

*The official minutes of the January 2018 Board of Education Meeting will be posted on the district web site following their approval at the February 27, 2018 Action Meeting. For more information, contact the Public Information Office at [publicinfo@chclc.org](mailto:publicinfo@chclc.org) or (856) 429-5600.*