

## Cherry Hill Board of Education

# Notes

### Highlights from the August 2017 Action Meeting

#### Presentations

Cherry Hill High School West junior, Brie Leftwich, was recognized for winning Sacred Heart University's National Playwriting Competition.

#### Board Representative Reports

Because neither Cherry Hill High School East Representative Joshua Sodicoff nor East Alternate Representative Lauren Atkin could attend the meeting, Cherry Hill High School West Representative Carlee Cohen read the East report on their behalf. The East report included an overview of the summer workshops related to the Common App and test preparation, as well as the summer practices for fall sports. Also noted was the implementation of "day zero" as the first day of high school this year, allowing students to visit each of their eight periods of classes on the first day. The report concluded with a mention of the importance of the upcoming Freshman Orientation.

Ms. Cohen then delivered her report regarding Cherry Hill High School West. She reported that West was "hustling with activity" and that all fall sports practices were underway. She also noted that West had hosted its second Common App workshop for students and parents. She added that the West Peer Leader retreat at Camp Ockanickon would be taking place during the coming week. She noted that the Freshman Orientation would include a scavenger hunt and a barbecue to help ease students' nerves and welcome the new students into the "West family." She added that a parent orientation would take place that evening. Ms. Cohen completed her report by mentioning that Back to School Night at West would take place on September 14.

#### Curriculum & Instruction

The Board approved Professional Development Plans Chart of Fiscal Responsibility for the 2017-2018 school year.



**The Board of Education recognized Cherry Hill West junior, Brie Leftwich, pictured above, center, with her parents, for her win of Sacred Heart University's National Playwriting Competition.**

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 a Services Contract with NJ Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired 2017-2018.

The Board approved a Professional Services Agreement.

#### Business & Facilities

The Board approved the financial reports for June 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 \$ 2,743,223.03.

The Board approved the Bill List dated August 22, 2017 in the amount of \$ 1,856,049.92.

The Board approved the School Alliance Insurance Fund Resolution to join for additional lines of coverage.

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### **Business & Facilities**

The Board approved the Rate Schedule for Professional Services with SPSK for Comprehensive Legal Services.

The Board was unable to approve a resolution for the award of bids for crawl space ventilation and modifications related to work at Barton Elementary School because no bids were submitted.

The Board approved a resolution for the award of bids for student transportation services and school related activities/athletics for the 2017-2018 school year.

The Board approved multiple awards of transportation as detailed in the August 22, 2017 Action Meeting agenda.

The Board approved the acceptance of donations:

A monetary donation from the Mann PTA to be used for 4 smart boards for 4 classrooms: \$22,000.

A monetary donation from the Cherry Hill Education Foundation (CHEF) to the Cherry Hill School District to be used for Mt. Misery Programs: \$5,000.

A monetary donation from CHEF to Kingston Elementary School to be used for 45 Adult Ball Chairs – Flexible Seating: \$4,630.

### **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 5116: Education of Homeless Children
- Draft Policy 8550: Unpaid Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Charges

The Board approved the first reading of Policy:

- Draft Policy & Regulation – 5330.01: Administration of Medical Marijuana

### **Strategic Planning**

No items.

*The official minutes of the July 2017 Board of Education Meeting will be posted on the district web site following their approval at the August 2017 Action Meeting. For more information, contact the Public Information Office at [publicinfo@chclc.org](mailto:publicinfo@chclc.org) or (856) 429-5600.*