



OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

10/21/2024 [07:00 PM-09:00 PM] @ 418 S. 24th Street Camp Hill PA 17011

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1. Call to Order

Minutes

Mrs. Gurgiolo called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the pledge to the flag.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Minutes

Melanie Gurgiolo (President), Meredith Bowen, Josceylon Buchs, Neil Connelly (Vice President), Melissa Howard, Gregory Lamay, Karen Mallah, Geoffrey McInroy, Dan Serfass (Superintendent), and Kerry Martin (Secretary).

Mr. Gale was not present.

Community/Staff Attendees are available on the attached list.

4. Information Only

4.a. Eisenhower Elementary Leader in Me Service Learning Project Fundraiser

Minutes

Eisenhower students, Maggie, Evie, Ellie, and Lilianna, shared information about their planned apple cider and baked goods sale on November 9th from 10 AM-2 PM to raise money to donate to the Maui rebuilding following the wildfires several years ago and the plan to gather items to donate to support hurricane relief in the southern United States.

Mrs. Spinelli shared that the effort was completely student led.

Mrs. Gurgiolo recognized the students for their efforts. Mrs. Buchs expressed the Board's excitement at the scheduled event. Mrs. Gurgiolo asked if they are soliciting donations of baked goods, and Mrs. Spinelli confirmed. Mr. Serfass shared that information about the fundraiser would be published in a future Blackboard message.

Mr. Lamay made a motion to approve the fundraiser, and Mrs. Buchs seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4.b. Lion Foundation Presentation: "By the Numbers" (Kelly Falck)

Minutes

Mrs. Falck shared an update to the Board regarding the Lion Foundation grants awarded so far for the 2024-2025 school year. She shared that in the past year, the Foundation changed its fiscal year to align with the District's fiscal year and moved the due date to March for annual grants to be renewed for the 2024-2025 school year and that new grant requests are now being reviewed and responded to monthly at the Lion Foundation monthly meetings.

Mrs. Falck shared that as of October 14, 2024, \$174,765 has been committed in support of District programs with \$76,952 committed to 24 new Great Idea programs and \$97,813 committed to 35 annual programs. She shared that the majority of the approved programs are related to academics and include field trips, academic programs, athletic programs, career education programs, community programs, Besch Fund programs, and several wellness programs. Mrs. Falck also shared information about the program designated funds, which support purchases specific to the individual sports. She shared that \$56,424 has gone to career exploration programs; \$49,551 has gone to academic programs; \$30,992 to field trips; \$19,962 to athletics; \$5,015 to community programs; \$4,500 to extracurricular programs; \$4,320 to wellness; and \$4,000 to Earl Besch. She shared that much of this information will also be shared with the community in an upcoming Borough newsletter. She also shared information about community outreach flyers and highlighted the Trick or Trot fundraiser for Earl Besch on November 2nd.

Mr. Connelly highlighted how essential the Lion Foundation is to the District and asked where they were at this point last year as far as grants awarded. Mrs. Falck shared that last year they ended with about \$200,000 awarded, and they are balancing their responsiveness with their annual available funds. Mr. Connelly asked how many people are involved in the grant review process. Mrs. Falck shared that the full Lion Foundation Board of 25 people complete the administrative review of grants. Mr. Serfass shares that he meets with the Foundation leadership to prepare prior to the full meeting. Mrs. Gurgiolo shared that teachers will often show up to the Foundation meetings where their grant is being reviewed to explain the need and answer any questions.

Mrs. Bowen asked for clarification on the designated funds. Mrs. Falck shared that the only standard allocation is from the Besch Fund to individual buildings, but all other funds are solely funded by donations and fundraising to the specific designated funds. Mrs. Gurgiolo pointed out that the rest of the non-designated funds go toward the other grants.

Mr. Serfass expressed gratitude on behalf of the Board for work on the reunion, which was a very successful event. Mrs. Falck shared that two interns are helping to clean up the alumni database to assist in future events.

5. Agenda Approvals

5.a. Approval of Agenda

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connelly to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

5.b. Minutes from Previous Meeting

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connelly to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2024, Work Session and the September 16, 2024, Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

5.c. Bills List

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connelly, to approve the attached Bills List. The motion passed unanimously.

5.d. Treasurer's Report

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connelly, to adopt the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Report of Officers and Others

6.a. President (Mrs. Gurgiolo)

Minutes

Mrs. Gurgiolo shared that the Board meeting is a part of an exciting week in Camp Hill School District and highlighted the success of the Camp Hill Marching Band over the weekend.

6.b. Secretary (Mrs. Martin)

Minutes

Mrs. Martin had no report.

6.c. Solicitor (Mr. Pahowka)

Minutes

Mr. Pahowka was not present.

6.d. Superintendent (Mr. Serfass)

Minutes

Mr. Serfass shared that students would be dismissed at 2:30 PM on Wednesday with parent permission and shared information regarding post-season athletic events on Wednesday, October 23rd. He also highlighted great seasons from the band, cross country, tennis, and golf.

Mr. McInroy asked for clarification on game timing and reminded families to be there early to get into the stadium by game kickoff time. Mr. Serfass reminded families that tickets cannot be paid for with cash and that tickets for each individual game must be purchased.

Mr. Serfass shared that the enrollment report is attached to the agenda and that the first marking period will end on Tuesday.

7. Report of Board Representatives

7.a. Community Recreation (Ms. Bowen)

Minutes

Ms. Bowen shared updates on upcoming community events including:

- Halloween Parade and costume contest on October 28th
- Trick or treat on October 31st from 6-8 PM
- Holiday tree lighting on December 5th from 6-8 PM with fire pits, cookies, and hot chocolate available for attendees.
- Parade of Lights on December 6th-7th with Toys for Tots. December 1st is setup and December 8th is the teardown, and volunteers are needed. Community members should contact the Borough if they wish to volunteer. December 6th will be the Toys for Tots parade.
- Borough Council sponsoring Miracle on 34th Street with various holiday goods and food vendors.
- Home decorating contest is the week of December 11th.
- Volunteer of the Year Award nominees accepted by the Borough through November 1st.
- Rec basketball evaluations on November 7th

7.b. Cumberland Perry Area Career and Technical Center (Mr. Lamay)

Minutes

Mr. Lamay shared that the minutes from the September 23rd meeting are attached. Highlights included the student presentation which shared the good things the co-op program is doing for students. He also shared that middle school tours will take place this week with at least 3,500 students touring on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Mr. Lamay shared an update on the status of the renovation from the Interim Executive Director with a goal to put the redesign out to bit in December.

7.c. District/Borough (Mrs. Gurgiolo)

Minutes

Mrs. Gurgiolo shared that there was a meeting on September 25th and shared a concern from a resident regarding student parking and leaving trash. She asked parents to remind students not to park in front of driveways and shared that the District has requested that police circle around to identify issues. Mr. Serfass shared that the District has spoken with students and that there has been a marked improvement. Dr. Mallah pointed out that the issue is not just driveways but also parking too closely to parallel parked cars, which prevents residents from being able to leave from the spot.

Mrs. Gurgiolo shared that they discussed the ongoing meetings, communications, and planning between the District and the Borough in the areas of safety and security and that the crossing guards have been working well. She shared discussion on the public works renting space in the PAC and their wish to place a storage container on the property, homecoming, and the Seibert Park Trail opening.

She shared information about community engagement, the community ESL program, the Lion Foundation Community Outreach, New Hope Ministry mobile pantry, Earl Besch, and upcoming Borough activities.

7.d. Harrisburg Area Community College (Mr. Gale)

Minutes

Mrs. Gurgiolo shared that Mr. Gale is recovering from a medical procedure and is not present.

7.e. Performing Arts Center Advisory Council (Dr. Mallah)

Minutes

Dr. Mallah shared that the high school play, One Stoplight Town, will be on November 8th-10th at the PAC.

7.f. Capital Area Intermediate Unit (Mrs. Gurgiolo)

Minutes

Mrs. Gurgiolo shared that the All-In and minutes are attached to the agenda.

8. Comments from Citizens

Minutes

Mr. Connelly read the public comment statement. Dr. Mallah clarified the Board's contact email address.

1. Sherry Bowman: Expressed concerns over the Bullying/Cyberbullying Policy and suggested areas for greater detail.

Mr. Connelly confirmed the correct Board distribution email.

9. Policies

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. McInroy to approve Policy 216 Student Records, 801 Public Records, 701.1 Naming of Facilities, and 626.1 Travel Reimbursement-Federal Programs. Mr. Serfass shared that no public comments were received during either the first or second reads of the policies. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Superintendent Serfass Contract Renewal

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. McInroy, to approve the renewal of the Superintendent Contract with Mr. Serfass. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Student Disciplinary Waiver Resolution

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. McInroy, to approve the Student Disciplinary Waiver Resolution for two students. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Engagement Letter

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. McInroy, to approve the Engagement Letter with Wisler Pearlstine, LLP, as special legal counsel. The motion passed unanimously.

13. York College Research Request

Minutes

Mr. McInroy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Connelly, to approve the York College Research Request from Dr. PJ Verrecchia. Mr. Connelly pointed out the parental approval form attached to the agenda and indicated that parents can opt their child out of the survey. The motion passed 7-1 with Mr. Lamay voting no.

14. Elementary Band Instrument Surplus

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Buchs, to approve the removal of band instruments that are unplayable and in need of significant repair from the District's inventory and sell them to Horn Hospital for \$290. The motion passed unanimously.

15. Eisenhower Fencing

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mr. McInroy, to approve the installation of a fence around the Eisenhower playground. The motion passed unanimously.

16. 2024-2025 Rohrer Bus Agreement

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Buchs, to approve the 2024-2025 Rohrer Bus Agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

17. Human Resources Director Contract

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Buchs, to approve the Human Resources Director contract with Mrs. Russell. The motion passed unanimously.

18. Personnel Report

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Buchs, to approve the attached personnel reports. Mr. Lamay commented that, with the number of students involved, there may be a need for additional paid coaches to attend multiple wrestling events. Mr. Serfass shared that a position was added when girls' wrestling was added and agreed to meet with Mr. June and Mr. Gallaher again to discuss wrestling staffing. The motion passed unanimously.

19. Adjournment

Minutes

Mr. Lamay made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Mrs. Buchs. Mrs. Gurgiolo adjourned the meeting at 7:59 PM.

In-Person Attendees:

Dr. Borrelli

Mrs. Ivey

Mrs. Rhinehart

Mrs. Russell

Dr. Fauser

Meghan Spinelli

Kelly Falck

Claire Pelella

Elora Pelella

Barbara Fickel

Lisa Benlie

Elaine Klick

David Klick

Evie Klick

Maggie Smeltzer

Susan Smeltzer

Brandon Smeltzer

Sherry Bowman

Online Attendees:

Sharon Hanson

Micki Kautz

Mr. Zangle

Scott

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