

PENN-TRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Harrison City, Pennsylvania

May 7, 2018

The Board of School Directors of the Penn-Trafford School District held its monthly Superintendent's Information/Committee meeting in the LGI Room at Penn-Trafford High School in Harrison City, Pennsylvania on Monday, May 7, 2018.

Mr. Philip Kochasic, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mrs. Toni Ising, Dr. Scott Koscho, Mr. Bill Leonard, Mr. Dallas Leonard, Mr. Jim Matarazzo, Mr. Richard Niemiec, Mr. Martin Stovar, Mr. Phil Kochasic, Mr. Brett Lago, Board Secretary, Ms. Christina Lane, Solicitor, Dr. Matthew Harris, Superintendent, Mr. Scott Inglese, Assistant Superintendent, and Mr. Greg Karazsia, Director of Student Learning Supports. Mrs. Horvat, Mr. Simpson, and Dr. Coiner were also present.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

Mr. Leonard, IU #7 Representative had nothing to report.

Mr. Petrucci, CWCTC Representative, reported that at the April 18 meeting there was some further discussion about the lack of road access to the CWCTC. The CTC is graduating 276 students this evening (May 7). He also gave updates on safety, gas lines and next year's enrollment. Next meeting will be May 16.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Kochasic announced that an executive session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters and negotiations.

INFORMATION:

The following students were honored as Students of the Month:

- Aidan Coiner – 5th grade / Sunrise Estates Elementary School
- Makayla Casario – 7th grade / Penn Middle School
- Ashten Wagner and Kaylee Kedzierski – 12th grade / Penn-Trafford High School

Before introducing their students, each principal updated the board about activities at their school. After they introduced their students, the students were awarded certificates. The board members congratulated them and they had their pictures taken for the newspaper.

Mr. Lago presented the tentative 2018-2019 district budget.

ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR

Dr. Harris reported that he would be asking the board to:

- Accept a resignation
- Approve volunteer coaches
- Employ personnel
- Amend contract with Excelsa Health to provide additional Athletic Trainer

BUDGET AND FINANCE

Dr. Harris reported that he would be asking the board to:

- ***Tentatively approve district budget for the 2018-19 school year - ACTION ITEM***
- Designate S&T Bank and/or its successor as Treasurer of the Penn-Trafford School District for the 2018-2019 school year
- Approve compensation rates for the 2018-19 school year
- Approve quote for Acer chromebooks for Penn and Trafford Middle Schools

ACTION ITEM

A motion was made by Mr. Stovar and seconded by Dr. Koscho to tentatively adopt the preliminary budget for the Penn-Trafford School District for the 2018-19 school year in the total amount of \$56,418,807.00 for advertisement and publication in accordance with district policy and the School Laws of Pennsylvania. The preliminary budget calls for a 1.0 mill increase in real estate taxes for a total of 83.25 mills. The rate for Allegheny County will be 15.68.

A motion was made by Mr. Petrucci and seconded by Dr. Koscho to amend the original motion and add one mill to reimburse all Plancon revenue that has been designated for annual expenses. All future Plancon revenue will be spent on one-time expenses only.

Roll call vote: Mrs. Ising: no; Dr. Koscho: yes; Mr. B. Leonard: no; Mr. D. Leonard: no; Mr. Matarazzo: yes; Mr. Niemiec: no; Mr. Petrucci: yes; Mr. Stovar: yes; Mr. Kochasic: no. Result of vote: 4 yes; 5 no; 0 absent. Motion failed.

Roll call vote on the original motion: Mrs. Ising: yes; Dr. Koscho: yes; Mr. B. Leonard: yes; Mr. D. Leonard: yes; Mr. Matarazzo: yes; Mr. Niemiec: yes; Mr. Petrucci: yes; Mr. Stovar: yes; Mr. Kochasic: yes. Result of vote: 9 yes; 0 no; 0 absent. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Petrucci and seconded by Mrs. Ising to add one-half mill as a separate line item as a safety net for loss of Plancon revenue reimbursement. The

revised preliminary budget calls for a 1.5 mill increase for a total of 83.75 mills. The rate for Allegheny County will be 15.77.

Roll call vote: Mrs. Ising: yes; Dr. Koscho: yes; Mr. B. Leonard: yes; Mr. D. Leonard: yes; Mr. Matarazzo: yes; Mr. Niemiec: yes; Mr. Petrucci: yes; Mr. Stovar: yes; Mr. Kochasic: yes. Result of vote: 9 yes; 0 no; 0 absent. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL AND CURRICULUM

Dr. Harris reported that he would be asking the board to:

- Approve substitute teachers and support personnel for the month of May 2018
- Employ personnel
- Approve leave requests
- Authorize the administration to issue "Reasonable Assurance of Employment" notices to all eligible employees for the 2018-2019 school year
- Approve the opening of extracurricular position
- Approve textbooks for the 2018-2019 school year
- Approve intern assignment
- Approve field trip request to the UCA National High School Cheerleading Championships
- Approve expulsion agreement

POLICY/PUBLIC RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE/TITLE II

Dr. Harris reported that he would be asking the board to:

- Accept and file Information/Committee meeting minutes of April 9, 2018
- Approve the list of graduates of the "Class of 2018"
- Approve Chapter 339 K-12 Comprehensive School Counseling Program
- Final approval of revised board policy attachment and administrative regulation
- Tentative approval of revised board policies and administrative regulations
- Rescind administrative regulations

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.