

PENN-TRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Harrison City, Pennsylvania

February 5, 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, February 5, 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, Christina Lane, Solicitor, Dr. Matthew Harris, Superintendent, Mr. Scott Inglese, Assistant Superintendent, and Mr. Greg Karazsia, Director of Student Learning Supports. Also present at the meeting were principals Ms. Amy Kelly, Mr. Roger Sullivan and Mr. Jeff Swartz, Student Union Representative Mr. Colton Pikovsky. Mr. Shaun Rinier, PTEA Representative, was also present.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

Mr. Leonard, IU #7 Representative reported that budgetary concerns were discussed at the IU meeting, noting a reduction of overall budget from \$569,000 to \$270,000. He stated that Dr. Conway has some progressive ideas for bringing new cash streams to the IU and noted that the Harley owners group of Latrobe annually raises funds for the Clairview School and that there are a lot of people who do good works for their local schools.

Mr. Petrucci stated that the audit report was satisfactory and it is available for review by board members upon request. Regarding CWCTC, he reported that at the January 17, 2018 meeting they discussed and approved the school calendar for 2018-19. After extensive research into Career Tech programs, the Frazier School District (Fayette County) decided to extend a contract to CWCTC for which they will pay tuition. A three-year contract will begin July 1, 2018. The CWCTC is proposing a program to place students in life skills classes for two years, then during senior year they will be placed in a co-op program spending 4 days per week on the job and one day per week in classroom for theory. Penn-Trafford enrollment was 78 kids this year at cost of \$540,000; next year we anticipate 79 kids at \$520,000. Three seniors from Penn-Trafford qualified for state competition in Hershey, PA from April 18-20. Dr. Harris added that there is an open house at the CWCTC this week for ninth graders.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Kochasic announced that an executive session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel issues, real estate and negotiations.

INFORMATION:

The following students were honored as Students of the Month:

- Madison Gent – 5th Grade/Harrison Park Elementary School
- Maura Coiner – 8th Grade/Trafford Middle School
- Josh Beers – 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.

Colton Pikovsky, Student Union Representative, announced that Mock Trial starts on Wednesday, high-school scheduling took place last month, and the Quiz team won their conference tournament and came in second in the conference.

Dr. Harris announced the following:

- A Purse Bash benefiting PTCEF will take place on March 3, 2018; tickets are \$30 .
- TDA Training (Text Dependent Analysis) will take place for reading teachers in grades 4-8 on February 14-15 and 20-21.
- Security drills have changed; one of the drills has state-required police involvement and will be advertised in advance of the drill to keep parents and community informed.
- Two students will be sending out a JROTC Survey.
- Kindergarten Registration occurred during the last week of January; 199 kindergarteners are registered. We tend to always stay around 236-240 in the Fall.
- Thank you to Penn Township, Trafford, and Manor road crews for their hard work this winter season.
- Our football team will have a Game Plan for Life breakfast with Joe Gibbs on March 7, 2018.

ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR

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

- Accept resignations
- Employ personnel
- Approve volunteer coaches
- Approve new pilot Warriorettes dance team

BUDGET AND FINANCE

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

- Approve reimbursement for credits earned by professional employees
- Approve lease agreement with Apple Computers to purchase teacher laptops

PERSONNEL AND CURRICULUM

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

- Approve substitute teachers and support personnel
- Approve leave requests
- Employ personnel
- Accept resignation
- Approve termination
- Issue professional contracts
- Approve out-of-state conference requests
- Approve band trip requests
- Approve make-up day and change in 2017-18 School Calendar

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 January 8, 2018
- Tentative approval of new and revised board policies, attachments and administrative regulations
- Final approval of revised board policy
- Approve to rescind administrative regulations

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.