September Board Brief



South Harrison Township School District

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The following information is intended to inform staff and community members of recent action taken by the Board. The information included in this brief is not intended to be complete and does not replace official Board minutes.

Highlights from the South Harrison Township School District Board of Education meeting held on September 24th.

INTRODUCTION

 Board Attorney, Mr. Allan Dzwilewski, was introduced and addressed a School Choice Issue.

CORRESPONDENCE

• E-mail from Mary Ann Giannotti complimenting South Harrison Twp. Elem. BOE and Staff.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lavender updated the Board on a variety of topics related to the District which included the following discussion items...

- School Opening & Back to School Night
- Food Service
- Strategic Plan Draft
- Common Core Implementation Team
- NJASK Trish Calandro

<u>Administrative</u> – Resolutions were made and approved for the following:

- Board Members, Business Administrator and the Director of Special Services were approved to attend the School Board Convention in Atlantic City at a cost of \$150 per member, plus hotel reservations, not to exceed \$100 per night.
- Grant Award for REAP funds was accepted in the amount of \$32,757 for the period of 7/1/2013 – 9/30/2014.

PERSONNEL

<u>Certificated Staff</u>:

David Inzinna was approved to attend the AENJ 2013 Conference on October 4, 2013 in New Brunswick at a cost of \$125 for registration plus travel.

Carolyn Olsen was appointed as Detention Monitor for the 2013-2014 school year at a rate of \$25/per hour as per contract.

Approval was given for Cheryl Burr and Kelly Fithian to attend Harassment intimidation and Bullying Workshop at EIRC, Mullica Hill, on November 19, 2013. Cost is \$139 per person.

Hiring of Jaime Welte was approved to fill the 5th grade teaching position (to be vacated by Mr. Dunner) at a salary of \$47,633, Step 1 of the salary guide. Her employment will start on October 16, 2013.

- <u>Professional Development</u>: (None)
- <u>Substitute(s)</u>:

Shawn Jiampetti was approved as a substitute teacher for the 2013-2014 school year, pending completion of paperwork.

Christopher Lewis was approved as a substitute teacher for the 2013-2014 school year, pending completion of paperwork.

TUITION

• Elisabeth Henjes was re-approved to take the following courses online at Rutgers New Brunswick for fall 2012. Cost: \$3,756. Originally approved for cost of \$3,666. Tuition was increased by \$90.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

- Approved Use of Facilities for the South Harrison Basketball Club starting September 17, 2013 and ending June 26, 2014.
- Approved Use of Facilities for the Swedesboro-Woolwich Basketball club for practices starting December 2013 and ending March 2014.

CONTRACTS

 Special Education Tuition Contract with Logan Township School District was accepted for one student for the 2013-2014 school year. Regular School Year Tuition \$16,350. One-on-one aide \$25,439. Total cost \$41,789.

POLICIES

- First reading of the following policies and regulation guide additions and amendments were approved:
 - a) Policy P3232 Tutoring Services (New)
 - b) Policy P5117 Interdistrict Public School Choice (Revised)
 - c) Regulation R5117 Interdistrict Public School Choice (New)
 - d) Policy P5120 Assignment of Pupils (M) (Revised)
 - e) Policy P5300 Automated External Defibrillators (AED) (M) (Revised)
 - f) Regulation R5300 Automated External Defibrillators (AED) (M) (New)
 - g) Policy P5533 Pupil Smoking (M) (Revised)
 - Policy P7434 Smoking in School Buildings and on School Grounds (M) (Revised)
 - Policy P7522 School District Provided Technology Devices to Staff Members (New)

- j) Policy P7523 School District Provided Technology Devices to Pupils (New)
- k) Policy P3144.12 Certification of Tenure Charges-Inefficiency (M) (New)
- Policy P3144.3 Suspension Upon Certification of Tenure Charge (New)
- m) Policy P3372 Teaching Staff Member Tenure Acquisition (New)
- n) Policy P3373 Tenure Upon Transfer or Promotion (New)
- Policy P3374 Tenure Upon Transfer to an Underperforming School (New)
- **p)** Policy P4124 Employment Contract (Revised)
- Policy P5512 Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (M) (Revised)
- r) Regulation R5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying Investigation Procedure (M) (Revised)

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- The monthly Board Secretary and Treasurer's Reports and Budget Transfers for July 2013 approved.
- Bill list was approved.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The South Harrison Township School District is operated by a nine member, elected school board. The Board meets the fourth Tuesday of each month in the school library at 7:30 p.m. All Board meetings are open to the public. The Board is committed to public involvement in school matters and is responsive to school and community needs.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

Debbie Cunningham, President Michael Brennan, Vice President Michael Finnan, Finance Chair Toni Buckley Jonathan Feinbaum Janice Huggins Heidi Lerch Jim McShea Ken White

Dr. James J. Lavender, Superintendent Mrs. Janine Wechter, Business Administrator

MISCELLANEOUS

 The next scheduled Board of Education Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.