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Study Session

The Board met in study session on Thursday, January 10, with President Crocenzi presiding.

Budget Update

Mrs. Stuck provided an update on the 2019-2020 budget and highlighted current trends as they pertain to District revenue. She also shared that administration would be recommending the District limit potential tax increases to the 2.6% adjusted index. Mrs. Stuck's presentation and detailed notes are posted on the [Business Office page](#) of the District website.

Course Selection Presentation

Dr. Jones reviewed the 2019-2020 high school course selection process and walked Board members through the [interactive course selection guide](#). Dr. Jones also highlighted the District's use of the program Naviance to help students understand how their strengths, goals, skills, and interests can lead to future careers.

2019-2020 School Calendar

Dr. Stoltz shared a draft of next year's [school calendar](#). The proposed calendar for 2019-2020 shows a starting date for students of Monday, August 26. Feedback from parents, students, community members, and staff will be collected from January 11 through February 1.

Board Meeting

The Board met in regular session on Thursday, January 17, with President Crocenzi presiding.

Cedar Cliff High School's JROTC Color Guard presented the colors for the evening. JROTC members included Freshman Quan Khoi Pham Ngo, Sophomore Aven Sandoval, Junior Thomas Sorrow, and Junior Joshua Weber. Cast members from New Cumberland Middle School's musical "Rock of Ages" performed the National Anthem.

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held December 6 and December 20, 2018, were approved.

Treasurer's Report

The Board approved the Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 31, 2018, showing invested and available funds of \$49,741,305.13.

Communications

Dr. Stoltz distributed a copy of the latest legal update from the solicitor's office.

In honor of School Director Recognition Month, Dr. Stoltz thanked the Board for their volunteer service throughout the year and presented each Board member with West Shore "swag" as a token of the District's appreciation.

Dr. Argot shared the Central Treasury Reports for Cedar Cliff and Red Land High Schools.

The Board approved the student discipline recommendations as presented.

Board Reports

Mrs. Tierney reminded the community that the [West Shore Foundation](#) is a beneficiary of the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community fundraiser on Saturday, May 18, 2019, and encouraged everyone to register.

Mr. Guistwhite provided an overview of the Board Policy Committee's work, and Mrs. Williamson shared highlights from the Board's recent visit to Fishing Creek Elementary.

Mrs. Moyer expressed her condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Wilbur Wolf, Jr. Additionally, she extended her sympathy to those who worked with him at Big Spring School District and Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School (CPAVTS).



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Community Based Instruction participants Samuel Smyth and Tyler Smyers shared highlights from their experience in the program and favorite things about working at the CBI worksites.

Recognition by the Board

The Board recognized Elise Sengoz, fifth grade student from Highland Elementary, who has art featured in the 2019 Pennsylvania Attorney General's Drug-Free calendar.

Dr. Stoltz introduced Mr. Justin Bruhn, CPAVTS Administrative Director. Mr. Bruhn thanked the District for its support and introduced two West Shore seniors to speak about their academic and professional accomplishments at CPAVTS. Crystal McQuillen, Cedar Cliff High School, spoke about the Criminal Justice program, and Makenna Garrett, Red Land High School, provided highlights from her time in the Culinary Arts program. Mr. Bruhn also shared that in the fall, CPAVTS will have its first off-site program offering dual enrollment courses. The new course will be in the health services field.

Mrs. Hoff, District Transition Coordinator, with Cedar Cliff Junior Samuel Smyth and Red Land High School Junior Tyler Smyers, presented information about West Shore's Community Based Instruction program.

Seniors Shannon Belz and Parker Duffie presented Board reports for [Cedar Cliff](#) and [Red Land](#). Their reports are available on the Daily Announcements page of each school website.

Board Shout Outs

Dr. Whye gave a shout out to District students for the work they are doing and to the Board members for their support and dedication.

Mr. Kambic expressed his condolences to the families of Mr. Wolf and Mr. Bill Pines, District Game Worker. Mrs. Crocenzi also expressed her condolences and shared some personal stories about her time working with Mr. Wolf.

Recognition of the Public - Opportunity for Students to Speak

No students addressed the Board.

Recognition of the Public - Agenda Items

Mrs. Elizabeth Reilly, second grade teacher at Washington Heights Elementary who is retiring at the end of the 2018-2019 school year, shared memories from her 34 years with the District and expressed her thanks for the support she and her family received over the years.

Business Items

Bills for Approval

The Board approved bills for the period December 20, 2018, through January 9, 2019, listing checks which totaled \$2,294,700.71.

Refunds

The Board approved one refund for 6,574.59, as presented.

Personnel & Budgetary Transfers

The Board approved all personnel items and budgetary transfers as presented.

2019-2020 Budget Resolution

The Board adopted a resolution indicating the District will not raise property taxes by more than the 2.6% adjusted index for 2019-2020. By doing this, the Board foregoes the preliminary budget process in January-February 2019 and is only subject to the traditional June budget timeline.

Additionally, the District cannot seek referendum exceptions from PDE or the Court of Common Pleas to raise taxes beyond its index, and cannot ask voters in the May primary election to authorize increasing any tax rates beyond 2.6%.

Lease Agreement - Postage Equipment

The Board approved a 60-month lease with Neopost, Mailfinance Inc. for postage and mailing equipment at the Administration Center at a monthly cost of \$347.62.

Board Policies

The Board approved revisions to Board Policies 006: Meetings, 311: Reductions in Staff, and 701: Facilities Planning. The Board also approved New Board Policy 908.2: Custodial Rights while repealing Board Policy 238: Parent of Record.

Student Trips

The Board approved the following student trips for Cedar Cliff High School:

- Chesapeake Bay Foundation Field Trip
Port Isobel West Study Center, Tangier, VA
March 11-13, 2019
- Technology Student Association (TSA)
Conference and Competition
Seven Springs Resort, Champion, PA
April 10-13, 2019
- Leadership Club Winter Wilderness
Leadership Adventure Trip
Pine Grove Furnace State Park, Gardners, PA
February 3-4, 2019

Staff Attendance at Professional Meetings

The Board approved the requests for staff attendance at professional meetings as presented.

Highway Occupancy Permit Owner Indemnity Agreement

The District continues to work through the approval processes required to construct the new Rossmoyne Elementary. Part of the land development plan and Highway Occupancy Permit includes subsurface stormwater management.

The Board approved an agreement which will clarify and define the way the District and Lower Allen Township divide the rights and responsibilities between each other for the repair, replacement, and reconstruction cost of the subsurface stormwater management facilities upon receipt of the Highway Occupancy Permit from PennDOT.

Professional Services Fee Proposal

The District has been exploring the possibility of adding an outdoor dining space to Hillside Elementary. The Board approved a fee proposal for the design, specification development, production of construction documents, and construction administration for the project submitted by RLPS Architects.

Additional Services Authorization

The District is performing due diligence on a property in Fairview Township with the intent of placing a new intermediate school (grades 5-6) on the site. Part of the due diligence requires the completion of additional studies including detailed surveying, a wetlands investigation, and traffic scope determination. The Board gave authorization for administration to obtain these services from K & W Engineers, pending the successful negotiation of a purchase price for the property.

Information Items

No Information Items were shared with the Board.

Recognition of Public - General Items

No community members addressed the Board.



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Recognition Month**

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