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Board Meeting

The Board met in special session on Thursday, May 4, with President Candioto presiding.

Communications

The student discipline recommendations were approved as presented.

Recognition of the Public

Opportunity for Students to Speak / Agenda Items

No one addressed the Board.

Adoption of the Proposed Final Budget

The Board adopted the Proposed Final Budget for 2017-2018 showing planned total expenditures of \$114,272,449.

Recognition of Public

General Items

No community members addressed the Board.

Information Items

Dr. Stoltz provided an overview of the agenda for the May 11, 2017, Board meeting.

Board Meeting

The Board met in special session on Thursday, May 11, with President Candioto presiding.

Communications

No communications were shared with the Board.

Recognition by the Board

Dr. Stoltz shared that a wonderful ceremony was held earlier in the day at Red Mill Elementary School. During the event, Amazon donated over \$15,000 worth of technology and supplies to the school to support literacy and personalized learning.

Recognition of the Public

Opportunity for Students to Speak / Agenda Items

No one addressed the Board.

Business Items

Personnel

The Board approved all personnel items as presented.

Recommendation of Feasibility Study Option 1

In the fall of 2016, the [Feasibility and Facilities Committee](#) in conjunction with RLPS, began developing and refining options to address District needs and support instructional programs. Over the course of several months, the committee and Board slowly reduced the number of options until two were under consideration. Multiple opportunities for community feedback in the forms of surveys and presentations, including a town hall meeting on April 24, 2017, were made available, and the input of all stakeholders was taken into account. Based on the recommendation of the Feasibility Committee and District administration, the Board unanimously adopted Option 1, the Feeder School Concept.

During the meeting Mr. Candioto was joined by other Board members in thanking the community for its involvement at public meetings and input throughout the process.

Architectural & Engineering Design Agreement

The Board approved an agreement with RLPS, LLP for Architectural & Engineering Design Services, for projects in Phases 1 & 2 of the approved District-Wide Feasibility Study.

Parameters Resolution

The Board approved a parameters resolution authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds. This resolution does not obligate the District to incur any debt, rather it establishes the conditions under which the District may opt to incur debt at a future date for the purpose of completing the projects contained within the approved District-Wide Feasibility Study.

Disposal of Unused Items

The Board approved the sale/disposal of obsolete equipment or items no longer needed through the services of PublicSurplus.com.

Chesapeake Bay Trip

The Board approved a field trip for New Cumberland Middle School students to visit the Karen Noonan Center in Dorchester County, Maryland, from May 10-12, 2017, in order to study the ecology of the bay and its tributaries.

Appointment of Solicitor/Labor Counsel

The Board reappointed Stock and Leader, LLP, as Solicitor/Labor Counsel.

Election of Board Secretary & Treasurer

The Board reelected Dr. Argot as Secretary and Mrs. Stuck as Treasurer.

Calendar of Board Meetings

The Board approved dates and times for School Board Meetings, Study Sessions, Board Finance Committee, and Board Policy Committee Meetings for the 2017-2018 school year.

Revised Board Policies

The Board approved revisions to Board policies 101: Philosophy of Education, 111: Lesson Plans, 120: Health Education, 130: Homework, and 246: Student Wellness. The Board tabled the revision to Board Policy 808: Food Services at the request of the Administration.

Newfound Harbor Marine Institute Field Trip

The Board approved a trip for eighth grade science students from Crossroads Middle School to travel to Newfound Harbor Marine Institute in Big Pine Key, Florida, from September 20-24, 2017.

Information Items

Dr. Stoltz provided an overview of the agenda for the May 18, 2017, Board meeting.

Mr. Champion reviewed the District's online learning (cyber) program and specifically highlighted benefits for the District and students of a partnership with the Capital Area Online Learning Academy (CAOLA). Mr. Champion also presented information about Schoology, an online learning, classroom management, and social networking platform.

Dr. Argot presented the Food Services Department Update with highlights from 2016-2017 and a budget proposal for 2017-2018.

Dr. Stoltz mentioned it was Teacher Appreciation Week and that this year the District had planned several different ways to recognize teachers and other staff members for their service to our students.

Mrs. Williamson highlighted Junior Achievement's STEM project and encouraged individuals to get involved. Lastly, Mr. Kambic shared that he and other members of the Board enjoyed their recent visit to Highland Elementary School.

Recognition of Public

General Items

No community members addressed the Board.

Board Meeting

The Board met in regular session on Thursday, May 18, with Vice President Crocenzi presiding.

Cedar Cliff High School's JROTC Color Guard presented the colors for the evening. JROTC members included:

- Benjamin Delozier, sophomore
- Nathanael DuBose, sophomore
- Steve Myers, junior
- Joshua Weber, freshman



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Allen Middle School eighth grade students Maura Carey, Breyelle Charles, Paris Henning, and Skylar Skarupa on violin with AJ Frownfelter, Lauren Giovagnoli, and Allison Kulp on viola performed the National Anthem.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held April 20, 2017, were approved.

Treasurer's Report

The Board approved the Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2017, showing invested and available funds of \$32,058,905.43.

Communications

Dr. Stoltz distributed a copy of the latest legal update from the solicitor's office, Dr. Argot shared the Central Treasury Reports for both high schools, and the student discipline recommendations were approved as presented.

Dr. Falvo commended the music department and music boosters association for organizing a trip for Cedar Cliff and Red Land High School students to Walt Disney World. He shared that students were well received during their combined performances at the parks. Dr. Falvo also gave kudos to the students and staff from Allen and Crossroads Middle Schools who participated in a Big Buddies training earlier in the month.

Mr. Guistwhite highlighted the Board Policy Committee's work on the [Food Service Policy](#).

Mrs. Crocenzi mentioned that she attended the morning concert at Red Mill Elementary School and was very impressed by the students and teachers. She also shared her experience as a volunteer with [Junior Achievement \(JA\)](#) and encouraged members



of the community to become JA volunteers. Lastly, Mrs. Crocenzi mentioned a recent Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School breakfast and tour held for board members.

Recognition by the Board

The Board recognized Red Land High School Seniors, Austin Abrams, Rachel Speranza, and Emalee Wrightstone for their success at the Pennsylvania Science Olympiad State Tournament.

The Board recognized Cedar Cliff High School Seniors, Maura Fleming, Nathan Helvy, Grace Holjes Avery Peiffer, Nithin Pranesh, Eric Sherbocker, Isaiah Siegl, and Christian Sponseller, with Sophomore Garrett Helvy, for their victories at the Technology Student Association (TSA) State Conference.

The Board recognized Cedar Cliff High School Seniors, Aidan Moretz, Avery Peiffer, Nada Rahmouni, and Patrick Yohe, for representing the District and the state of Pennsylvania at the National Academic Worldquest competition.

The Board recognized Cedar Cliff High School Senior Nada Rahmouni for winning two Scholastic Writing National Silver Medals and an American Voices Award.

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Avery Peiffer, Senior and Valedictorian, shared recent events from Cedar Cliff High School.

Daniel Cardona, Senior, shared recent events from Red Land High School.

Mrs. Williamson shared her experience at Red Land High School as a Junior Achievement volunteer during the JA STEM Summit and suggested those with an interest contact the District or JA about becoming a volunteer. She also gave kudos to the students currently taking the Keystone exams and to Mrs. Herbert and Mr. Slayton who welcome every car and bus to the Red Land campus each school day.

Mrs. Crocenzi thanked the Red Land Women's Club for their help and donations to support the District's homeless families.

Mr. Guistwhite gave a shout out to all of those involved with the District's [Driving Literacy Home](#) book drive and book mobile which will be distributing books and providing opportunities for students to read this summer.

Dr. Stoltz highlighted the donation from Amazon received by Red Mill Elementary School and mentioned that the District is looking to further its partnership with Amazon.

Mr. Burnheimer gave a shout out to both high schools for their work in establishing Avidum student clubs which promote activities at the building and District level supporting mental health issues and awareness.

Recognition of the Public

Opportunity for Students to Speak / Agenda Items

No one addressed the Board.

Business Items

Bills for Approval

The Board approved bills for the period April 20, 2017, through May 10, 2017, listing checks which totaled \$1,859,497.59.

Personnel

The Board approved all personnel items as presented.

Budgetary Transfers

The Board approved the budgetary transfers as presented.

Appointment of Depositories

The Board appointed PNC Bank and Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund as Depositories for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Year-End Budget Transfers

The Board approved the recommendation for the Administration to make year-end budget transfers necessary to avoid budgetary line item and categorical over-expenditures resulting from local audit reclassifications.

Food Services Management Company Renewal, Meal Price Determination, and Budget Adoption

The Board approved the Food Service Management Agreement between the District and Sodexo Quality of Life Services for the period July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018, school meal prices for 2017-2018, and the 2017-2018 Food Services budget.

Contract for Alternative Education Services

The Board approved a contract for five student placements for the 2017-2018 school year with River Rock Academy Incorporated.

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District Municipal Recognition Night

Prior to the Board Meeting on Thursday, May 18th, representatives from the District's townships and boroughs were invited to attend Municipal Recognition Night at the Administration Center.

During this event representatives from the various District municipalities were thanked by students for the commitment they

have shown to the school community and for helping West Shore to achieve its goal of "Excellence in Education."



Contract for Physical Therapy Services

The Board approved an agreement for physical therapy services to be provided by TherAbilities, Inc. for the 2017-2018 school year.

Contract for Licensed Private School Services

The Board approved a contract for two student placements for the 2017-2018 school year with New Story.

Special Education Contract

The Board approved a Special Education Contract with the Capital Area Intermediate Unit for the 2017-2018 school year.

Special Education Settlement Agreement

The Board authorized execution of a settlement agreement as recommended by counsel for the District.

Contract for Athletic Trainer Services

The Board approved the renewal of a contract for three years with Central PA Rehabilitation Services, Inc.

Cooperative Sponsorship Agreement

The Board approved a Cooperative Sponsorship of a sport (swimming/diving) between the District and the West Shore Christian Academy. Pending District III and PIAA approval, this cooperative sponsorship would go into effect for the 2017-2018 school year and extend for two years.

Adoption of Online Learning Provider

After researching online learning providers, the

District approved the Capital Area Online Learning Association (CAOLA) as an online service provider.

Learning Management System Implementation

Schoology is a learning management system (LMS) which provides an online resource for teachers to build classroom content and instruction. A small group of teachers from Red Land High School, Crossroads Middle School, and Red Mill Elementary School have been selected to be part of a three-year personalized learning pilot. The Board approved Schoology be used as the LMS for this pilot.

Staff Attendance at Professional Meetings

The Board approved staff attendance at professional meetings as presented.

Management Services Agreement

The Board approved the Management Services Agreement between the District and Aramark Management Services Limited Partnership, beginning June 10, 2017, for an initial term of approximately five years through June 30, 2022.

Information Items

Dr. Stoltz shared a report on natural gas leaks/ unknown smells at Cedar Cliff High School during the 2015-2016 school year and mentioned the report can be found on the [District website](#).

Recognition of Public

General Items

No community members addressed the Board.