

WORK SESSION AGENDA

December 4, 2018

UNITED SCHOOL DISTRICT - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

“A TEAM OF TEN”

Gary Arblaster
Leah Bakaysa
Trudy DeRubis

James Fry
Dan Henning
Tommy Heming

Eric Matava
Sandra Mack
Ronald Moyer

Dr. Barbara L. Parkins, Superintendent

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G. Thomas Kalinyak, Director of Finance/Board Secretary
Barb Turner, Recording Secretary

Ronald Saffron, Solicitor

PRESENTATIONS

- Mr. Nathan Bevard and Mrs. Michelle Dunn are to be presenting information regarding Gifted Education at the Work Session.
- There will be a Curriculum & Instruction Committee presentation by Mrs. Patricia Berezansky prior to the Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 11th starting at 6:00pm. The information will focus on the Future Ready PA Index results and the meaning behind the dashboard components.
- Elementary students are to be at the Regular Board meeting to discuss STEAM activities happening at United Elementary.
- State Cross Country Qualifiers are to be at the Regular Board meeting to discuss their participation in this year's State competition.

WELCOME TO VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS – (If you have any comments or questions regarding items on this agenda, please use this time to direct them to the Board).

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Technology Program Coordinator – Chad Green
Supervisor of Maintenance – Clay Skedel
Director of Education – Patricia Berezansky
Elementary Principal – Lewis Kindja
High School Principal – Patricia Berezansky
Supervisor of Special Education – Francine Ressler
Director of Finance – G. Thomas Kalinyak
Superintendent – Dr. Barbara L. Parkins

ATHLETIC/STUDENT ACTIVITIES – Leah Bakaysa

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION

MOTION 1: Consider approving the following volunteer for the 2018-2019 school year, pending receipt of proper documentation:

1. Brittany Miller – High School

Roll Call: _____Approved _____Denied

BOARD POLICY – Trudy DeRubis

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION

MOTION 1: Consider approving the second reading and adoption of revisions to the following Board Policies:

1. No. 806 Child Abuse
2. No. 808 Food Services

Roll Call: _____Approved _____Denied

BUILDING & GROUNDS – Sandra Mack

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION – Dan Henning

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION continued: Dan Henning

MOTION 1: Consider approving the following items (A – C) as listed below:

- A. The activity request from Cullen Stokes to attend the Pennsylvania State Athletic Directors Association Conference in Hershey, PA, on the dates of March 19 – 22, 2019, at a cost of \$1,384.96. Budgeted funds are available.
- B. The Junior/Senior High School Curriculum Guides for the 2019 – 2020 school year.
- C. To approve the request of Farrah Thompson to accompany one (1) student, Hannah Holupka, to participate with the Indiana School District in the foreign exchange students program by traveling to France from the dates of March 20 – April 4, 2018. The only cost to the District will be the cost of substitutes. Ms. Thompson will use her three and a half (3.5) available personal days towards her absence.

Roll Call: _____ Approved _____ Denied

FINANCE – Gary Arblaster

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION

MOTION 1: Consider approving the following items (A – F) as listed below:

- A. The participation in the Eastern PA Gasoline/Diesel Consortium, managed by the Allegheny Intermediate Unit #3 for the 2019-2020 school year.
- B. To adopt the Resolution as presented to the members of the Board of School Directors and incorporated into this motion in its entirety as though more fully set forth herein, by which Resolution the District certified that for the 2019-2020 fiscal year it shall not increase any tax used for the support of the school district by a rate greater than the index of 3.4% as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education; and the District will comply with the budgeting procedures set forth in Section 687 of the Public School Code of 1949, P.S§ 6-687, as amended, for the adoption of its proposed and final budgets.
- C. The adoption of the Resolution to participate in the ARIN IU #28 cooperative purchasing program for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

FINANCE continued: Gary Arblaster

- D. The Learn Well Agreement to provide direct instruction and continuous administrative support for a student at the cost of \$40.00 per hour for 10 hours per week of instruction.
- E. The renewal of the Letter of Agreement between Pressley Ridge and United School District for coordination of services for students and families being served by both parties. This Agreement requires no cost to the District.
- F. The agreement with Idlewild Park to host the 2018-2019 District Picnic, held on May 25, 2019.

Roll Call: _____Approved _____Denied

TRANSPORTATION – Ronald Moyer

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

ARIN Report – Trudy DeRubis (Representative)

Legislative Representative Report – Eric Matava (Representative)

Technology Center – Dan Henning (Representative) – Tommey Heming (Alternate Representative)