



# Action Line

A Recap of the January 18, 2018 Special School Board Meeting and the  
January 22, 2018 Regular School Board Meeting

**At the January 18, 2018 Special Meeting, the following was presented.**

Susan Tiede, External Facilitator for the Elementary Redistricting Committee, presented the Elementary Redistricting Plan on behalf of the Elementary Redistricting Committee. She was joined by Dr. Wendy Towle, Director of Curriculum, Instruction Staff Development and Planning, who has served as the administrative liaison to the Elementary Redistricting Committee.

**Public Comment**

The Board received 26 comments from community members on the following topic:

- Elementary Redistricting.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21pm.

**At the January 22 Regular Board Meeting, the Board approved the following.**

**Priority Discussion**

**Elementary Redistricting Plan**

The Tredyffrin/Easttown School Board approved a redistricting plan to adjust the attendance areas of Beaumont, Devon and Hillside Elementary Schools. The plan was developed by the Elementary Redistricting Committee. Families of current third grade students have the option to keep their student at Devon Elementary School for the student's fourth grade year. District transportation to Devon Elementary School will be provided for these fourth grade students if needed.

**Adoption of the 2018—2019 Preliminary Budget**

At its regular meeting on January 22, 2018, the Tredyffrin/Easttown Board of School Directors voted 9-0 to adopt the 2018-2019 preliminary budget. State law requires all public school districts to adopt a preliminary budget if the school district wishes to explore the option of a tax increase that could include revenue from referendum exceptions to the Act 1 Index. Currently, the District has a projected imbalance

of approximately \$9.5 million. One of the strategies to close the estimated deficit in the preliminary budget includes revenue from a property tax increase of 2.42% comprised of the Act 1 index of 2.4% and a referendum exception of .02%. The remaining budget gap of \$6.9 million will continue to be scrutinized through the budget development process. The final budget and property tax rate for the 2018-2019 school year will be set at the June Board meeting after a series of public meetings and budget workshops.

**Under the Consent Agenda**

Minutes of the January 2, 2018 Regular Board Business Meeting

**Receive Financial Reports**

**Routine Personnel Actions**

**Resignations/Releases/Retirements**

Traci Caplan, health room nurse, HES and TEMS  
Robert Kershinski, Custodial Supervisor "B", CHS  
Heather O'Connor, teacher, VFMS  
Kimberly Rantz, Information Service Specialist - Supervisor "B", TEAO  
Veronica Rodriquez, teacher, VFMS  
Marcia Veroneau, teacher, VFES

**Leave of Absence in Accordance with Policies 4200; 4220; 4600**

Lizette Raspa, paraeducator, NEES

**Appointments**

Candida Cifone, secretary "C", TEAO  
Moira Gannon, secretary "B", CHS  
Patricia Paulits, teacher, Long Term Substitute Contract, HES  
Heidi Powel, teacher, Long Term Substitute Contract Extension, HES  
Staci Schettone, substitute teacher, District  
Christina Schoenhard, substitute teacher, District  
Mary Elizabeth Talian, homebound tutor, District  
Karen Weis, substitute general kitchen worker, District

**Probationary Period Wage Adjustment**

Maray Caravera, custodian, TEMS

**Contracted Services for the 2017-2018 School Year**

**2018 District Summer Reading Program**

The Board of School Directors approved the District-sponsored 2018 Summer Reading Program for approximately 300 eligible District-enrolled students at an approximate cost of \$137,319, pending final budget approval.

**Acceptance of Gift**

The Board of School Directors accepted with pleasure and appreciation the following donation:  
Four Water Filtration Fountains to VFES Lobby improvements including new furniture to HES

**Successful Bids**

**Contract with PowerSchool Special Education**

The Board of School Directors approved a contract between the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District and PowerSchool Special Education for services in an amount not to exceed \$37,961.00. Subject to Solicitor review/approval of the terms of the Licensed Product and Services Agreement.

**Contract with PlayPosit**

The Board of School Directors approved a contract between the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District and PlayPosit for services in an amount not to exceed \$2,795.00.

**Educational Services Agreement**

**Extended School Year Program**

**Policies Recommended for Second Reading**

The Board of School Directors adopted the following policies:

- Repeal Policy 5114: Attendance Records
- Revised Policy 5225: Student Records
- Repeal Policy 6300: Adult Education
- Revised Policy 8020: Supplies
- Revised Policy 8021: Telephones
- Draft Policy 5121: Recruitment of Student by Military Recruiters, Postsecondary Education Representatives and Prospective Employers

**Items Under Other Recommended Action**

**Revised Policy 8120: Food and Nutrition Services, First Reading**

The Board of School Directors approved Revised Policy 8120: Food and Nutrition Services, on a first reading basis, as ready for adoption at the next regular meeting.

**Resolution Opposing ESA Voucher Programs (SB 2)**

The Board of School Directors adopted a resolution Opposing ESA Voucher Programs (SB 2) after which the resolution will be conveyed to the local State Representatives, Senators, the Office of the Governor and to Pennsylvania school districts.

**Public Comment**

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- Elementary Redistricting.

**Scheduled Board Meetings for 2017-2018**

All meetings begin at 7:30 pm otherwise noted.

August 28, 2017	January 22, 2018
September 25, 2017	February 26, 2018
October 23, 2017	March 19, 2018
November 8, 2017	April 23, 2018
November 13, 2017	May 21, 2018
December 4, 2017	May 30, 2018 **
January 2, 2018	June 11, 2018

\*\* begins at 5:30 pm at the TEAO

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**Upcoming Board Meeting Dates**

- February 26, 2018, Regular Board Business Meeting—7:30 pm, CHS
- March 12, 2018, Budget Workshop I—7:30 pm, CHS

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 am.