

Tredyffrin/Easttown School District



A Recap of the April 25, 2016 Regular School Board Meeting

At the April 25, 2016 Regular Board Meeting, the Board approved the following routine personnel actions.

Resignations/Releases/Retirements

Catherine Lucas, secretary/clerk "B", CHS Anne McGibbon, paraeducator, DES Shefali Macedo, aide, CHS Darlene O'Donnell, correction from 3/28/16 agenda, teacher, HES Earle Osborne, secretary/clerk "B", CHS Christine Towers, JV Softball Coach, CHS

Appointments

Kathryn Burling, homebound teacher, District Cassandra Burris, substitute teacher, District Carolyn Collevecchio, secretary/clerk "A", VFMS Beth Davison, media specialist, Long Term Substitute Contract, VFMS Richard Jennings, custodian, CHS Eric Sandquist, substitute teacher, District Cacharel Stinson, substitute custodian, District Robert Welsh, substitute custodian, District Caron Wirth, Best Buddies Club Advisor, CHS Heather Yaeger, IEP tutor, District

Leaves of Absence for Professional Development in Accordance with Policy 4610

Karen Kilby, teacher, VFMS Leashia Lewis, counselor, CHS

Priority Discussion

Adoption of 2016-2017 Proposed Final Budget

The Board of School Directors approved the 2016-2017 Proposed Final Budget submitted by the District's administration. The Proposed Final Budget for the 2016-2017 school year is in the amount of \$128,778,788 revenue, \$1,991,604 fund balance transfers and \$130,770,392 for appropriations on a tentative basis. The budget includes a tax rate increase of approximately 3.875% or \$205 on the average assessed house in T/E. The Board will display the 2016-2017 Proposed Final Budget in prep-

aration for the adoption of the 2016-2017 Final Budget on June 13, 2016.

School Board Region Reapportionment

The Board of School Directors adopted the Resolution Authorizing the Reconfiguration and Realignment of Regional Election Districts in the Tredyffrin/ Easttown School District as included in the meeting agenda. The Resolution represents 'District Plan B' as presented during the March 28, 2016 regular School Board meeting. 'District Plan B' will realign the voting regions in order to represent almost equal populations in each region. The proposed plan is also compatible with the existing boundaries.

Approving this resolution authorizes the Solicitor to prepare and file a Petition with the Court of Common Pleas of Chester County to have approved a new voting region plan consistent with the recommendations of the Committee to adopt "Option B" to go into effect for the School Board Elections in 2017.

Under the Consent Agenda

Minutes of the March 28, 2016, Regular Board Business Meeting

Receive Financial Reports

Contracted Services

Year 2016 District Summer Reading Program Staff

Year 2016 Extended School Year Program Staff

Contract with Schoology

The Board of School Directors approved adding to the existing agreement between the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District and Schoology, Inc. for the enterprise subscription fee, technical support, and implementation services of Schoology, a Learning Management System, at a cost of \$5 per student for grades 5 and 6 per year for implementation during the 2016-2017 school year.

Agreement with George Couros

The Board of School Directors approved the agreement between the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District and George Couros for a presentation to professional staff on *Innovation and Creativity* on November 8, 2016 at a cost of \$8,500 plus travel expenses, as included in the meeting agenda.

Penn State Great Valley Conference Services Agreement

The Board of School Directors approved the agreement between the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District and Penn State Great Valley for the rental of the conference center on April 28, 2016 and May 13, 2016 at a cost not to exceed \$1,500, as included in the meeting agenda.

Acceptance of Gifts

The Board of School Directors accepts with pleasure and appreciation the following donations:

- Vex Robotics Classroom Competition Kit with Programming Software and a Mechatronic addon Kit to the Conestoga Robotics Club; and
- Ludwig Children's Drum Set Kit to the Music Department at Beaumont Elementary School

Change Order

The Board of School Directors approved the following change order:

Earthwork Remediation - Stone & Fabric: L.J. Paolella Construction, Inc. - \$10,689.00

Chester County Intermediate Unit Budgets for 2016-2017

The Board of School Directors approved the 2016-2017 Chester County Intermediate Unit Core Services Budget of \$22,397,384 with member district contributions of \$603,727 of which T/E's share will be \$67,235. The Board also approved the 2016-2017 Chester County Intermediate Unit Occupational Education Budget of \$26,482,612 with member district contributions at \$21,145,979 of which T/E's share will be \$702,725.

CHESCONET Agreement

The Board of School Directors approved the agreement with CHESCONET for fiber optic connectivity with 1000 Mbps of transport and internet services from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 for a price of \$34,000 with a two-year extension option at the same amount.

Local Auditor Services

The Board of School Directors approved a one-year extension with the firm of Mallie, Falconiero & Company, LLP, Oaks, PA, independent accountants and auditors for the District, to perform the annual financial audit of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 for a firm price of \$21,000.

Contract with Conrad Siegel Actuaries- GASB 45 Valuation Services

The Board of School Directors approved a contract to provide GASB 45 valuation services with Conrad Siegel Actuaries in an amount not to exceed \$8,300.

Appointment of Solicitor for 2016-2017 School Year

The Board of School Directors reappointed Kenneth A. Roos, of the firm Wisler Pearlstine, LLP as District solicitor for the term of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 at \$180.00 per hour for partners and senior education law attorneys, \$160.00 per hour for other associate attorneys, \$110.00 per hour for education specialist attorneys, \$100.00 per hour for assessment specialist attorneys, and \$90.00 per hour for paralegal services.

Educational Services Agreement

Policies Recommended for Second Reading

• Revised Policy 7100: Gifts and Bequests to the District

Other Action Under Consideration

Repeal of Policy 6133: Writing Across the Curriculum

Draft Policy 6194: District Issued Laptops

Revised Policy 8060: Security of District Facilities

Public Comment

The Board received comments from eight members of the public on the following topics:

- 2016-2017 Proposed Final Budget process;
- Special education costs, 2016-2017 budget, tax rate and real estate;
- Recognition of retiring staff member Cathy Lucas and T&E Care grab bag event;
- Supervision and costs of maintenance building project;

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- Healthcare costs and special education services;
- Previous budget impact of salary increases;
- Proposed tax rate and fee for the One:One laptop initiative;
- Downloading options on student laptops;
- Parliamentary procedures regarding the VFMS fencing project; and
- VFMS fencing project.

2016-2017 Scheduled Board Meetings

All meetings begin at 7:30 pm otherwise noted.

August 22, 2016 September 26, 2016 October 24, 2016 November 14, 2016 December 5, 2016 January 3, 2017 January 23, 2017 February 27, 2017 March 27, 2017 April 24, 2017 May 22, 2017 May 31, 2017 ** June 12, 2017

** begins at 5:30 pm at the TEAO

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Upcoming Board Meeting Dates

- May 9, 2016, Regular School Board Meeting 7:30 pm, CHS
- June 1, 2016, Special School Board Meeting 5:30 pm, TEAO

2015-2016 Scheduled Board Meetings

Regular Board meetings will be held at Conestoga High School, 200 Irish Road in Berwyn. All meetings begin at 7:30 pm unless otherwise noted.

August 24, 2015 September 21, 2015 October 26, 2015 November 16, 2015 December 7, 2015 January 4, 2016 January 25, 2016 February 22, 2016 March 28, 2016 April 25, 2016 May 9, 2016 June 1, 2016 ** June 13, 2016

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Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 pm.