



WORK SESSION

08/07/2023 [07:00 PM-09:00 PM]

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1. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Latham began the meeting at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the flag.

2. Roll Call

Members in attendance included: Bob Latham (President), Melanie Gurgiolo (Vice President), Neil Connelly, Laurie Kennedy, Greg Lamay, Karen Mallah, Geoffrey McInroy, and Jeff Ammerman (Secretary).

Ms. Buchs, Mr. Gale and Mr. Serfass were absent.

3. Information Only

Minutes

3.a. State Budget Update

Mr. Ammerman reported that the state budget was approved and signed by the governor. Special Education funding is \$25,000, which is \$25,000 less than the approved CHSD budget. There are some information that isn't known yet, such as building and grounds, mental health and safety and security.

3.b. Social Worker

Ms. Reely reported that the social worker position was filled by Dale Reeder, who is Laurel Life staff. He will provide individual and group therapy, working with both students and families. PCCD grant was used to fund the position.

3.c. Crossing Guard Contract

Mrs. Martin reported that there has been difficulty finding crossing guards. Two companies submitted proposals and the contract was awarded to Cross Safe by the Camp Hill Borough. Cross Safe will provide crossing guards for the 2023-24 school year. Officer Caper's video on ABC 27 sparked interest and there have been 8-9 people interested in the positions.

4. Wrestling Trip to Florida

Mr. June presented the request for the varsity wrestlers to travel to Florida to attend the Jerry Mita Tournament. CH is usually the only PA state team and the wrestlers have had positive experiences in past years. The trip is January 11 – 14 and the students will miss 2 days of classes.

There is a local wrestling tournament for the girls wrestling team on the same weekend.

5. Superintendent's Bonus

Mr. Latham reported that it is recommended that the Board of School Directors consider approving a 6% bonus for the Superintendent as a performance-related stipend. The stipend would be based on the superintendent's 2022-23 salary and would equate to \$10,030.14.

6. Partnership for Career Development

Ms. Reely reported that The Capital Region Partnership for Career Development provides CH with resources for secondary students to assist in preparing them for post-secondary education, training and employment. It also provides resources that enhance the transition services that are provided to secondary special education students as part of their Individual Education Plans. The budget impact is \$3,850 and is funded by the Lion Foundation.

The partnership is managed by the IU. The money is used to support programs such as Jr. Achievement.

7. CTC Project Update

Mr. Latham reported that Camp Hill's share of the cost of the upcoming CTC projects is \$480,559.45. This will be paid in July 2024 and will be included in the 2024-25 General Fund budget. It is recommended the payment is made in cash versus financing it.

8. Special Education Contract

Ms. Reely stated that the attached contract for an individual student placement. This is a change of location, not a new placement. It is already budgeted for the 2023-24 school year.

9. Letter of Agreement

Ms. Reely stated that the attached letter of agreement allows The Meadows to provide educational services to any CHSD students who may be hospitalized or enroll in a partial program. This agreement keeps us from having to do an individual agreement for each student. The budget impact is \$70 per day per student. There is no cost unless a student is enrolled.

10. CHSD Emergency Operations Plan

Mrs. Martin stated that the school district is continuously working on the Emergency Operations Plan. The attachment is a basic version as details are not shared publicly for safety's sake. The plan will be disseminated to local authorities and county after the Board approves it.

The plan was reviewed in an executive session mid-year. The only updates since then are contact information.

The Board discussed the possibility of reviewing the full plan in the Building & Grounds committee meeting. Mr. Latham proposed voting on it in September instead of next week.

11. Personnel

Minutes

11.a. Act 93

Mrs. Martin reported that the Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Assessment & Instruction was added to the Act 93 Agreement.

11.b. Personnel Report

Mrs. Martin reviewed the Personnel Report. An internal teacher will move into the 2nd grade opening. Interviews are set up for tomorrow to fill the position left by teacher that is moving into 2nd grade.

Mr. Connelly expressed that Mrs. Kalfas will be missed.

11.c. Extra Duty Report

Mrs. Martin reviewed the Extra Duty Report. There are still openings for a lunch monitor for the Middle School and Technology Advisor positions.

11.d. Band Personnel Report

Mrs. Martin reviewed the list.

12. Public Session for Comment

No comments

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm

August 7, 2023 Attendance Report

Kerry Martin
Autumn Reely
Jake June
Brian Lownsbery
Tonya Ivey
Minke Kooistra
Kathryn Speaks
Betsy Gayner
Melissa Howard