
MINUTES OF BOARD WORKSHOP HELD MARCH 15, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met for a work session on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 6:30 p.m., in the Library at Hempfield Elementary School. The following members were present: Charles Demarest, John Forbes, Lisa Holm, Steve Lewis, Laura Leskovac, Mary Reames, Howard Scott and Dennis Webber. Richard Rossi was absent.

Others present: Mark Ferrara, Superintendent
 Michele A. Orahood, Board Secretary
 Dr. Mark Hogue, Principal, Grades 7-8-9
 Brian S. Tokar, Principal, Grades 10-11-12
 Matt Dieter, Principal, Grades K-6
 Connie Timashenka, Special Education/Curriculum Director
 Jodi Hibbard, Technology Director
 Gene Cianci, Building and Grounds Supervisor

Teachers present: None (0)
Visitors present: Eleven (11)
News media present: One (1)

1. A walk through of the building preceded the meeting followed by a presentation from Greer Hayden, HHSDR Architects/Engineers, who updated the board on the construction at Hempfield and gave an overview of the change order savings, district requested interior changes and phasing schedule changes from Rien Construction.
2. The board heard a presentation from the 3rd Grade Boys' Basketball team which recently captured two trophies at the Sharpsville tournament.
3. Mrs. Leskovac reviewed a request received by the Activities Committee for a National Academic Tournament in Oglebay, WV.
4. Mr. Forbes reviewed the Athletic Report from the March 8 committee meeting.
 - o Football Bids 2017-2018
 - o Tennis Bids 2017
 - o Ticket Taking/Pricing Proposals
 - o Coaching/first aid training
 - o Winter sports overview
5. Mr. Demarest reviewed the Budget Committee agenda from the March 13 meeting.
 - o 8 month review, Forecast, 2017-2018 Budget
 - o 2017-2018 Lunch Prices
 - o Hempfield Elementary – Project Budget
 - o Retirements, Social Worker position
 - o Coaching/first aid training
6. Mrs. Reames announced an upcoming meeting on April 20, 2017 with Senator Brooks at MIU VI where county school districts will discuss mandates, special education funding and local concerns.
7. Mr. Webber reported that the Facilities Committee had met to review maintenance requests and equipment upgrades at the Mercer County Career Center.

8. Mrs. Reames informed the board that the next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 24 at 8:45 a.m. and distributed the agenda.
9. Received PSBA 2017 Delegate Assembly information.
10. Considered Mercer County Career Center Ballot 2017-2018 Operating Budget.
11. Considered a Change Order from Rien Construction Company.
12. Received a copy of the 2017-2018 MIU IV Budget

TOPICS REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Distributed February Board Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports.

Mr. Ferrara discussed a future proposal with METEN and a Chengdu school for the 2018-2019 school year and the status of the ASG Charter School application. He informed the board that the calendar committee had met and discussed 2017-18 school calendar options.

Dr. Hogue discussed the National Blue Ribbon School application process and thanked the teachers involved with the grant writing: Mr. Chapman, Mrs. Jewell, Mr. Stitt and Mr. Zilla.

Mr. Tokar informed the board of future CHS courses with Thiel College.

Mr. Dieter shared that the 3rd grade musical is scheduled for March 16 and students competing in the upcoming Mercer County Spelling Bee are:

4th Grade...Maggie Leskovac
5th Grade...Logan Leskovac
6th Grade...Alli McConnel

HEARING OF VISITORS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:50 p.m., the board adjourned to executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



Michele A. Orahood
Board Secretary