

# South Fayette Township School District

# Committee Meeting of the Whole

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 7:30 PM Studio, High School

#### **AGENDA**

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** – President Tom lagnemma

- Pledge of Allegiance
- 2024-2025 Budget Presentations:
  - ✓ Transportation Brandon Soubie
  - ✓ Student Support Services Dr. Rachel Andler
  - ✓ Maintenance Steve Timmins, Athan Tsourekis
  - ✓ Custodial Steve Timmins, Josh Wasserman
  - ✓ Grounds Steve Timmins
- Presentations ES/Bus Depot Proposal or Options Dan Engen
- I. CONSENT AGENDA (data in lilac) (includes common items, such as but not limited to: Minutes, Financial Reports, Tax Refunds, Gift/Donations, Expenditures)
  - 1. Consider approval of the following Financial Reports which have been reviewed by the Superintendent and Secondary Administration:

Athletic Fund Mark Keener
High School Activity Fund Sharon Aprea
Middle School Activity Fund Sharon Aprea

- Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent, Director of Finance Brian Tony, and Tax Collector Kevin Biber for Board approval of the provided list of Real Estate Refunds due to reduction in assessment and/or overpayment. (information provided)
- 3. Expenditures were submitted for Board review to be approved at the Regular Board Meeting. (information provided)

#### I. BUSINESS OFFICE (data in blue)

- 1. The Superintendent, Director of Finance Brian Tony, and Director of Student Support Services Dr. Rachel Andler recommend Board approval of an agreement (as reviewed by the solicitor) with MHY Family Services to meet the educational needs of students, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. (needs Board action taken on March 19)
- 2. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval of the proposed 2024-2025 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Program of Services Budget in the amount of \$2,263,093. The Allegheny County (AIU3) school districts' total contribution to the budget is \$1,936,965. The South Fayette Township School District contribution to the Program of Services Budget is estimated to be \$44,899.80. The districts'

final withholding allocation will be based on the District Aid Ratio and Weighted Average Daily Membership (WADM). The withholding allocations will be determined by the Pennsylvania Department of Education sometime after July 1, 2024.

- 3. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent, Director of Finance Brian Tony, and Director of Student Support Services Dr. Rachel Andler for Board approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Allegheny County Children Youth and Families (CYF), (pending review by the Solicitor), effective March 27, 2024. The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires every Pennsylvania school district to have a MOU and Transportation Agreement with the local child welfare agency. (information provided)
- 4. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent, Director of Finance Brian Tony, and Facilities Director Steve Timmins for Board approval of a 1-year extension to the current Waste Management contract for the removal of trash and recycling, effective July 1, 2024. The monthly cost will be \$2,763.92 and is included in the 2024-2025 budget.

# II. PERSONNEL (data in pink)

- 1. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval of (call as needed) substitute teachers, for the 2023-2024 school year: (needs Board action taken on March 19)
- 2. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval to hire a Building Substitute teacher in the Elementary School, effective March 25, 2024. (needs Board action taken on March 19)
- 3. The Superintendent and Elementary School Principal recommend Board approval of the leave of absence request for the Elementary School Art teacher, effective on or about June 2, 2024. (needs Board action taken on March 19)
- 4. The Superintendent and current Director of Finance/HR recommend Board approval to hire a Director of Finance, effective July 1, 2024. (needs Board action taken on March 19)
- 5. The Superintendent and Director of Finance/HR recommend Board approval to hire a Food Service Director, effective July 1, 2024. (needs Board action taken on March 19)
- 6. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval of the following leave of absence requests: (needs Board action taken on March 19)
  - Middle School Teacher, FMLA intermittent leave, effective retroactive to February 13, 2024
  - Elementary School Teacher, FMLA intermittent leave, effective date TBD
  - Intermediate School Teacher, FMLA intermittent leave, effective March 20, 2024
  - Elementary School Reading Room Paraeducator, FMLA intermittent leave, effective date TBD
- 7. The Superintendent and Elementary School Principal recommend Board approval of the retirement/resignation of the Administrative Assistant in the Elementary School, effective July 12, 2024. They have been employed by the District since August 1999.
- 8. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval of following EPRs:

Extra-curricular Nurse – Washington DC Field Trip, effective 5/17/2024-5/19/2024 Lighting Director – HS Spring Musical Flag Football Coaches – effective April-May 2024

- The Superintendent and Middle School Principal recommend Board approval for a student from Duquesne University, to complete student teaching with Orchestra teacher in the Middle School, pending receipt of required documents, effective January 13, 2025 through February 28, 2025. There is no cost to the District.
- 10. The Superintendent, Athletic Director, and Head Varsity Track & Field Coach recommend Board approval of the resignation of an Assistant Middle School Track & Field Coach effective for the 2024 season.

# III. EDUCATION (data in white)

- 1. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent, Intermediate School Principal Tom Kaminski, and Elementary School Principal Tyler Geist for Board approval to hold Summer STEAM Camps for both Intermediate and Elementary Schools students in the summer of 2024. The camps will be held from Monday, July 8, 2024, through Thursday, July 11, 2024. The morning session will run from 9:00 AM to 12:00 AM and will be open to students entering grades 4, 5, and 6. The afternoon session will run from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM and will be open to students entering grades 2 and 3. The registration fee of \$100 per child will cover the cost of all staffing and programming.
- Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Intermediate School Principal Tom Kaminski for Board approval to hold a Summer Strings Camp for Intermediate School students in the summer of 2024. The camp will be held from Monday, July 29, 2024, through Thursday, August 1, 2024. The registration fee of \$100 per child will cover the cost of all staffing and programming.
- 3. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and High School Principal Dr. Natasha Dirda for Board approval to permit Mariaeleana Amato and additional chaperones to be determined, to accompany students on a Touch of the Tropics Educational Tour to Costa Rica, from June 13, 2025 through June 21, 2025. Appropriate adult to student ratios for supervision will be assured by the administration. There will be no cost to the District.
- 4. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and High School Principal Dr. Natasha Dirda for Board approval to permit Adrienne Endy and additional chaperones to be determined, to accompany students on an Educational Trip to Quebec, Canada in July 2025. Appropriate adult to student ratios for supervision will be assured by the administration. There will be no cost to the District.

#### IV. TRANSPORTATION (data in green)

1. There are no items to discuss.

#### V. ATHLETICS (data in salmon)

1. There are no items to discuss.

## VI. CONSTRUCTION (data in white)

- Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval for DRAW Collective to proceed with the schematic design documents for a new K-2 elementary school located on the Bus Depot site.
- 2. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval for DRAW Collective to proceed with the design documents for a new Bus Depot / Maintenance Facility located on the Bus Depot site.
- 3. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval for PJ Dick to commence preconstruction services (cost estimating and project scheduling) for the IES Additions & Alterations project, new K-2 Elementary project and the new Bus Depot / Maintenance Facility project.

## VII. MISCELLANEOUS (data in yellow)

- Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval of the final reading of revised Board Policy 610 Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation.
- 2. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval of the final reading of revised Board Policy 611 Purchases Budgeted.

#### SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS TO HEAR FROM RESIDENTS AND/OR TAXPAYERS

The Board will hear comments from residents and/or taxpayers. The time limit of comments will not exceed three (3) minutes. The Board will not respond to questions during this session, but will only hear public comment. (As per revised Policy 006 – "Meetings" adopted April 26, 2022)

#### Suspend

An Executive Session may be held to discuss personnel and/or legal issues.