



South Fayette Township School District

Committee Meeting of the Whole

Tuesday, April 18, 2023
7:30 PM

REVISED AGENDA

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – President Len Fornella

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Presentation – 2021-2022 Audit – Steve Neidenberger, Hosack, Specht, Muetzel, & Wood, LLP (the audit report was in your March Board packet)
- Presentations – 2023-2024 Budgets:
 - ✓ Business Office / Human Resources – Brian Tony
 - ✓ Superintendent / School Board – Brian Tony
 - ✓ Public Relations / Communications – Brian Tony, Patrick Harrigan
- Presentation – Esports – Dr. Miller, Dr. Maurer

AGENDA APPROVAL:

1. The Superintendent and Solicitor recommend Board approval of the April 18, 2023, **revised** Committee Meeting of the Whole agenda. **The following new motion was received and added today:**
 - **The Superintendent and High School Principals recommend Board approval to hire a Chemistry teacher in the High School, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. This position is due to a retirement. (needs Board action taken on April 18)**

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 minutes from the following Board Meetings:

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

2. 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

Chris Juzwick

Middle School Activity Fund

Chris Juzwick

Board Summary Report (March 2023)

Chris Juzwick

3. Expenditures were submitted for Board review to be approved at the Regular Board Meeting. (*information provided*)

Superintendent's Monthly Report – Dr. Michelle Miller

II. BUSINESS OFFICE *(data in blue)*

1. The Superintendent, Director of Technology Rob Warfield, and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval of a Fair Market Value (FMV) 1:1 Lease of 1,000 student laptops for the Middle School, 100 staff laptops Districtwide, and 120 all-in-one computers for the High School Computer Labs at an annual reduced amount of \$261,875.72, (previously approved at the March 28, 2023 meeting) for fifty-one (51) months with Dell Financial. This is included in the proposed 2023-2024 budget. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
2. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval of the 2021-2022 School District Audit as prepared by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood, LLP. *(information provided in March)*
3. Consider the recommendation of the Superintendent and Director of Finance Brian Tony for Board approval to utilize Mockenhaupt Benefits Group to prepare the Biennial Actuarial Valuation Report for the District's OPEB amount as of July 1, 2022 and July 1, 2023, for an estimated amount not to exceed \$6,000.00. The District utilized Mockenhaupt for our previous OPEB Valuation in 2021 at a cost of \$6,000.00.

III. PERSONNEL *(data in pink)*

1. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval of (call as needed) substitute teachers and support personnel for the 2022-2023 school year. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
2. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval of Building Substitutes, one each in the Elementary School and High School, effective retroactive to April 11, 2023. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
3. The Superintendent and Elementary School Principal recommend Board approval of the leave of absence request for a Grade 2 teacher in the Elementary School, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
4. The Superintendent and Elementary School Principal recommend Board approval of the leave of absence request for a Grade 2 teacher in the Elementary School, effective for the first grading period of 2023-2024 school year. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
5. The Superintendent and Elementary School Principal recommend Board approval of the leave of absence request for a Grade 1 teacher in the Elementary School, effective on or about September 22, 2023. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
6. The Superintendent and Director of Student Support Services recommend Board approval to hire a Personal Care Paraeducator in the High School, pending receipt of required documents, effective April 24, 2023. This position is due to a resignation. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
7. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval of the following EPR for the 2022-2023 school year: **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**

Extra-curricular Personal Care Paraeducator – High School MiniTHON (effective April 28-29, 2023)
Mentor Teacher for HS Chemistry teacher (2023-2024 school year)

8. The Superintendent and Director of Student Support Services recommend Board approval of the following personnel for the Extended School Year Program that will operate for 5 weeks in the summer of 2023: **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
 - Teachers at a maximum 4.0 hours of instruction and planning per day
 - Personal Care Paraeducators at a maximum 3.5 hours per day
 - Paraeducators at a maximum 3.5 hours per day
 - School Certified Nurse at a maximum of 3.5 hours per day
 - Substitute teacher
9. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval of the reappointment of Dr. Alene D'Alesio, Program Director, Pediatric Dentistry, Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, as School District Dentist for the 2023-2024 school year. The services will be provided at no cost to the District. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
10. The Superintendent and Administrators recommend Board approval to appoint Dr. Kevin Kotar, DO, Preferred Primary Care Physicians, as School District Physician for the 2023-2024 school year at the rate of \$150.00 per hour. This is a new appointment. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
11. The Superintendent and Director of Technology recommend Board approval to hire a Help Desk Manager, effective May 1, 2023. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
12. The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent recommend Board approval for a student at Slippery Rock University, to complete student teaching with a Math teacher in the Middle School, pending receipt of required documents, effective August 21, 2023 through December 7, 2023. There is no cost to the District. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
13. The Superintendent, Athletic Director, High School Principals, and the head winter season coaches recommend Board approval of coaches for the 2023-2024 season. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
14. **The Superintendent and High School Principals recommend Board approval to hire a Chemistry teacher in the High School, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. This position is due to a retirement. (needs Board action taken on April 18)**

IV. EDUCATION (*data in white*)

1. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kristin Deichler, and High School Principals recommend Board approval of math revisions to the High School Program of Studies, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. (*information provided*) **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
2. The Superintendent recommends Board approval for the Administration to submit for applicable federal and state grants, such as but not limited to: Title I; Title II; Title III; Title IV; Safe Schools Initiatives; STEAM; and Pennsylvania Ready to Learn Grants for the 2023-2024 school year. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
3. The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kristin Deichler recommend Board approval to offer a hybrid online Summer Remediation course for Algebra I. The program will run from June 12, 2023 through July 20, 2023. The cost to the parents would be \$290.00 for residents and \$310.00 for non-residents. Salary would be at the current contract EPR rate for 40 hours of instruction. If there are 6 students enrolled, the fees would cover costs; if fewer

than 6 students are enrolled, the District would fund the difference. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**

4. The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kristin Deichler recommend Board approval to offer a hybrid online Summer Remediation course for Geometry. The program will run from June 12, 2023 through July 20, 2023. The cost to the parents would be \$290.00 for residents and \$310.00 for non-residents. Salary would be at the current contract EPR rate for 40 hours of instruction. If there are 6 students enrolled, the fees would cover costs; if fewer than 6 students are enrolled, the District would fund the difference. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
5. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kristin Deichler, and Middle School Principal Dr. Erin Crimone recommend Board approval to dispose of the list of textbooks in the Middle School as per Board Policy 706.1. The District will attempt to resell the textbooks, if not, they will be donated. **(needs Board action taken on April 18)**
 - The Call of the Wild, ISBN-10 1945644516; ISBN-13 978-1945644511
 - The Giver, ISBN-10, 0440237688
 - The Write Source 2000, ISBN-10. 0669386251; ISBN-13. 978-066938625
 - English Composition and Grammar, Second Course, ISBN-13. 978-0153118012
 - Various Thesauri

V. TRANSPORTATION (*data in green*)

1. There are no items to discuss.

VI. ATHLETICS (*data in salmon*)

1. There are no items to discuss.

VII. CONSTRUCTION (*data in white*)

1. There are no items to discuss.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS (*data in yellow*)

1. There are no items to discuss.

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.