Minutes

South Fayette Township School District

Special Meeting

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Monday, April 1, 2019
6:30 PM

The Special Board Meeting of the South Fayette Township Board of School Directors was called to order at 6:36 PM in the Commons in the High School by President Jen Iriti with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was properly advertised.

Present: Lena Hannah, Teresa Burroughs, Len Fornella, Arik Quam, Jen Iriti

Absent: Todd Petrillo, Alex Czaplicki, Paul Brinsky, Alan Vezzi

Others: Fred Wolfe, Tucker Arensberg, P.C.; Superintendent Dr. Kenneth Lockette; Director of Finance Brian Tony; Assistant to the Superintendent for Elementary Education Stephanie DeLuca; Assistant to the Superintendent for Secondary Education; Director of Technology and Innovation Aileen Owens; John Barrett, Township Manager; Gwen Rodi, Rebecca Sray, Joe Horowitz, Tom Iagnemma, John Kosky, and Cynthia Geisler, Superintendent’s Assistant/Board Secretary

Education

Quam seconded Hannah on the recommendation of the Superintendent and High School Principals Aaron Skrbin and Dr. Laura Hartzell for Board approval to permit Jim Hausman and an additional chaperone to accompany seven students to attend Project Invent, sponsored by IDEO at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California from Friday, May 17, 2019 through Tuesday, May 21, 2019. South Fayette is one of only six schools invited to attend. Appropriate adult to student ratios for supervision will be assured by the administration. The cost of the trip included in the 2018-2019 budget covers travel, lodging, and meals for four students and one chaperone. The expenses for the three additional students and chaperone will be funded through the Foundation for Excellence and the families of the seven students.

Voice Vote – All Yes

President Iriti announced this is a joint meeting with the Township Commissioners to discuss various issues.

The following items were discussed:

- Demographic Study shared with township; Feasibility Study will be done by Hayes Design Group/Murphy Weber Fox; current enrollment over 3,400 (includes outplaced students); options to accommodate growth; growth in all grade levels, with the most impact in the ES/IS/MS
- SRO assignments for the District and Township; adding a second SRO for 2020-2021; Township added two additional officers; campus security guards limitations/capabilities; Threat Assessment team; SRO monthly report
- Residential developments; revise zoning; adjust lot sizes for residential homes; useable lot space; need for more commercial development; LERTA restrictions; high taxes turning away commercial builders
- Cable channel prior and future use; outdated equipment; televise various events, next steps
SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS TO HEAR FROM RESIDENTS AND/OR TAXPAYERS

John Kosky, Millers Run Road, there is very little flat property left in the District and not fair to determine useable property; revisit bringing senior living development to the District; make home material requirements to deter some builders; tax incentives for senior residents

Fornella seconded Quam to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM.

Voice Vote – All Yes

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Cynthia Geisler, Board Secretary