

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Work Session – Wednesday, November 9, 2011
LGI Room – 7:30 pm
Morrisville Middle/Senior High School

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BOROUGH OF MORRISVILLE
Morrisville, Pennsylvania

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The regular monthly agenda meeting of the Morrisville Board of School Directors was held in the LGI Room located in the Morrisville Intermediate/Senior High School, 550 West Palmer Street, Morrisville, Pennsylvania on November 9, 2011, after due notice of the meeting had been given as required by law. Mr. Bill Hellmann, President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

The following members present on roll call:

Messrs. Buckman, Hellmann, DeWilde, Radosti, Stout, Worob, and Mrs. Ruthrauff.

Members absent were:

Mrs. Mihok and Mrs. Heater.

Quorum Present:

Also attending this evening's meeting was Mr. William Ferrara, Superintendent; Mr. Paul DeAngelo, Business Administrator; media, MEA and members of the community.

PUBLIC SESSION

Damon Miller

Mr. Miller asked if the bonfire was going to be put on the agenda.

John Perry

Mr. Perry discussed the drop ceiling to be installed in the High School cafeteria.

Morrisville Opportunity Education Foundation – MOEF

INFRASTRUCTURE/FINANCIAL/HUMAN RESOURCES

INFRASTRUCTURE

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Board action is requested to approve installation of a Drop Ceiling in the High School Cafeteria.
Mr. DeAngelo stated that this project was originally included in Act 77 Project in the amount of \$21,453. They felt this amount was excessive for a drop ceiling and it was pulled from that scope of work. They went out to get quotes and accepted the low quote in the amount of \$9,240.
2. Board action is requested to approve installation of cameras at the High School.
3. Board action is requested to approve STR Alarm as new vendor for alarm and monitoring services for the District.
4. Board action is requested to approve a Generator Project at the High School.
Mr. Ferrara asked Mr. DeAngelo to explain the Generator Project. Mr. DeAngelo stated that when the renovations were done at the high school, the boiler room was moved from the back to the front of the building. At that time, they weren't able to tie everything into the existing generator. When there is a power outage at the high school, it creates problems at the Technology end to get things up and running, and problems in the Food Service freezer/refrigeration areas. This is a two step process, the first being to determine if our current generator can handle all of our backup needs, the priority being our Technology Department. Once our needs are determined, the administration will get back to the Board with the details. The possibility of having a second generator, if necessary, if being looked into. Mr. DeWilde asked to be included in this project.
5. Board action is requested to approve the purchase of a Refrigerator for Food Service.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ACTION ITEMS:

None at this time.

HUMAN RESOURCES

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Board action is requested to approve the following appointments:
 - a. 21st Century Staff
 - b. Substitute Nurse
2. Board action is requested to approve a PCA position.
3. Board action is requested to approve a 2 hour nursing position.
4. Board action is requested to approve tenure.
5. Board action is requested to approve FMLA.
6. Board action is requested to approve a Bowling Coach.

Mr. Ferrara stated that he is looking into ARIA Health possibly providing the Substitute Nurse and 2 hour Nurse.

FINANCIAL/BUSINESS

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Mr. DeAngelo discussed and gave a presentation on the Alio Intelligence System which provides HR and financial information for our district. Mr. Buckman asked Mr. DeAngelo if this system was in place before he was employed with the district. Mr. DeAngelo stated that he started this program during his employment with the district.
2. Mr. DeAngelo gave an updated report regarding the recent Health Department inspections that were done in the district. He stated that on the website there is now a tab under Workplace Safety for the Board of Health showing all inspection reports from last year and this year.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Board action is requested to approve the 2012-2013 Budget Calendar.
2. Board action is requested to approve the 2012-2013 calendar listing for the Agenda and Business Meetings.
3. Board action is requested to approve GASB 54 requirements.
4. Board action is requested to approve Payment of Bills.
5. Board action is requested to approve the Treasurer's Report.
6. Board action is requested to approve a Tax Exemption Payment

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. High School Feedback Reporting Agreement. Mr. Ferrara stated that this is a tracking system put together by PDE to track students who recently graduated and attend college to see, during their first two years of college, how many stay in college, their grades, etc. He will discuss this item further at the regular Board meeting on November 16th.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Board action is requested to approve Donald Harm and William Ferrara to attend a conference in Hershey on December 6th and 7th.
Mr. Ferrara stated that this is a mandatory conference regarding Phase II of the Teacher Evaluation program. There are two other conferences that must also be attended at the IU which will take place later in the year.

POLICY COMMITTEE

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Board action is requested to approve Policy #620.
Mr. DeAngelo discussed the details and guidelines of this Policy.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Buckman discussed a Tax Rebate Plan that the district had in the past. He would like to look into starting a program like this again, and asked Mr. DeAngelo to touch base with Mr. Profy to discuss the legal aspects of such a program. Mr. Ferrara asked that Mr. DeAngelo have a period of two months to investigate this matter.

Mr. Buckman also discussed the State Funding Programs, particularly pertaining to our involvement with the Tech School.

Mrs. Ruthrauff asked if the MET Project could be implemented in our district. Mr. Ferrara stated that this is part of the Phase II Teacher Evaluation Project.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

John DeWilde, President

Wanda Kartal, Secretary