

BOE Highlights for meeting Thursday: 06/25/20 6:00 PM

Meeting met via Zoom due to Covid-19

Meeting begins at 6:01 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

No Executive session

Next meeting will be at 6pm on July 23rd

Motion made and passed to have meeting via Zoom.

Motion made for Katy Hamilton to do the Board Highlights. Bernie notes that this should have been removed since she is now doing Highlights at each meeting.

CSA Report: 100% attendance however not all students received passing grades. Mostly specials that did not pass despite special teachers doing everything they could to have students submit work.

Equity- big topic due to current issues. Mary is chairing the equity committee of the county superintendents.

Graduation was beautiful virtually. Ken did video and photo shopped graduation picture. Will have a real graduation when possible- maybe next Spring Break.

Teachers, Custodian, Mary and two college students have individually come in- one per day- to help arrange the classrooms so that they can be socially distanced and safe during the reopening. Desks are 6 feet apart; cannot get more than 13 (maybe 15).

Superintendent evaluation has been extended to next month (end of July). Mary will not be present on July 23 so that we can evaluate her.

Question: Ken- how comfortable is staff with coming back? Have we polled the teachers?

Answer: Mary asked if teachers were uncomfortable coming to help set up, no one was- everyone came. The NJEA will be taking an official stance soon. There may be students uncomfortable coming as well.

No HIB

Motioned by Michael Ticktin and seconded by Dan.

Finance and Facilities

H and I is to pass resolutions to be apart of the insurance fund with safe for the next few years.

2 additions made by Bernie:

J. that the BOE accept and approve the submission of NCLB Title IIA funds in the amount of \$2184.

K. IDEA Basic \$26,388 Pre School \$1418

Letter E has incorrect amounts that need to be edited.

Last year we had a large fund balance and this year we will again.

We were not harmed in new round of cuts and we should not be cut again in 20-21 however in 21-22 we may lose 90,000 in state aid.

John motions, Michael seconds.

Motion carries

No Policy

Personnel- Staff reappointments -Voice vote- carries

Curriculum- None

Outreach- None

Board Business: Lease regarding FDR memorial- we need a scan of the lease to forward to attorney for review. \$1/ year.

Motion to approve the Lease will be made once the Attorney and Board can see. Renewed for the next 20 years. Ordinance was passed in April and lease was attached. Bernie reviews Ordinance and Lease and states that there is nowhere or no need for us to sign the lease or the ordinance.

Scot Gershman (RPS teacher) speaks as public portion. He thanks the BOE sincerely for all we are doing to lead the school especially through the Pandemic. He knows no one expected to join the BOE and try to save the school plus having to get everyone through the pandemic. He also thanks Mary for her efforts and for leading the staff and staying in communication constantly and for all the assistance with home schooling. Scot thanks everyone on behalf of faculty.

Mary thanks BOE and Staff and states that we are ready to resume school in person when the governor gives us the OK.

Good and Welfare:

Judith asks if we did anything for Fletcher. BOE did not but the school sent him a gift certificate.

Linda was a past Board of Education President. We should do something for her.

There was also the passing of Helen Barth. We can send Jerry a card to the house. Helen was a big part of the school, Jerry as well. The Barths and Bards are a family.

Executive Session- None

Meeting adjourned at 6:48pm