



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

3/2/2017 [6:00PM-8:00PM] @ District Administration Center, 200 N. Fifth Street, Columbia, PA 17512

- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AGENDA -

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Minutes

Vice - President Leader called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Vice - President Leader led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Minutes

Board Members in attendance were: Mrs. Anspach, Mr. Ford, Ms. Garrido, Ms. Geesey, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mr. Leader, and Mrs. Schwert
Administrators in attendance were: Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Strickler and Mrs. Smith.
Members not in attendance were: Mr. Combs

4. Notice of Executive Session following the Regular School Board Meeting on February 16, 2017 for a Personnel Matter and a Discipline Issue - Staff

5. Public Comment on Agenda Items

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Minutes

There was no public comment at this time.

6. Communications

7. Agenda Item - LERTA

a. Discussion - Columbia Borough

Minutes

Rebecca Denlinger, consultant with Columbia Borough, discussed LERTA. She explained what it is and how it works and the current plan. She and Borough Council are proposing a new LERTA to get more positive development in Columbia. She would like the Board to vote to approve this and feels it needs to be marketed better and that will be her job. She is hoping to bring in more opportunities for shops and manufacturing; and, would like to see more mixed-use development. This is the Commercial piece of LERTA.

Mayor Lutz spoke and explained that we need to make it more attractive to developers and that is the reason for the change in the proposal.

There was discussion between Board members, Ms. Denlinger and Mayor Lutz.

b. A motion is requested to approve adding the LERTA Proposal to the March 16, 2017 School Board Meeting Agenda

Minutes

A motion to approve adding the LERTA Proposal to the March 16, 2017 School Board Meeting Agenda under Finance and Audit was made by Miss Hohenadel. and seconded by Mr. Ford. A roll call vote was taken - Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Ford, Mrs. Anspach, Ms. Garrido, Ms. Geesey, Mr. Knighton, Mr. Leader and Mrs. Schwert voted yes. Motion passed - 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

8. Agenda Item - Minutes (Mr. Combs - Board President)

Discussion on minutes listed:

- Regular Board Meeting - February 16, 2017

9. Agenda Items - Finance and Audit (Mr. Knighton, Chair)

a. Discussion on Finance and Audit Items

Minutes

b. Action Item - Approve Treasurer's Reports

c. Action Item - Approve Check Disbursements

d. Action Item - Approve Cafeteria Fund Profit and Loss Report

e. Action Item - Approve Student Activity Account Reports

f. Action Item - Budgetary Transfers

g. Information Item - 2017-18 Budget Update

Minutes

Mr. Ramsey reported on Budgetary Transfers - explaining them and stating in the future they will be listed on the monthly Board Agenda. He reported that Mr. Reiner

from Sager & Swisher will be present at the March Board Meeting to give the 2015-16 Audit Report. He also reported on the Governor's Proposed Budget and what it means to CBSD - around \$140,000 for district and around \$50,000 for special ed. Mr. Ramsey reported that he plans to give a presentation of the 2017-18 DRAFT Budget at the April Committee of the Whole Meeting. Miss Hohenadel questioned why STS subs are not being approved by the Board as hired.

10. Agenda Items - Property (Mr. Leader, Chair)

a. Discussion on Property Items

b. Action Item - Approve Use of Facilities

- **Sunday AM Mens Basketball** - Class D - CHS Gym - February 12, 2017 through December 31, 2017 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Requesting fees waiver.
- **CHS Student - Jordan Haberstroh** - May Day - No Fees - CHS Gym, Classroom 121 on April 2, 9, 23, 30, May 1-6, 2017 - various times (see attachments).

11. Agenda Items - Personnel (Mr. Ford, Chair)

a. Discussion on Personnel

b. Action Item - Approve Curriculum Leader

- **Science:** Katherine Hewick

c. Action Item - Approve New Hire

- **Food Service Assistant** - Patti Ettinger - Effective: ASAP - Salary: Zone 10 \$8.75/\$9.00 p/hr. (60 day probationary period) Pending Completion of Paperwork

d. Action Item - Approve Inductee/Mentor

- Daniel Lingle, Inductee
- Jere Hill, Mentor

e. Action Item - Approve Keiran Miller Class of 2017 Advisor

f. Action Item - Approve contract with F&M for 2017-18 School Year

g. Action Item - Approve Memorandum of Understanding regarding Appendix B to

Professional Employee Negotiated Agreement 2014-15 through 2017-18

h. Information Items:

- **Medical Leave:** Christa Sliger, CMS/CHS Family & Consumer Science Teacher, will be on Medical Leave 6/18/17 to 10/30/17.

12. Agenda Items - Curriculum & Instruction (Mrs. Anspach, Chair)

a. Discussion on Curriculum & Instruction Items

13. Agenda Items - Extra-Curricular (Mrs. Schwert, Chair)

a. Discussion on Extra-Curricular Items

Minutes

Mrs. Schwert reported on the status of the Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball games. They will be playing in State play-offs on March 10, details will be posted on the District Website.

14. Old Business

a. Action Item - A motion is requested to publish the Delinquent Per Capita Tax List (tabled from February 16, 2017 meeting)

Minutes

A motion to table this item until the March 16, 2017 School Board Meeting was made by Mr. Ford and seconded by Mr. Knighton. A roll call vote was taken - Mr. Ford, Mr. Knighton, Mrs. Anspach, Ms. Garrido, Ms. Geesey, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Leader and Mrs. Schwert voted yes. Motion passed - 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

b. Discussion - Shared Services Agreement

Minutes

Mr. Knighton stated he would like to see the Shared Agreement continue. He suggested setting up a special meeting to discuss the Agreement.
Miss Hohenadel stated she is not in favor of the Agreement as it is. She would like a meeting set up for the Board to discuss the Agreement with the Solicitor.
Mr. Leader stated that he is not in favor unless adjustments to the contract are made.
Ms. Garrido commented on the excellent help we have recieved from ELANCO. She would like to discuss what is working and what is not and move forward.
Mr. Leader commented that there haven't been any progress reports given to them regarding the Shared Services Agreement; would like to have tools to measure progress including changes in student performance in 5 months.

15. New Business

a. Action Item - Second Reading of Board Policy 204

b. Action Item - First Reading of Board Policy 210

Minutes

Mr. Strickler asked the Board to consider waiving the three readings because the District Nurses are having concerns.

16. Business Manager's Report

Minutes

Completed under Finance.

17. Director of Operations' Report

Minutes

Mr. Strickler announced for Dr. Hollister that there would be an Executive Session following the Committee of the Whole Meeting for a Personnel Matter.

Mr. Strickler reported on Career Days and the 33 careers that will be represented. He reported on Jr. Achievement STEM Day for the Freshmen and Sophmores. It will be a hands-on activity.

Mr. Strickler reported \$8500.00 in donations for the Spring sports.

Mr. Strickler informed the Board that Read Across America was held March 2 for K-4 grades.

Mr. Strickler also informed the Board that next week March 6-10 is National Breakfast Week and guests are expected at all 3 school buildings to serve students breakfast. Board members were asked to volunteer.

Mr. Strickler also made the Board aware of LNP - School Section's decision to make Columbia the featured story.

Mr. Leader asked about Mr. Strickler's visits to the schools and what is done during these visits.

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Mayor Leo Lutz, Kinderhook Rd. - shared his opinion of the Shared Service Agreement and making suggestions ahead of time; reported on the Storm Water Mandate; reported on the Youth Aid Panel and the need for volunteers.

Frank Doutrich, Ironville Pk. - commented on LERTA and some concerns with demolishing buildings because he would like to see the tax base stay the same. He commented that

changing the Proposal may help but not sure. He asked the Board to abolish the Per Capita Tax since it is hard to police who pays or not and how do we make them pay it.

Janice Nikoloff, of the Columbia Economic Development Corp - commented on LERTA and that it is based on the reassessed value of a property; it is more effective with a larger property and most useful for commercial or industrial projects. She commented that there have been significant projects that Columbia has not been able to get and offering the tax abatement would improve our chances of getting them.

Gerry Nissley, Plane St. - commented on the productive sharing; commented on the Shared Services Agreement and the money saved. He felt that check disbursements in January had phenomenal fees for substitutes; asked the Board to be diligent when updating job positions.

19. Adjournment

Minutes

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn made by Ms. Garrido and seconded by Miss Hohenadel. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Smith

Board Secretary