



May 21, 2018

7:00 P.M.
High School

Chris Branton
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Dr. Mark Stamm
Superintendent

Dennis Artley
Board Secretary

Fred Holland
Solicitor

Agenda

Regular Board Meeting

Opening

Call to Order

Silent Meditation & Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Preliminary Comments on Agenda Items

Action Items

Approval of Bills

- 2017-2018 General Fund – \$558,731.53
- Food Service – \$14,694.32

Approval of Minutes

Board Committee Reports

Superintendent's Report & Recommendations

1. Adoption of Preliminary Final Budget for 2018-2019
2. Retirement
3. Guest Teachers
4. Employment
5. Removal of Varsity Sport
6. Request for Donation for Tennis Court Benches
7. Memorandum of Understanding - SRO
8. Out-of-State Field Trip Request
9. Approve Policies – Second Reading
10. Property Assessment Appeals
11. Appoint Treasurer
12. District Leadership and Students Supports
13. Graduation List

General Information

Principals Spotlight

Organizational Reports

Old Business

New Business

Courtesy to the Floor

Final Remarks by Board Members

Adjournment

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS
May 21, 2018

1. Adoption of Preliminary Final Budget for 2018-2019

The superintendent is recommending school board approval for the preliminary approval of the 2018-2019 budget. Revenue will be \$19,271,381 and expenditures will be \$19,837,476. The taxes to support the above budget numbers are as follows:

Real Estate	15.75 mills
Earned Income	1.1%
Real Estate Transfer Tax	.5%

2. Retirement – Attachment # 1

It is recommended the school board accept the letter of resignation for retirement purposes from Jan Smith from her position on June 6, 2018.

3. Guest Teacher(s)

It is recommended the school board approve the following individual from list of Guest Teachers submitted by BLaST IU 17 for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Amanda Crum

4. Employment – Attachment # 2

Maintenance/Custodial Summer Workers

It is recommended the school board appoint John Covey to the maintenance/custodial departments as a summer employee effective June 7, 2018, through August 24, 2018, for 40 hours per week at an hourly rate of \$8.

It is recommended the school board appoint Hannah Hines to the maintenance/custodial departments as a summer employee effective June 7, 2018, through August 24, 2018, for 40 hours per week at an hourly rate of \$8.

5. Removal of Varsity Sport

It is recommended that the board remove Golf as a varsity sport for the 2018-2019 season due to lack of participation. Student participation has declined from 8 athletes in 2014-2015 to 3 athletes in 2017-2018. After completing fall registration, no athletes registered. Golf is budgeted at \$6,380 for the 2018-2019 season. This money can be transferred within the athletic budget to cover the additional \$7,000 for cross country. Golf can be revisited annually as a varsity or club sport if interest in this program returns.

6. Request for Donation for Tennis Court Benches – Attachment # 3

It is recommended that the board donate \$1,100 for the purchase of one bench for the borough tennis courts and that a second bench is considered next year if appropriate.

7. Memorandum of Understanding - SRO – Attachment # 4

The safety committee and I are recommending that the board adopt the Memorandum of Understanding between the South Williamsport Area School District and the Borough of South Williamsport to supply a School Resource Office. This will be a full-time experienced officer assigned to the school district for the school year. The resource officer will be based at the high school but actively responsible for safety and security in all three buildings. In addition the resource officer will serve as coordinator and trainer of district security staff, serve on the school safety committee, and a safety / security advisor for the superintendent. Specific duties of the SRO are detailed in the MOU.

8. Out-of-State Field Trip Request - Attachment # 5

It is recommended the school board approve Kelly Shearer's out-of-state field trip request to take the Senior Class to Inner Harbor, Baltimore, MD on May 22, 2018.

9. Approve Policies – Second Readings

It is recommended the board of school directors approve the second reading of the following policies.

- **105 Curriculum**
 - English Learner language changes added.
- **237 Electronic Devices**
 - Revision to allow student use of personal electronic devices as a learning tool and in non-instructional settings.
- **246 School Wellness**
 - Revision to school snacks/treats for safety of students.
- **302 Employment of Superintendent**
 - Regulatory language updates.
- **310 Abolishing a Position**
 - PSBA recommends deleting. Superseded by policy 311.
- **311 Reduction in Staff**
 - Regulatory changes to comply with state law.
- **808 Food Services**
 - Regulatory changes to comply with student lunch debt.
- **906 Public Complaint Procedures**
 - Regulatory changes to add language on federal programs.
- **918 Title I Parent and Family Engagement**
 - Regulatory changes to comply with new federal education law ESSA.

10. Property Assessment Appeals

It is recommended the board authorize the Administration to file tax assessment appeals between July 1 and September 1 of each year for properties that are undervalued as defined in this resolution. A property shall be considered undervalued if reassessment based upon the sale price, adjusted by the common level ratio as determined by the State Tax Equalization Board, would result in additional tax revenue to the South Williamsport Area School District of at least \$100.00 per year. This is a continuing resolution. For appeals to be filed in 2018, it is expected that those appeals will cover property sales occurring between July 1, 2015, and June 30, 2018, and that appeals filed in future years will generally be limited to the fiscal year just ended. The Administration shall seek adjustments to tax bills prospectively, effective as of July 1 of the year in which the appeal is filed; thus, for appeals filed in 2018, the administration will seek adjustments to be made effective as of July 1, 2019.

11. Appoint Board Treasurer

Board Policy stipulates a treasurer must be appointed in May of each school year to serve for a one-year term. It is recommended the school board elect a treasurer for the 2018-2019 school year.

12. District Leadership and Students Supports

Building principals and the superintendent will present an overview of the leadership structure for the 2018-2019 school year, and reorganization of students supports. These changes are intended to best match students' academic and social needs while working inside fiscal realities.

13. 2018 Graduation List – Attachment # 6

Jesse Smith, high school principal, is requesting school board approval of the list of graduate candidates for the Class of 2018. These candidates must complete all requirements to participate in the graduation ceremony and shall be awarded a diploma on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at Rodney K. Morgans Stadium.

BOARD INFORMATION
May 21, 2018

BOARD MEETING DATES

May 21 – School Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

June 4 – School Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

June 25 – School Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

BOARD COMMITTEE DATES

ADDITIONAL DATES

May 28 – Memorial Day Schools Closed

May 30 – Senior Awards Night 6:30 p.m.

June 6 – Graduation 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Conference Summary
 - Robyn Rummings
- Communication, Information and Work

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There will be an
Executive Session
of the
School Board
at 6:30 p.m. prior to the
regular board meeting on
Monday,
May 21, 2018