

**CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Warminster, Pennsylvania**

**MINUTES OF WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
HELD MAY 23, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

A Work Session/Regular meeting of the Centennial School Board was held on May 23, 2006, Auditorium of William Tennent High School. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mueller at 11:12 p.m. [Note: The meeting was originally scheduled to take place in the Administration Building; however, due to the large turnout for the Budget Hearing Meeting preceding this meeting, the meeting was moved.] The following people registered their attendance:

Board Members:

Marie Brzezinski
Joseph Faust
Joan Jankowsky
Patricia Jones
Michael Monaghan
Cynthia Mueller
Harve Strouse

Administration:

David Blatt
Victor Lasher
Dr. Michael Masko
Jean Rollo
Dr. Thomas Sexton
Timothy Vail

CEA/Teachers:

Public:

[See attachments to previous meeting of May 23, 2006 Budget Hearing Meeting. Note: Many people left before the beginning of this meeting.]

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the Budget Hearing Meeting immediately preceding this meeting; therefore, it was not recited again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PRESENTATIONS

Lauretta Woodson Awards

These awards were presented at the Budget Hearing Meeting immediately preceding this meeting.

GOOD NEWS

Dr. Masko presented the Good News Report (see attached.)

STUDENT REPORTS

None.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

None.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Faust and seconded by Mrs. Jankowsky to resolve that the Centennial School Board accepts the Minutes of the:

- *Education Committee – April 3, 2006*
- *Finance Committee – April 17, 2006*
- *Finance Committee – April 24, 2006*

The motion passed 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident and Tuition Status for Student 10-13

A motion was made by Mrs. Jankowsky and seconded by Mr. Monaghan to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident and Tuition Status for Student 10-13 to attend Leary Elementary School for the 2006-2007 school year. The family will provide transportation.

The motion passed 7-0.

Mrs. Jankowsky informed the Board that all of items 2 through 8 had been extensively discussed at the Finance Committee meetings. She asked if anyone objected to having them moved all together. There were requests to separate items 3 and 6.

2. 2006-2007 Meal and Food Prices
4. Use of Facilities 2006-2007
5. Facility Rental Agreement, Bucks County Head Start 2006-2007
7. Set Support Staff Medical Insurance Employee Premium Contribution 2006-2007
8. Employee Benefit Rates 2006-2007

A motion was made by Mr. Faust and seconded by Mrs. Jankowsky to resolve that the Centennial School Board:

- (2) *Approves the cafeteria pricing for the 2006-2007 school year as recommended by Administration per the attached cafeteria pricing request report dated May 16, 2006.*
- (4) *Approves the Facility Use Fee Schedule for the 2006-2007 school year per the attached supplement.*
- (5) *Approves the attached agreement with Bucks County Head Start Agency for the 2006-2007 school year for the rental of 4 classrooms in the Johnsville Administration Building at a total annual cost of \$20,881. Board recognizes the contribution the Head Start Program makes toward preparing students for entering the school system and therefore provides in-kind contributions in the form of reduced rates from the set fees of \$16,270 per classroom charged per the Use of Facility rate schedule.*
- (7) *Amends the July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007 Support Staff Compensation Plan to set the 2006-2007 Medical Insurance Employee Premium Contribution at \$40.00 per month in keeping with CEA employee premium contributions set for this same period.*
- (8) *Approves the attached fringe benefit rates with Independence Blue Cross (Keystone Point of Service and HMO) and other employee fringe benefit payroll deductions for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.*

Regarding item #7, Mrs. Jankowsky suggested adding the language “in accordance with the plan.” Mr. Strouse disagreed since this was to be in keeping with the CEA agreement. *It was agreed to remove the last part of the sentence reading “per month in keeping with CEA employee premium contributions set for this same period.”*

The motion passed 7-0.

3. 2006-2007 Cafeteria Fund Budget

A motion was made by Mr. Faust and seconded by Mrs. Jankowsky to resolve that the Centennial School Board adopts the attached supplement in the amount of \$2,408,525 as the Centennial School District Cafeteria Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 as presented, and hereby authorizes the expenditures as set forth therein during the Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

Mr. Monaghan wanted to make sure that the Operations Committee was consulted before any of these expenditures were made in case any of these schools would be closing. Mrs. Mueller indicated that she believed there were no problems with these items since this was discussed already.

The motion passed 7-0.

6. Appoint Treasurer 2006-2007

A motion was made by Mr. Faust and seconded by Mrs. Jones to resolve that the Centennial School Board reappoints Stanley Allen as District Treasurer for the fiscal year 2006-2007 at an annual stipend of \$1,500. Further approves the renewal of the Public Officials Bond for the Treasurer in the face amount of \$20,000 for fiscal year 2006-2007.

The motion passed 7-0.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mr. Faust and seconded by Mrs. Brzezinski to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves all personnel recommendations, including: Resignations, Retirements, Leaves of Absence; Authorization to Employ; Per Diem Substitute Teachers; Support Staff Substitutes; Summer Enrichment/Motivation Program; and Summer Help.

The motion passed 7-0.

POLICIES

Discussion:

The Board discussed whether discussion of policies could be deferred to the next meeting due to the lateness of the hour. Mrs. Mueller indicated that Policy 6.4, Wellness, must be approved before July 1st. She felt that if the Board could discuss it at this meeting, it could be approved at the next meeting.

Mrs. Jankowsky indicated that this policy came from another legislative mandate and was required to be in place. It seemed like a bear for teachers to implement.

Dr. Sexton stated that the good news was that we are doing essentially everything in the policy already. We wanted to memorialize this in writing in order to satisfy the mandate from the state but everyone was satisfied with what was being done.

Mrs. Jankowsky stated that she had noted that there were two new policies that had come before the Board but the Board had not asked if they wanted a policy for them. She would appreciate if that is done in the future. She felt it was a good procedure.

Dr. Sexton stated that he believed that was done with the ethics policy although he was not sure about the other one.

Mr. Faust questioned the use of “may” versus “shall” in Policy 6.4, Section B. Mrs. Jankowsky pointed out that “shall” was used a lot in the policy.

Mrs. Mueller requested that Administration review the use of “shall” for appropriateness.

OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Fuel Bid Information

Mrs. Brzezinski stated that she had attended a meeting at the I.U. at which a program was mentioned regarding fuels. Mr. Lasher was the chairman of the I.U.’s bidding for the fuel.

Mr. Lasher explained that the I.U. had a consortium for fuels and explained that this was a difficult year. He indicated that they did not get fixed bids because things were in the process of being switched, so it must be rebid.

REPORTS

I.U. – Mrs. Brzezinski reported that May was “Better Hearing and Speech Month.” There was a presentation at the I.U. about this.

MBIT – Mr. Faust reported that bids had come in for the renovation project, which are about \$900,000 under the estimates. The plan was to hold onto the funds for now to see if there were any change orders. If there is money left over, it will be returned to the districts.

Finance – Mr. Faust indicated that the next meeting of the Finance Committee would be on June 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Operations – Mrs. Jankowsky reported that the company doing the appraisals would have a report done by the end of the following week. A meeting date would then have to be set, probably the first week in June.

Education – Mr. Strouse reported that Mr. Reed had presented the technology plan as it related to the strategic plan. No funds would be expended without direct approval by the Board.

Citizen’s Policy – Mr. Monaghan reported that they had received something from Pleasant Valley School District regarding the senior citizen property tax rebate. He would like Board members to review this and possibly implement it in our budget.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Faust and seconded by Mrs. Jankowsky to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie A. Detwiler
Board Secretary