

CENTENNIAL BOARD DISTRICT
Warminster, Pennsylvania

MINUTES OF WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING
HELD JUNE 25, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

A Work Session/Regular Meeting of the Centennial School Board was held on June 25, 2013, in the Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Pollock at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Board members were in attendance:

Steven Adams	Jane Schrader Lynch
Kati Driban	Charles Kleinschmidt
Michael Hartline	Mark B. Miller
Elizabeth Huf	Dr. Andrew Pollock
	David Shafter

The following Administration members were in attendance at the meeting:

Dr. Joyce Mundy	William Gretton
Andrea DiDio	Dr. Susan Klyman
Christopher M. Berdnik, Board Secretary	

Additional meeting attendees are listed on the attached sheet.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Pollock led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Adams asked for a moment of silence in honor of the passing of two residents in the District.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

None.

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mrs. Huf read:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD Accepts the Minutes of the:

Education Committee – May 22, 2013
Finance Committee – May 20, 2013
Operations Committee – May 1, 2013

Ms. Driban seconded.

Motion passed 9-0-0.

Ms. Driban requested that the Personnel agenda be moved to the front of the agenda.

Mrs. Huf read:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES THE NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR MR. TIMOTHY KEDDIE:

Mr. Hartline seconded.

Motion passed 9-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Miller made a motion to amend item 37 to change from 60 days to 180 days.

Mr. Hartline seconded.

Motion passed 9-0-0.

Dr. Pollock asked if anyone would like to have any items pulled from the consent agenda #1 through #41. The following item was pulled #40.

Mrs. Huf read the consent agenda:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:

1. *Grants permission to continue placement in Council Rock School District for Student 19-10.*

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2. *Approves exception to Policy 7.18 for Student 10-22 from New Hope-Solebury School District to attend William Tennent High School's Life Skills program. Tuition will be paid by the student's home district. Transportation will be provided by the student's home district.*
3. *Approves the Standard Contract for Services with Bucks Learning Academy for the 2013-2014 school year.*
4. *Approves the Act 48 Program Agreement with Buxmont Academy as attached.*
5. *Approves the Standard Contract for Services with Buxmont Academy as attached.*
6. *Approves the Standard Contract for Services with Delta School for Extended School Year services for summer 2013.*
7. *Approves the Standard Contract for Services with The Council of Southeast Pennsylvania, Inc. for 2013-2014.*
8. *Approves the Standard Contract for Services with Therapy Source, Inc. as attached.*
9. *Approves the Standard Contract for Services with Pediatric Therapeutic Service, Inc. as attached.*
10. *Approves the Act 48 Program Agreement with LifeWorks for the 2013-2014 school year.*
11. *Approves the Standard Contract for Services with Vanguard (Valley Forge) for Extended School Year Services for summer 2013.*
12. *Approves exception to Policy 7.18 for Student 13-9 to attend the William Tennent High School Autistic Support Program. Neshaminy School District will be responsible for the student's tuition and transportation.*
13. *Approves the use of school district buses by the Warminster Township Parks and Recreation program for the 2013 annual summer camp programs. Vehicle drivers will be employed directly through the Warminster Parks and Recreation program and all costs incurred for bus maintenance and operation will be billed directly to the program.*

Approves the use of school district buses and transportation personnel by the Bucks County YWCA Youth Services for the purposes of conducting their

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2013 Summer Camp program at Davis Elementary School from June 24, 2013 to August 2, 2013. All personnel and fuel costs will be reimbursed by the YWCA.

Approves the use of school district buses and transportation personnel by the Upper Southampton Parks and Recreation Department for the purposes of transporting campers to swimming programs on July 18, July 25 and August 16, 2013. All personnel and fuel costs will be reimbursed by the Upper Southampton Parks and Recreation Department.

- 14.** *Approves the use of fifteen (15) Centennial School District buses with drivers to provide services to Upper Southampton Township for a period of five (5) hours on Thursday, July 4, 2013, at a cost of \$3,000. In lieu of reimbursement from Upper Southampton Days Committee Celebration Committee, a donation will be made to Centennial Education Foundation for student scholarships.*
- 15.** *Approves the contract for the Traffic Signal Modifications and School Flasher Installation to Armour & Sons Electric, Inc. at a cost of \$95,404.50, as per the bid dated June 18, 2013.*
- 16.** *Renews the appointment of Christopher M. Berdnik as Secretary and Linda Fanelli as Recording Secretary for the Board of School Directors.*
- 17.** *Approves the 2013-14 property and casualty insurance plan through the District insurance broker, Willis, at a cost of \$355,147. This is the third year of a three year appointment for Willis.*
- 18.** *Grants approval for an overnight conference, July 25-26, 2013 for the School Operations Academy at State College. The cost to the District is \$760.00.*
- 19.** *Approves the attached Agreement between Centennial School District and Warminster Township to allow for a "fit out" permit so that the move to McDonald Elementary School can be executed prior to the permanent occupancy certificate.*
- 20.** *Approves the Centennial School District Organizational Chart, effective July 1, 2013.*
- 21.** *Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident and Tuition Status, for Student 1-2 to attend Klinger Middle School for the 2013-2014 school year. The parents will provide transportation.*

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22. *Approves the renewal of a partnership program with Menchie's Frozen Yogurt of Warminster, Pennsylvania, as attached.*
23. *Grants approval to process existing curriculum renewals that exceed \$10,000 for the 2013-14 school year.*
24. *Approves adoption of the bid and quote thresholds as adjusted annually by the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry, as per the attached. The Purchasing Agent shall continue to be authorized to require competitive pricing at lower thresholds, as prudent business practices may require.*
25. *Approves the Produce Quote No. Q13-015 and awards same to Kegel's Produce as indicated on the schedule attached with the estimated cost so noted.*
26. *Approves the Stock Supplies Bid No. 2013-16 and awards same to the vendors as indicated on the attached schedule for a total cost of \$37,629.71.*
27. *Approves the Auxiliary Pay Schedule for 2013-14, as attached.*
28. *Authorizes the Business office to close the 2012-13 Centennial School District books as of June 30, 2013, incorporating all accruals therein; to pay the bills that are due by June 30, 2013; to transfer the budget amounts necessary for processing these expenditures subject to review and ratification by the Board of School Directors in September 2013; and directs the Administration to proceed with conducting the necessary audit for the Fiscal Year 2012-13.*

Further directs the Business Office to record or adjust commitments of fund balance in any of all of the following categories:

- *Future Capital Projects*
- *Other Post-Employment Benefits*
- *Retirement Contributions*

Finally, authorizes the Business Office to transfer an amount not to exceed the projected 2012-13 fiscal year surplus (if there is one at internal closing) to either the capital reserve fund (32), debt service fund (40), or a combination thereof, consistent with the district's multiyear financial strategy.

29. *Approves the renewal of the dental exam contract and physical exam contract, as attached.*
30. *Approves the K-12 Teacher Evaluation Software, as attached.*

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31. *Approves the contract for asbestos removal from boilers at Klinger and Log College Middle Schools to EHC Associates of Lancaster, PA at a total cost of \$24,320, as per their bid of June 11, 2013.*
32. *Approves the contract for Parts Inventory Tracking System to Dossier – Arsenault Associates, for a total installation of the Parts Inventory Control with Preventive Maintenance Program in the amount of \$41,020, as per the bid dated June 5, 2013.*
33. *Approves the contract for Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment for school district vehicles to R F Design and Integration, Inc. in the amount of \$79,976.20, as per the bid dated May 12, 2013.*
34. *Approves the purchase of additional licensing for the GPS radio/tracking system through R F Design and Integration, Inc. to the Federal Communications Commission in the amount of \$2,325.00, as per the proposal received May 29, 2013.*
35. *Approves the purchase of parts and services for vehicle maintenance from the vendors on the attached list who provide discounts for parts and service, as per the proposals received on June 10, 2013.*
36. *Approves the purchase of Dynamic Earth, with a 10 year site license and Cell! Cell! Cell! with a 50 year site license for the 21st Century Learning Lab/Planetarium at a cost of \$8,000 each, for a total of \$16,000. This purchase has been budgeted for 2013-2014.*
37. *Approves Centennial School District to take over maintenance and operation of the Hart School for the next one hundred eighty (180) days while authorizing the Ad Hoc Land Use Committee to determine how the District will utilize the building.*
38. *Approves the Autistic Support Class Proposal, as attached.*
39. *Approves the Emotional Support Class Proposal, as attached.*
41. *Approves the Release and Settlement agreement for student 10-7, as attached.*

Mr. Driban seconded.

Dr. Pollock inquired if anyone had any discussion for any of the items.

Mr. Hartline made a motion that item #38 be amended to read:

Approves the Autistic Support Class Proposal for a three year time period.

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Mr. Miller seconded.

Motion passed 9-0-0.

Ms. Driban made a motion that item #37 be amended to read:

Approves Centennial School District to take over maintenance and operation of the Hart School for the next one hundred eighty (180) days while authorizing the Ad Hoc Land Use Committee to recommend how the District will utilize the building.

Mrs. Lynch seconded.

Motion passed 9-0-0.

Community member Mr. Caserta, Southampton, PA, wanted the Board to know that he was upset that he was only informed four hours before the meeting of the change in location of the Emotional Support Class Proposal.

Community member Ms. Friedman, Southampton, PA, also wanted to Board to know of the short notice that she had received.

After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Shafter made a motion to table item 39 until Administration could converse with the Community members in regards to their concerns.

Ms. Driban seconded.

Dr. Pollock asked for a roll call vote:

Dr. Pollock	No
Mr. Shafter	Yes
Mr. Adams	No
Ms. Driban	Yes
Mr. Hartline	Yes
Mrs. Huf	No
Mr. Kleinschmidt	No
Mrs. Lynch	No
Mr. Miller	Yes

Motion to table was defeated 4-5-0.

After further discussion, Dr. Pollock asked for a roll call vote on the original motion presented for item #39.

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Mr. Shafter	No
Mr. Adams	Yes
Ms. Driban	No
Mr. Hartline	Yes
Mrs. Huf	Yes
Mr. Kleinschmidt	Yes
Mrs. Lynch	Yes
Mr. Miller	Yes
Dr. Pollock	Yes

Motion passed 7-2-0.

Dr. Pollock asked for a vote on items #1 through #41 with the exception of #39 and #40.

Motion passed 9-0-0.

Mr. Miller read:

40. A RESOLUTION OF THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS TO END THE UNJUST ENRICHMENT OF EDUCATION MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONS (EMOs) AND TO HALT THE EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN IN FURTHERING THE PROFITEERING BY SUCH ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS, Centennial School District ("CSD") is an agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania organized and operating pursuant to the provisions of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, 24 P.S. § 1-101 et seq. ("School Code"), the geographical boundaries of which encompass Warminster Township, Ivyland Borough and Upper Southampton Township; and

WHEREAS, The Centennial School District Board of School Directors (Board) has the duty to provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education to serve the needs of the students within the school district; and

WHEREAS, Charter Schools and Cyber Charter Schools are funded completely by public funds paid by this school district and other local school districts across the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, section 807.1 and other sections of the Public School Code provide requirements for purchases and obligations made with public funds; and

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***WHEREAS,** many Charter and Cyber Charter Schools are open to and foster conflicts of interest by having boards of directors, owners and education management organizations who are comingled, or in some cases one and the same; and*

***WHEREAS,** in such cases, these intertwined relationships lead to profiteering by the owners and EMOs who effectively contract with themselves for goods and services in clear violation of the competitive bidding process defined within the Public School Code*

***BE IT NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED:** The Centennial School District Board of School Directors hereby supports legislation that would prevent any person or enterprise from sitting on more than one governing or managing body of a Charter School or Cyber Charter School or to be in any position where they/it might be able to act as both buyer and seller of any product and or service, or furnish staffing, or manage or receive a salary, or to direct or convey the same to any third party, in such manner that it might be possible to circumvent the intent of the Public School Code; and*

***WHEREAS,** some Charter Schools and Cyber Charter Schools, their Boards, Owners and management (EMOs) have consistently refused to make their books and records and other evidence of their financial transaction available for public inspection or under applicable Sunshine Laws and various state and federal open records laws,*

***BE IT NOW THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED:** The Centennial School District Board of School Directors hereby supports legislation that would require all Charter Schools, Cyber Charter Schools, Owners, Operators and Managers/EMOs to comply with The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Open Records Law of February 14, 2008 without any limitation or exception; and*

***WHEREAS,** some Charter Schools and Cyber Charter Schools have exploited children and youth by using them as window dressing in attempts to further their private and substantial business interests and equity*

***BE IT NOW THEREFORE FINALLY RESOLVED:** The Centennial School District Board of School Directors hereby supports legislation that would prevent any Charter School, Cyber Charter School, Owner, Operator and Managers/EMO (or ANY person or enterprise) from exploiting children and youth in such a way that there is no greater benefit to the child/youth than the purpose for which they are enlisted. For example, students should not be removed from classes, dressed in matching shirts and given placards to stand at the entrances to the Capitol, or its offices and meeting rooms for the purpose of evoking false sympathy, or to be relegated into telephone*

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banks and “boiler rooms” to make calls to solicit enrollment or other acts by recipients of such calls.

Ms. Driban seconded.

After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Shafter made a motion to amend the resolution by adding after the words For example, “using duress and forcing” and removing the words “boiler rooms” from the last paragraph of the resolution.

Mr. Hartline seconded

Motion passed 9-0-0.

Mr. Kleinschmidt thanked Mr. Miller and Mrs. Lynch for their work on the resolution.

Dr. Pollock asked for a vote on the amended resolution.

Ms. Driban seconded.

Motion passed 9-0-0.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mrs. Huf to approve as amended and seconded by Mr. Hartline to resolve that the Centennial School Board:

- *Approves all personnel recommendations as: Resignations, Retirements, Leaves of Absence; Authorization to Employ; Change of Status; Extended School Year Teachers; Extended School Year Health Aide/Nurse on Bus; Extended School Year Bus Aide; Centennial Academy Elementary; Kitchen Manager/Worker; Centennial Academy Elementary Substitute; Kitchen Worker; Centennial Academy Elementary Substitute Teachers; Approves Employment of Sufficient Quantities of Existing Transportation Personnel at Applicable Hourly Rates to Facilitate the 2013-14 Summer Program; Coordinator of Summer Program for Credit Recovery Through Cyber Learning; Approves Changes to Centennial School District Organizational Chart; Co-Curricular Additions - 2013-14 School Year.*

Motion passed 9-0-0.

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FINANCIAL

A motion was made by Mr. Hartline and seconded by Mr. Miller to resolve that the Centennial School Board accepts the:

- *Financial Statement Highlights as of May 2013*

Motion passed 9-0-0.

OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ms. Driban asked that Administration, going forward, consider starting with the Tech school and the other Districts feeding the Tech school in developing the school calendar.

Mr. Adams thanked Mr. Miller for his expertise in developing the resolution on the agenda.

Mr. Adams congratulated the class of 2013 on behalf of the school board.

REPORTS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Lynch stated that on July 16, 2013, the Ad Hoc Land Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Pollock and seconded by Ms. Driban to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 9-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher M. Berdnik
Board Secretary

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