

School District of Borough of Morrisville
Morrisville, Pennsylvania

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 21, 2009 AGENDA MEETING

The agenda meeting of the School District of Borough of Morrisville was held in the Morrisville Middle/Senior High School LGI Room on Wednesday, January 21, 2009. Mr. Hellmann called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The first order of business was the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Messrs. Hellmann, Buckman (arrived a few minutes late), Radosti, Kemp and Farrell. Mrs. Mihok, Mrs. Reithmeyer, and Mrs. Heater. Mr. Fitzpatrick, Solicitor.
Absent: Mrs. Worob
Administration Present: Dr. Yonson, Mr. DeAngelo, Mr. Gesualdi, Ms. Ruffing.
Others Present: Members of the Public.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Damon Miller – what is the status of Ms. Taylor.

Dr. Yonson reported that Ms. Taylor is feeling better and receiving therapy.

Kathryn Panzitta – how can you take Act 1 referendum action when there have been no budget discussions?

Damon Miller – Concerned with the 4.1% cap on budget. Can we get a State of the District budget report?

AGENDA ITEMS:

Resignation of Mrs. Guidos, ESL teacher

Appointments:

Kelly Marlin to replace Mrs. Leedom while on leave.

Corey Latsch to replace Mrs. Connell while on leave.

Ivan Colon as 8th grade Boys Basketball Coach

7th grade Boys Basketball Coach

ESL teacher to replace Mrs. Guidos due to resignation.

Tuition Reimbursements

FBLA competition costs

Approve AEDY Grant (Alternative Education Grant)

Adopt Act 1 resolution limiting the budget increase to 4.1%.

Payment of bills

Dr. Yonson advised that administration has reviewed budget requests and administration has been directed to find ways to decrease costs. This Act 1 resolution timeline requires it be done by tonight.

Mr. Buckman reported that he attended the tech school budget meeting tonight and tech intends to freeze or decrease Morrisville's contribution for next school year.

Mrs. Mihok advised that the BCIU has locked in a fuel rate of \$2.34/gal. The IU expects a 4.04% reduction in their budget. Mr. DeAngelo advised that Morrisville has not locked in fuel costs because we are uncertain what our needs will be for the next school year.

Mr. Kemp asked if we are on target with the 08-09 budget. Mr. DeAngelo advised we are a little behind where we would like to be right now. He expects to update this information at the January 28th meeting. I will be coming to the board with a barebones budget.

Mrs. Mihok related a request she received to place signage on school district vehicles.

ADDITION TO AGENDA

Reappointment of IU representative to Board of Directors.

Authorize bids for work at high school (related to Vitetta's proposals).

Proposal from Vitetta Engineering to upgrade Grandview Elementary.

Mrs. Reithmeyer asked if we want to go ahead with this since the insurance company is willing to compensate for new boilers at Reiter and the fact that Reiter is centrally located and the larger facility.

In order to prevent a boiler mishap in the future, Mrs. Reithmeyer suggested that we should investigate why it happened. Mr. DeAngelo advised that the insurance company sent out an investigator. It is obvious that the solenoid failed and the recommendation is to replace both boilers to prevent this from happening again. Dr. Yonson related that the forensic engineer stated that no one was at fault here and this was accidental; a report will be forthcoming.

The Bucks County Technical School dinner will be held Monday night. Dr. Yonson will be in Harrisburg; however, she will have someone introduce the board members at the meeting.

Modular Classrooms – Mr. DeAngelo advised that footers are finished and must cure for 7 days. Electrical work has begun. Plumbing has begun. Unfortunately, the weather is a hindrance for curing.

Ms. Ruffing advised that we have been able to enter Reiter and we are working closely with the cleanup crew. We are retrieving teaching materials.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Hellmann and unanimously approved with no abstentions to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Bill Hellmann, President

Marlys Mihok, Secretary