

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
BRANDYWINE HEIGHTS AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

March 2, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Brandywine Heights Area School District was called to order at 6:08pm by President John Tomasi.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Recording Secretary called the roll:

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| ✓ Mr. Bieber | ✓ Mrs. Henry | ✓ Mr. Tomasi |
| ✓ Dr. Carter | ✓ Mrs. Huhn | ✓ Mr. Wagaman |
| ✓ Mrs. Eisenhart | ✓ Mr. Scheetz | ✓ Mrs. Walizer |

Administration Present:

- ✓ Mr. Andrew Potteiger, Superintendent
Mr. Jamison Barnhart, High School Assistant Principal
- ✓ Mr. Matthew Dziunycz, High School Principal
- ✓ Mr. Robert Farina, Intermediate/Middle School Principal
- ✓ Mr. Scott Geist, Director of Athletics
- ✓ Mrs. Carolyn Hanych, Director of Brandywine Virtual Academy
- ✓ Ms. Stephanie Kelly, Elementary School Principal
- ✓ Mr. Craig Neiman, Business Manager/Board Secretary
- ✓ Dr. René Reese, Director of Pupil Services
- ✓ Mr. Thomas Voelker, Assistant to the Superintendent
- ✓ Mr. Michael Wetzel, Director of Buildings and Grounds
- ✓ Ms. Carly Worman, Supervisor of Instruction and Assessment

Solicitor: Mr. Benjamin Pratt, Esquire

Student Board Representatives: Olivia Deysher, Tatyana Ulman, Meghan Miller.

Visitors: Eysia Mikkelsen (Crabtree Architect), Andy Ludwig (Fleetwood), Kurtz Showalter (Topton), Keene Showalter (Student), Casey Bond (Staff), Katie Hess (Kutztown), Steve Bond (Kutztown), Rebekah Turbett (District Township), Ryan Wehr (Staff), John Harrison (Student), Michael Kistler (Staff)

Mr. Tomasi and Mr. Potteiger presented the #newHEIGHTS Awards to outstanding employees nominated by their peers. February recipients were Ms. Casey Bond, Elementary School Art Teacher and Ms. Samantha Mclean, High School Learning Support Teacher. Mr. Tomasi read the nomination comments for each recipient and Mr. Dziunycz, Ms. Kelly and Mr. Potteiger shared personal accolades about each employee.

Mr. Potteiger and Mr. Geist recognized John Harrison, the Brandywine Heights all time leading scorer for the Boys Basketball team and the BHASD High School Boys Basketball Team for achieving States.

Student Board Representatives Olivia Deysher, Tatyana Ulman and Meghan Miller shared recent events from the Elementary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools.

Mr. Michael Kistler provided a presentation regarding the ABC Apprenticeship program available at the High School. 4 people enrolled for the spring semester. Currently the school district has a total of ~20 students on internships. It was noted that BHASD is one of the leading districts in the county to connect students with career opportunities while in high school.

Ms. Elysia Mikkelsen, Crabtree project architect, provided a presentation regarding the Act 34 hearing which is necessary to review the construction and cost of the new addition to the Elementary School with the public. The Act 34 hearing is planned for April 6, 2020. March 30, 2020 there will be a presentation to the Board during the budget meeting before bid documents go out.

Ms. Kelly and Mr. Farina explained the plan for moving third grade to the Intermediate/Middle School for the 2020-21 school year while the Elementary School undergoes construction.

Mr. Potteiger informed the Board there will be a March 17th community wide presentation.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. Bieber and seconded by Mr. Sheetz to approve the Board of Directors Report.

A. Approval of Minutes

Dispense with the reading and accept the minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting held February 3, 2020 per Board A.

B. Second Reading of Policies

Approve the second reading of policies per Board B.1.-B.6.

1. 220. Student Expression
2. 223. Use of Motor Vehicles
3. 224. Care of School Property
4. 226. Searches
5. 907. School Visitors
6. 913. Nonschool Organizations (Materials, Fundraising, Travel Services, Scholarships.Awards)

C. First Reading of Policies

Approve the first reading of policies per Board C.1.-C.5.

1. 228. Student Government
2. 229. Student Fundraising
3. 230. Public Performances by Students
4. 231. Social Events
5. 232. Student Involvement In Decision-Making

Accept the committee reports and make them part of the minutes.

Berks County Intermediate Unit (BCIU) –Mrs. Huhn reported on the meeting held on February 20, 2020 per the detailed report (attached). The next meeting will be held on March 26 , 2020.

Berks Career and Technology Center (BCTC) – Mr. Wagaman, reported on the meeting per the detailed report (attached).

Berks Earned Income Tax Collection Bureau (BEITC) – Mr. Neiman, No report. The next meeting will be held on March 26th.

Council on Legislative Action (COLA) – Mrs. Walizer, reported on the meeting held on February 11, 2020. The next meeting will be held on April 14, 2020.

Policy Committee – Mr. Wagaman, No report.

Strategic Planning/Goals – Mrs. Eisenhart, No report.

Negotiations/Compensation Committee – Mrs. Huhn, No report.

Building Construction Committee – Mrs. Huhn, Mr. Tomasi, Mr. Wagaman. Mr. Tomasi reported on the meeting held on February 27, 2020 per the detailed report (attached).

Mr. Tomasi asked for comments from Board members and the public. There were no other comments.

Roll call was taken to accept the Board of Directors Report.

Y Mr. Bieber Y Dr. Carter Y Mrs. Eisenhart Y Mrs. Henry Y Mrs. Huhn
Y Mr. Scheetz Y Mr. Tomasi Y Mr. Wagaman Y Mrs. Walizer

Motion Carried – 9 yeas

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. Bieber and seconded by Mr. Wagaman to approve the Business and Operations Report.

A. General Fund Bills

To approve general fund bills through March 2, 2020 totaling \$1,418,740.53 per Business A.

B. Food Service Bills

To approve food service fund bills through March 2, 2020 totaling \$39,253.62 per Business B.

C. Construction Fund Bills

To approve construction fund bills through March 2, 2020 totaling \$78,395.50 per Business C.

D. Financial Reports

To accept the following Financial Reports through January 31, 2020:

1. General Fund - Revenue/Expenditures/Fund Balance – Business D.1.
2. Food Service Fund - Revenue/Expenditure – Business D.2.
3. Construction Fund - Revenue/Expenditure – Business D.3.
4. Investment Schedule – Business D.4.
5. Student Activity & Trust Funds – Business D.5.
6. Budget Transfers – No Report

E. Special Education/Pupil Services

1. To approve a School Psychologist Internship agreement with Millersville University of PA, Millersville PA, for the 2020-2021 School Year per Business E.1.
2. To approve the 2019-2020 school year agreement with the Berks County Intermediate Unit for special education cost for contracted service rates as per Business E.2.

F. CURRICULUM/TECHNOLOGY – None

G. FACILITIES/MAINTENANCE

1. To approve the professional services agreement, as provided by Crabtree, Rohrbaugh, & Associates, with ELA Group Inc., Lititz PA at a cost of \$38,775. This agreement covers civil consulting engineering services as per Business G.1. Cost is included in the latest estimated cost of the elementary renovation project and will be paid for from the Construction Fund.
2. To approve the professional services agreement, as provided by Crabtree, Rohrbaugh, & Associates, with ECS Mid-Atlantic LLC, York PA at a cost of \$9,150. This agreement covers subsurface exploration and geotechnical engineering services as per Business G.2. Cost is included in the latest estimated cost of the elementary renovation project and will be paid for from the Construction Fund.
3. To approve the software agreement, as provided by FMX, Columbus, OH at a cost of \$4,747 (\$1,747 one time set up and \$3,000 on going yearly contract) as per Business G.3. This agreement will replace our current SchoolDude maintenance management software and add an additional functionality allowing us to implement an inventory control system. The agreement will be effective July 1, 2020 until June 30, 2021. The current contract with SchoolDude costs the district \$3,031 annually.
4. To approve the BCIU joint fuel bid covering the 2020-21 fiscal year as per Business G.4, awarding PAPCO for FIRM pricing for all Tank Wagon #2 Heating Oil plus additive and NRLM; awarding Petroleum Traders Corporation for FIRM pricing for all Transport Gasoline Unleaded Octane 87; and awarding Talley Petroleum Enterprises, Inc. for FIRM pricing for all Tank Wagon Gasoline Unleaded 87, 89 and 92, Transport #2 Heating Oil plus additives and all B-2 Bio-diesel plus additives. Bids will lock in 100% of total joint bid quantities.
5. To approve the associated scope of work covering Middle School LNS replacement/ upgrade, as provided by Honeywell, Fort Washington PA at a cost of \$32,573 as per Business G.5. This is a planned, budgeted upgrade that is included in the 2019-20 maintenance budget.

H. TRANSPORTATION

To approve the addition of two new Bus Drivers provided by Brandywine Transportation Inc., Mertztown PA for the 2019-20 school year as per Business H.

I. ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

To approve Rettew Associates, Inc. to conduct an Environmental Phase I Study at a cost of \$2,600 per Business I.

J. ACT 34 ADOPTION

Be it resolved that the Brandywine Heights Area School Board, acting as operating agent of the Brandywine Heights Area School District approves the maximum building construction cost and maximum project cost listed below for the proposed additions and renovations to the existing facility of the Brandywine Heights Elementary School.

Be it further resolved that the following maximum project costs have been estimated:

- Maximum Building Construction Cost for New Additions = \$4,654,318

(D20, Line C)(Structure Costs, Fees, Movable Fixtures/ Equipment)

- Other Project Costs = \$2,559,011
(Sitework, Renovations, Financing, A&E Fees, Contingency)
- Maximum Project Cost (page 16, D03, line I) = \$7,213,329
per Business J.

Mr. Tomasi asked for comments from Board members and the public. There were no other comments.

Roll call was taken to approve items under the Business and Operations Report.

Y Mr. Bieber Y Dr. Carter Y Mrs. Eisenhart Y Mrs. Henry Y Mrs. Huhn
Y Mr. Scheetz Y Mr. Tomasi Y Mr. Wagaman Y Mrs. Walizer

Motion Carried – 9 yeas

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

A motion was made by Mr. and seconded by Mr. to approve the Superintendent’s Report.

A. Grades K-5 Science Curricula

Approve the second reading of the revised Grades K-5 Science curricula per Superintendent A.

B. Grades 6-12 Science Curricula

Approve the second reading of the revised Grades 6-12 Science curricula per Superintendent B.

C. Grades K-12 Technology Curricula

Approve the second reading of the revised Grades K-12 Technology curricula per Superintendent C.

D. Grades K-12 Physical Education/Health/Driving Curricula

Approve the second reading of the revised Grades K-12 Physical Education/Health/Driving curricula per Superintendent D.

E. High School Field Trip Request

Approve the High School Field Trip Request for approximately 10 students to travel with 2 teacher chaperones for the Project Lead the Way Club to South Daytona, Florida from November 14-19, 2020 per Superintendent E.

Mr. Potteiger explained the Brandywine Heights organizational chart to the School Board members.

Mr. Potteiger explained there will be a field trip leaving for Europe next week and the coronavirus. The Board members discussed the options for the Europe field trip.

Accept the informational reports and make them part of the minutes.

Superintendent’s Report – Mr. Potteiger

Enrollment Report – Mr. Potteiger

Mr. Tomasi asked for comments from Board members and the public. There were no other comments.

Roll call was taken for items under the Superintendent Report.

Y Mr. Bieber Y Dr. Carter Y Mrs. Eisenhart Y Mrs. Henry Y Mrs. Huhn
Y Mr. Scheetz Y Mr. Tomasi Y Mr. Wagaman Y Mrs. Walizer

Motion Carried – 9 years

PERSONNEL REPORT

A motion was made by Mrs. Eisenhart and seconded by Mr. Bieber to accept the Personnel Report.

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations/Furloughs

B. Change of Status

C. Appointments

1. Professional Staff – None
2. Support Staff - None
3. Long Term Substitutes

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Effective</u>
a.	Mrs. Shuleill (“Sue”) Ramirez	5th Grade Long Term Substitute Teacher (Furman)	B, Step 1	2/24/2020 (retro.)

4. Co-Curricular

- a. Instructional Co-Curricular Advisors – None
- b. Instructional Co-Curricular Student Activity Group Advisors – None
- c. Approve the recommended Spring Athletic Co-Curricular appointments per Personnel C.4.c.
- d. Approve the recommended Spring Athletic Event Staff and Volunteer Coaches per Personnel C.4.d.

D. Support Staff Substitutes - None

E. Leaves

Accept the request from Ms. Jessica Lapinski, High School Health and Physical Education Teacher, for a maternity leave of absence beginning approximately June 10, 2020 per Personnel E.1.

G. Other Personnel Items

Mrs. Huhn questioned how coach staff longevity was measured, if it was based on sport or how many years they have been coaching within the school district.

Mr. Tomasi asked for comments from Board members and the public. There were no other comments.

Roll call was taken for items under the Personnel Report.

Y Mr. Bieber Y Dr. Carter Y Mrs. Eisenhart Y Mrs. Henry Y Mrs. Huhn
Y Mr. Scheetz Y Mr. Tomasi Y Mr. Wagaman Y Mrs. Walizer

Motion Carried – 9 years

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Tomasi asked for comments from Board members and the public.

Mr. Tomasi announced there was an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Sheetz seconded by Mr. Wagaman to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Motion carried with all yeas.

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Approval Date

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Craig Neiman, Board Secretary
Chaydeanne Brunner,
Recording Secretary



Committee Reports

Date of Meeting: Thursday, February 20, 2020

Person Reporting: Mrs. Elizabeth Huhn

Summary: At the February meeting, the BCIU Board of Directors received an update on the following:

- Governor Wolf's proposed PA State Budget, which includes funding increases for the Basic Education Subsidy, Special Education, Early Intervention, Pre-K County, and the Head Start Supplemental programs.

Pupil transportation is flat funded for the 5th year. School Food Services and Career & Technical Education are also flat funded.

School Safety & Security funding was decreased, and funding for the following programs was eliminated: Mobile Science & Math Education; Job Training and Education; and Trauma-Informed Education.

Two proposed initiatives were unfunded: 1/ mandated full day Kindergarten; and 2/ raising the minimum starting salary for teachers from \$18,000 to \$45,000.

- NOTE: 72 of PA's 500 school districts do not currently offer Full Day Kindergarten. In Berks County, Boyertown and Daniel Boone school districts do not offer Full Day Kindergarten.
- The newly created and updated "State Mandates" booklet which compiles and summarizes the vast number of mandates required of PA's public school districts. The next series of enhancements will include a prioritization workshop scheduled for 3/26 during which group members will identify mandates that are outdated, unfunded, etc., as well as the development of a Checklist for Principals.
- BCIU and Berks County initiatives for school safety were presented in a video directed by CFO, Donna DeLoretta and Safety Director, Bill Gleason.

- IT Director, Scott Major, provided an update on the CrisisGo application which will be funded for another 2 years through a new \$95,000 grant. There will be an additional training session on the CrisisGo app on Tuesday, 2/25.
- An enhanced BCIU website, designed by the BCIU in-house marketing team, will launch on Monday, 3/2. It incorporates a new graphic design which will have audience-based navigation and be mobile-responsive.

The BCIU Board also approved an unpaid classroom observation for Jade Miller from Brandywine Heights, under the supervision of Pre-K Counts teacher Amanda Potteiger, from January 21 - May 21, 2020.

Upcoming Events:

- The annual Annie Sullivan Awards Ceremony & Reception to honor Berks County's leaders in special education will be held on **Wednesday, April 1 from 5:00 - 7:00** at the BCIU Main Office.
- The annual Keeping Kids Safe Symposium: Raising Our Awareness will be held, in partnership with the PA Governor's Office of Homeland Security, on **Tuesday, April 15 from 7:30 am - 3:30 pm at the Crown Plaza hotel** in Wyomissing. ALL BOARD MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.
- The 50th annual BCIU Convention of Berks County School Directors will be held at Alvernia University on **Thursday, April 23 starting at 5:30** with registration & tours; dinner is at 6:30; and the program and brief business meeting at 7:30. ALL BOARD MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.
- The next meeting of the BCIU Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2020.

March 2, 2020

Berks County Intermediate Unit (BCIU):

Berks Career and Technology Center (BCTC):

Date of Meeting: Wednesday February 26, 2020

Person Reporting: Mr. Michael Wagaman

Summary:

Under Old Business

- Approved the 2nd reading of the following policies of the Berks Career & Technology Center Policy Manual:
 - Membership 004
 - Meetings 006
 - Nondiscrimination & Harassment for School & Classroom 103
 - Nondiscrimination for Students with Disabilities 103.1
 - Nondiscrimination & Harassment for Employees 104
 - Adoption of Textbooks 108
 - Admission of Students 201
 - Attendance 204
 - Withdrawal from School 208
 - Health Examinations and Screenings 209
 - Possession & Admin. of Asthma Inhalers/Epi Pens 210.1
 - Student Expression & Distribution & Posting of Materials 220
 - Tobacco/Nicotine (Students) 222
 - Suspension and Expulsion 233
 - School Wellness 246
 - Hazing 247
 - Tobacco/Nicotine (Employees) 323

- o Professional Development 333
- o Family & Medical Leaves 335
- o Workers Compensation 346
- o Procurement 626
- o Crowdfunding 702.1
- o Maintenance 704
- o Facilities and Workplace Safety 705
- o Use of Center Facilities 707
- o Building Security 709
- o Emergency Preparedness & Response 805
- o Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies 805.1
- o Food Services 808
- o Transportation 810
- o School Bus Drivers & Comm. Motor Vehicle Drivers 810.1
- o School Vehicle Drivers 810.3
- o Contracted Services Personnel 818
- o Public Attendance at Center Events 904
- o Non-school Organizations/Groups/Individuals 913

Under New Business

None

Under Finance Committee, the Joint Operating Committee:

- Accepted the BCTC's General Fund Proposed Operating Budget for 2020 – 2021 in the amount of \$19,359,220 and distributed to participating school

districts for their review and approval.

Under Building/Insurance Committee, the Joint Operating Committee:

- There will be a Building/Insurance Committee meeting held at 5:00 pm prior to the March 25, 2020 JOC Meeting.
- Approved the following change orders for the new welding training center:

• **Uhrig Construction – General Contractor**

- § #7 – \$881.60 – Paint 5 columns from floor to bottom of steel beams.

• **H.B. Frazer – Electrical Contractor**

- § #5 – \$959.22 – Extend receptacles circuits for grinders from columns to back of welding booths to avoid using extension cords.

• **Vision Mechanical - Plumbing Contractor**

- § #1 – \$9,020.00 – Change sprinkler pipe size due to hydraulic calculation and water test results.

Under Negotiations Committee

- A Negotiations Committee meeting was held prior to the February 26, 2020 JOC meeting with the BCTCESPA.
- A Negotiations Committee meeting is scheduled on March 12, 2020 at 5:30 pm at the West Campus.
- There will be a Negotiations Committee meeting after the March 25, 2020 JOC meeting with the Act 93 representatives.

Under Program/Personnel Committee, the Joint Operating

Committee:

- Approved the creation of the instructor positions below and to authorize the BCTC Administration to post the position per BCTC policy.
 - Heavy Equipment Operations Instructor
 - Welding Technology Instructor
- Approved the revised job descriptions.
 - Assistant Director of Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment which replaces the Supervisor of Curriculum & Assessment
 - Director of Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment which replaces the Assistant Director
 - Technology Integration Coach replaces the Technology Instructional Coach and Instructional Coach
- Recognized those staff members who have met the criteria for earning tenure.
 - Alan E. Blackburn - June 7, 2019
 - Stephen S. Cote – June 7, 2019
 - Michael R. DeCarlo – October 25, 2019
 - Jose M. Gonzalez – June 7, 2019
 - Tiffany L. Greene – January 17, 2019
 - Elizabeth S. Ireland – June 7, 2019
 - Theresa M. Matthew - June 7, 2019

Under Other Committees (For Information Only):

No report

Under Personnel Matters, the Joint Operating Committee took action to approve all personnel matters as presented.

Under Other Matters for Consideration, the Joint Operating Committee:

- Approved a resolution recognizing Charlene Fisher, as the 2020 recipient of the BCTC Life-Long Friend of Career and Technical Education Award. Mrs. Fisher will be presented with the Award at the March 25th at the JOC dinner.
- Approved Michalene Berg to attend the PASPA Annual Conference on February 26 - 28, 2020 in Harrisburg, PA at a cost not to exceed \$875.
- Approved 110 BCTC students and staff to attend the HOSA State Leadership Conference in Valley Forge, PA on April 1 - 3, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$100.
- Approved Donna Noecker and Nancy Quick to attend the AVTEC at the Greater Altoona Career & Technology Center on May 3 - 4, 2020 in Altoona, PA at a cost not to exceed \$100.
- Approved Chrissy Twiford and Heather Wargo to attend the National Technical Honor Society Field Trip with students from East and West Campus in Washington, DC on April 28, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$100.
- Approval to purchase an Eco-Solvent Ink Jet Printer/Contour Cutter from Lindenmeyr Munroe from the Printing Production fund at a cost not to exceed \$14,493.15.
- Ratified the contracts to vendors for the heating oil, diesel and gasoline bids for the 2020-2021 fiscal year per the Berks County Joint Purchasing Bid awarded January 30, 2020 as presented.
- Approved a fiber build out for an internet circuit at East Campus which will improve their existing internet connection. The build out of \$19,541 is a one-time cost in which \$11,724.60 will be reimbursed through E-rate with a net cost of \$7816.40 to the BCTC General Fund. The total monthly recurring cost will be \$719.22, which will be discounted \$431.53 through E-rate, with a net cost of \$287.69 a month from the BCTC General Fund.
- Approved the purchase of a firewall through ePlus at a total cost of \$13,472.70. \$8,083.62 will be reimbursed through E-rate, which will leave a net cost of \$5,389.08 to

the BCTC General Fund.

- Authorized administration to bid Welding equipment at an estimated cost of \$115,000.
- Approved a HOSA Educational Day, STEM Day, on May 15, 2020 with 98 East Campus students to HersheyPark in Hershey, PA at a cost not to exceed \$100.
- Approved the purchase and installation of a new digital radio system at both campuses through the Safety and Security Grant with Triangle Communications under State contract for \$38,688.70.
- Approved the purchase and installation of a new wide area digital radio system for student transportation through the Safety and Security Grant with Triangle Communications under State contract for \$10,242.00.
- Approved Donna Noecker to take 39 East Campus students to the SkillsUSA Conference in Hershey, PA on April 15 – 17, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$100.
- Approved Karla Gibson to take 23 students to the FCCLA State Leadership Conference at State College on March 20 – April 1, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$100.
- Approved Dr. Kraft and Dr. Stauffer to attend the ACTE - CTE Innovation Summit as part of the National Policy Seminar in Arlington, VA on March 31 – April 1, 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$1,600.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2020,

Berks Earned Income Tax Collection Bureau (BEITC):

Date of Meeting:

Person Reporting: Mr. Craig Neiman
Summary: Nothing new to report.

Berks County Committee on Legislative Action (COLA):

Date of Meeting: February 11, 2020
Person Reporting: Mrs. Laura Walizer
Summary: Hannah Barrick, Assistant Executive Director from PASBO presented at the COLA meeting. Presentation linked [here](#).
Next meeting April 14, 2020.

Policy Committee:

Date of Meeting:
Person Reporting: Mr. Michael Wagaman
Summary: Nothing new to report.

Strategic Planning/Goals:

Date of Meeting:
Person Reporting: Mrs. Alexis Eisenhart
Summary: Nothing new to report.

Negotiations/Compensation Committee:

Date of Meeting:
Person Reporting: Mrs. Elizabeth Huhn

Summary: Nothing new to report.

Building Construction Committee:

Date of Meeting: 27 February 2020

Person Reporting: Mrs. Elizabeth Huhn, Mr. John Tomasi, Mr. Michael Wagaman

Summary: The Board Building Construction Committee met with the administrative team and Crabtree Rohrbagh Architects (CRA) to continue planning the Elementary Addition project. A review of the current floor plans was conducted. All areas remain as planned and previously reported including the addition of four new classrooms (two in the existing library and two new built next to the new gym), a new gymnasium, a relocated library and STEM learning area in the existing gymnasium. Discussions regarding the fire code and the decision to develop a one-hour fire rated wall for all new areas versus running a sprinkler system through the new construction areas occurred. More information and investigation will be occurring to make a final decision on the design. Finally, the phasing of the project was discussed, with the goal to minimize educational disruption for the students. Three options were presented including 1/ investing in portable classrooms to keep 3rd grade classrooms at the ES during construction; 2/ staging the construction project phases removing the library for the year; and 3/ moving 3rd grade to the IS/MS for one year. Due to cost and construction schedule considerations, the Administration is recommending moving the 3rd grade to the IS/MS during the year of construction. This is the most cost effective and least disruptive to the learning process as a whole for all students. The March meeting will consist of a presentation on the Act 34 hearing, an update on the building project and phasing options. The next meeting of the Facilities & Building Construction Committee is scheduled for 3/25 @ 8:30 a.m.



Superintendent Report

March 2, 2020

Curriculum/Instruction:

- 1. CS SCRIPT (Strategic Computer Science for all Resource & Implementation Planning Tool)**
 - 3/2/20 - Mandatory strategic planning meeting for all PAsmart grant recipients
- 2. PA Science Standards Stakeholder Event**
 - 3/3/20 - BHASD will provide feedback to PDE (via BCIU @ PaTTAN in Harrisburg)
- 3. Wonders Professional Development**
 - 3/4/20 - Grades 4 & 5, Title Teachers, Interventionists, and Special Education Teachers
- 4. Personalized Learning Professional Development Day**
 - 3/10/20 - BHASD Personalized Learning (PL) teachers to meet with PL teachers from other districts to collaborate
- 5. Curriculum Audit**
 - 3/17/20 - BHASD to participate in a PD session at the BCIU focused on curriculum audit best practices
- 6. Graduation Requirement Committee**
 - 3/25/20 - An ad hoc committee has been created gather feedback and insights regarding graduation requirements
- 7. Professional Development Committee**
 - 3/26/20 - The Professional Development Committee will begin work planning out next year's PD opportunities

Brandywine Heights Virtual Academy:

- 1. Enrollment**
 - 250 Students
 - 24 Full-Time
 - 226 Part-Time / Blended
- 2. Educational Showcase Event - Save the Date**
 - Thursday, April 16th from 5 pm - 7 pm at BHHS

Technology:

- 1. Copier Lease**



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- 2/21/20 - Round 1: Vendor Presentations
- 2. Cybersecurity Collaborative Discussion**
 - 3/10/20 - BCIU to host event "Working Together to Manage Risk and Protect Kids"
 - Mr. Kevin Dellicker & Mr. Scott Major to present

Athletics:

- 1. Spring Sports:**
 - Spring Sports Night will be held on Thursday, February 27th at the High School starting at 6:00 PM.
 - High School Spring Sports starts on March 2nd.
 - Middle School Spring Sports starts on March 9th.
 - Peak Performance training scheduled for spring athletes on March 16th.
- 2. Boys Basketball:**
 - Won the Division III BCIAA title. Last title was in 1989.
 - Boys Basketball team qualified for the BCIAA, District III and PIAA playoffs for the first time since 1983.
 - John Harrison became the all-time leading scorer in Brandywine Heights history.
- 3. Wrestling:**
 - Qualified for BCIAA Playoffs.
 - 6 Wrestlers qualified for Districts.
 - Jake Deysher and Noah Frack finished first at District III Sectionals.
- 4. Girls Basketball:**
 - Qualified for BCIAA Playoffs.
- 5. Swimming:**
 - Aiden Sherman, Qualified for District III Championships.
 - Michaela Hersh, Qualified for District III Championships.
 - Skylar Strunk, Qualified for District III Championships.

Brandywine Heights Community Task Force:

- 1. Education Events**
 - Managing Stress/Anxiety - Date & Location TBD (late spring)
 - Educational Showcase - April 16, 2020 - Collaboration with HS SADD Club & Council on Chemical Abuse
- 2. Future Events**
 - Music in the Park with Topton Borough - June 7, 2020
 - Battle of the Bands - August 30, 2020
- 3. Ongoing Initiatives**



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- Funding Too Good for Drugs Curriculum for grades K-5
- Funding WHY Club afterschool program for grades 6-8

4. Monthly Meetings

- Tuesday, March 10, 2020 | 6:30 pm @ BHMS Library
- Tuesday, April 14, 2020 | 6:30 pm @ BHMS Library

Brandywine Heights Area School District
 District Enrollment Board Report
 March 2020

Class of	Grade	Total Enrollment	Staff 2018-19	Average Class Size	Students with Academic IEPs (with possible related services)		Free/Reduced Lunch students		Virtual Academy Full Time	Virtual Academy Part Time/Blended
2032	Kindergarten	97	5	19.40	13	13.40%	32	32.99%	2	0
2031	First Grade	105	5	21.00	16	15.24%	34	32.38%	0	0
2030	Second Grade	97	5	19.40	15	15.46%	30	30.93%	1	0
2029	Third Grade	113	5	22.60	33	29.20%	42	37.17%	0	0
Elementary		412							3	0
2028	Fourth Grade	105	5	21.00	32	30.48%	43	40.95%	0	1
2027	Fifth Grade	104	5	20.80	26	25.00%	33	31.73%	0	2
Intermediate		209							0	3
2026	Sixth Grade	85	4	21.25	30	35.29%	27	31.76%	1	3
2025	Seventh Grade	119			28	23.53%	44	36.97%	1	7
2024	Eighth Grade	113			21	18.58%	33	29.20%	0	2
Middle School		317							2	12
2023	Ninth Grade	132			25	18.94%	35	26.52%	2	40
2022	Tenth Grade	127			32	25.20%	45	35.43%	4	37
2021	Eleventh Grade	93			12	12.90%	24	25.81%	2	53
2020	Twelfth Grade	125			25	20.00%	39	31.20%	11	81
High School		477							19	211
Out of District Placements		14			14	100.00%				
Totals		1429			322	21.79%	461	32.12%	24	226