

COLONIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA
Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2017

The Finance and Audit Committee meeting was held on March 6, 2017 in the Superintendent's Conference Room located in the Colonial Elementary School at 230 Flourtown Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA. Felix Raimondo called the meeting to order at 5:16 PM.

Finance Committee Members Present: Felix Raimondo, Mel Brodsky and Bernie Brady

Other Board Members Present: Susan Moore, Beth Suchsland, Leslie Finegold and Cathy Peduzzi

Others Present: Dr. MaryEllen Gorodetzer, Denise Marks, David Sherman and Trevor Jackson

Public Present: Linda Doll

Regular Meeting:

Mr. Jackson announced that the Board met in an executive session prior to the meeting to discuss matters relating to assessment appeal settlements. The meeting lasted approximately ten minutes.

Mr. Jackson asked for any public comments on the agenda; there were none.

Mr. Jackson, along with Denise Marks, presented a PowerPoint to the committee seeking feedback regarding the committee's willingness to move forward with exploring the opportunity of naming rights of the new west gym and other large capital expenditures. The committee was in favor of moving forward with this concept and that next steps would be to form a sub-committee and make sure there is a board policy in place that reflects the board's parameters for securing naming rights. Leslie Finegold stated she might be interested in serving on this committee. Denise Marks and Cathy Peduzzi will begin looking at assembling the committee members.

Mr. Jackson presented a revised advertising policy as a first read.

Mr. Jackson provided a status update to the budget timeline highlighting that budget information will be presented at the March 24 board retreat with more detailed information being presented at the April 3 finance committee meeting.

Mr. Jackson presented the proposal for a new agreement for tax collection services with Northeast Revenue Service. The agreement would be for 2 years with two additional one year options for renewal. Mr. Jackson highlighted the great service that Northeast Revenue has demonstrated over the past four years. The committee was very much in favor of moving forward with a new agreement. A new agreement will be presented at the March 16 regular board meeting for formal approval.

Mr. Jackson presented the 2017-18 MCIU Member Services agreement to the committee; the agreement reflected a 2.26% increase, which was based on the district's ADM's and aide ratio.

Mr. Felix Raimondo made a motion to the committee to secure the services of the Chester County Intermediate Unit for conducting the superintendent search for the replacement of the district's current superintendent who is retiring in August 2017. Mr. Mel Brodsky seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously, 7-0, to move forward with the contract (subject to the solicitor's review).

Mr. Jackson asked for any public comments on non-agenda items. Mrs. Doll stated that construction of a new west gym was needed sooner rather than later because it will only cost the district more over time. Mr. Brodsky asked if the administration could provide information for how all the projects currently approved and being discussed are going to be funded. Dr. Gorodetzer stated that information will be presented at the March 24 retreat.

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trevor S. Jackson
Business Administrator