LMSD Board of School Directors Business Meeting Highlights
Oct. 21, 2019, Business Meeting

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NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR RECOGNITION
The meeting started with the recognition of the District’s Semifinalists and Commended students in the National Merit Scholarship Competition.

The Harriton High School Semifinalists are:

- Cierra Anderson
- Anna Lee
- Melanie Sporn
- Ravi Balasubramanian
- Amelie LeMay
- Samuel Weissman
- Ryan Cohen
- Patrick McCann
- Emily Wright
- Teri Ke
- Emily Sandler
- Sunme Zhao

The Lower Merion High School Semifinalists are:

- Samantha Anderer
- Charles Berman
- Christopher de Santis
- William de Santis
- Xuan Feldman
- Eugenia Feng
- Chang-Chi Huang
- Da In Kim
- Alexander Levinson
- Annie Liang
- Jaimie Lim
- David Lu
- Jason Ren
- Sydney Schur
- Oliver Stern
- Kristiana Filipov*
- Michael O’Connor
- Theodore Paniagua
- Ayhan Hakimoglu
- Jay Ramaswamy
- Elia Wonnacott
- Shaina Ginsberg
- Thomas Rosini
- Owen Warden
- William Leedy*
- Lorraine Ruppert
- Katherine Lynch
- Asher Sachs
- Theo Sharp
- Olivia Sutor
- Monali Zhao
- Ayhan Hakimoglu
- Jay Ramaswamy
- Elia Wonnacott
- Shaina Ginsberg
- Thomas Rosini
- Owen Warden
- William Leedy*
- Lorraine Ruppert
- Katherine Lynch
- Ayhan Hakimoglu
- Jay Ramaswamy
- Elia Wonnacott
- Shaina Ginsberg
- Thomas Rosini
- Owen Warden
- William Leedy*
- Lorraine Ruppert
- Katherine Lynch
The Lower Merion High School Commended students are:

- Maya Ackerman
- Oron Barash
- Eric Bing
- Helena Blobel
- Gabriel Brodeur
- Teresa Cato
- Anna Dubnoff
- Samantha Gaier
- Jacob Gottesman
- Adam Hetzelson
- Micah-Daniel
- Jimoh
- Roland Johnson
- Eliza Keefe
- Zeke Katz
- Lewis Kothmann
- Jasmine Li
- Jeffrey Lipson
- Henry Mills
- Ezra Mittman
- Haley Morgenstern
- Julius Murphy
- Niklas Fant
- Leo Strudler
- Talia Trentacoste
- Colleen Wang

*National Hispanic Recognition Program

**AUDIENCE RECOGNITION ON ACTION ITEMS**
No comment was given at this time.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S UPDATE**
As Mr. Copeland, along with Mr. Hughes and Mr. Weinstein, had already recognized the National Merit students, no further update was given at this time.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**
The Board approved personnel actions across the District, including staff hires, re-hires and reclassifications for the 2019-2020 school year.

The Board recognized the passing of Mr. William Brubaker, who served the District as a social studies teacher at BC Junior High, assistant principal at BCMS, acting principal at Narberth Elementary, assistant principal and principal at WVMS and principal at Cynwyd Elementary from 1962 until his retirement in January 2000.

**EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**
Dr. Vann Lynch reported on the Oct. 8, 2019, meeting of the Curriculum Committee, where the committee reviewed the contracts with Dr. Bena Kallick, who is consulting with the District’s work on elementary report cards and iTutor, which will provide online tutoring services for the 1:1 Tutoring initiative when face-to-face tutoring is not available. The committee also heard a presentation from Dr. Pratt regarding NoRedInk, which is a program that helps teach grammar and a presentation from Dr. Eveslage about the District’s summer programs.
The Board approved the following overnight trips:

- BCMS, WVMS, HHS and LMHS TSA trip to Harrisburg in November
- BCMS, WVMS Student Council trip to Johnstown, Pa. in November
- HHS, LMHS NSBE to Pittsburgh in November and San Antonio in March
- LMHS French students to Quebec in February
- HHS Science Olympiad to Boston in January

The Board approved the following:

- Contract with Dr. Bena Kallick
- Contract with iTutor
- Proposal from The Improve Group in collaboration with WestEd to evaluate special education programming

**STUDENT SERVICES**
The Board approved the following:

- Educational service agreements for students receiving non-District Educational Services
- Contract with the CCIU to provide 4 behavior specialists for the school year
- Agreement with Achieve 3000 to provide an online tool for differentiated instruction

**BUSINESS OFFICE AND FINANCE**
Mr. Driscoll gave a report on the Oct. 17, 2019, Facilities/Purchasing Committee Meeting reviewing the items that were recommended for tonight’s agenda along with an update from Spiezle Architectural Group and Reynolds Construction about the PlanCon process.

The Board approved the following items:

- List of Bills reviewed through the Facilities and Purchasing Committee as well as the September 2019 LMSD Financial Report.
- Accepted with gratitude the donations of $250 from Abigail and Jascha Rubin towards the District’s school lunch fund
- Appointment of the firm of Klehr Harrison for professional services related to the plans for the new middle school and fields

**FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS**
The Board approved the following items:

- Contracts for a backhoe rental for 425 Belmont and a boiler replacement at PVES
- Transportation carrier contract with Medical Transport Systems
- Seventh amendment to the professional services agreement with Spiezle Architectural Group
Professional services contract with Chester Valley Engineers for temporary classrooms at MES and additional work on the playing fields for the new MS
Quote and addendum with Kronos Inc. for a software update
Quote from PowerSchool Enterprise Management Services
Quotes from StarLite and Anchor Audio Systems to replace wireless microphones that are on a frequency discontinued by the FCC
Change order for hazardous material abatement and demolition at 1860 W. Montgomery Ave.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Robinson gave a report on the Oct. 11, 2019, Policy Committee Meeting where the following Policies had second readings:
- Policy 220 Courses Beyond Instructional Program
- Policy 240 Make-up Work (proposed for repeal, to be incorporated into Policy 207 Attendance)
- Policy 241 Releasing Pupils During the School Day (proposed for repeal, to be incorporated into Policy 207 Attendance)
- Policy 242 Obtaining a High School Diploma in Less than Four Years
- Policy 255 Confidentiality of Social Security Numbers (proposed for repeal because the District doesn’t collect Social Security Numbers)
- Policy/AR 800 Records Management

NEW BUSINESS

First Readings:
- Policy 239 Awards, Scholarships and Contests Sponsored by Outside Organizations

The Board approved its meeting dates for 2020.

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Finger reported on the Sept. 25, 2019 Communications Committee Report where the following items were discussed
- Implementation of Raptor Visitor Management and Volunteer Management systems
- Blackbaud CRM to be replaced with Finalsite system for Alumni and Ed Foundation
- Residencies implementation
- New MS communications: MS Ambassadors selected, quarterly newsletter will be sent
- Sleep and School Start Time communications plan
- Proposed initiatives: Gold Passes and LMSD 101

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION
A Harriton High School Student asked the Board to consider two non-voting high school students to be appointed to the Board of School Directors as student body representatives.

A Wynnewood resident had questions on the summer school programs from the presentation given at the Education Committee Meeting.

Two Penn Wynne residents urged the Board not to increase the blacktop play area at PWES.

SUNSHINE ACT
Mr. Roos, Solicitor from Wisler Pearlstine, reported when the Board of School Directors met in an Executive Session and the topic discussed.

UPCOMING MEETING DATES
Board Meetings: (at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room, unless otherwise noted)
Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. – Special Meeting of the Board to hear recommendation on School Start Times in the LMHS Auditorium
Monday, Nov. 11, 2019 – Education Committee/Supplemental Board Meeting
Monday, Nov. 18, 2019 – Regular Business Board Meeting

Committee Meetings: (at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room, unless otherwise noted)
Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019 – Curriculum Committee
Friday, Nov. 8, 2019 – Policy Committee
Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019 – Facilities and Purchasing Committee
Thursday, Nov. 21, 2019 – Communications Committee at 7:00 p.m.

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