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# LMSD Board of School Directors September 19, 2022, Business Meeting Highlights

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# **SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE/PRESENTATIONS**

Ms. Klain urged parents and guardians to get involved through the many opportunities outlined by Dr. Mumin in his <u>recent letter to families</u>. She added that recording and posting committee meetings will be discussed at the upcoming Communications Committee meeting.

Dr. Mumin introduced Emmi Wu, Lower Merion High School student representative, and Allessandra Simmons, Harriton High School student representative. He then stated that his annual goals, on which he works with the Board members, will be published in the coming weeks. These include refreshing the <a href="Strategic Plan All Forward">Strategic Plan All Forward</a>, Communication and Stakeholder Engagement, Equity and Anti-Racism, the Achievement Gap, and the reimagination of the grade configuration to K-4, 5-8 and 9-12.

### **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**

Ms. Wu reported that LMHS students are excited about their new principal, Dr. Johnson, the new ACES (Accountability, Character, Effort and Safety) acronym posters that are hanging up at school, and a change when advisory is held. Student Council is hosting an activities fair and already hosted a Spirit Week. Clubs, including Players, have started up.

Ms. Simmons introduced herself and reported that HHS students are happy to start a "semi-normal" school year despite a rainy first day that caused the postponement of the traditional Senior Sunrise event. Grade level and community-building meetings have been held and school spirit and attendance at sporting events are high. An activities fair has already been held and a Homecoming is being planned.

Ms. Kalish reported on the September 8, 2022, Curriculum Committee meeting where the contracts up for votes at tonight's meeting were reviewed. There was also a presentation on how technology is integrated into instruction and activities in the District. Finally, the committee heard an update on K-4 and 5-8 scheduling.

Ms. Robinson reported on the September 9, 2022, Policy Committee meeting where they planned which Policies and Administrative Regulations will be reviewed in the upcoming year. There was also discussion of student wellness, student laptops, use of electronic devices in school and maintaining District property.

Mr. Lee reported on the September 15, 2022, Facilities and Purchasing Committee meeting, which included review of the following items: the list of bills, the contracts and purchasing report items listed on tonight's agenda and an update on construction of the new middle school. This included delaying the track surfacing so that the on-campus multi-purpose field can continue to be accessed for use by PE classes this fall, as the main gym floor is laid.

#### **AUDIENCE RECOGNITION**

During audience recognition, District residents commented on the following topics, in person and via the chat feature on Zoom.

- Trees on the Black Rock Middle School field site
- Full-day Kindergarten and the timeline for the committee formation
  - Dr. McGloin noted that applications are being received at this time and likely will
    continue to be received until the end of the week. Selections for a representative
    committee will happen thereafter, with a first meeting in mid-October. The committee
    will determine what kind of surveying should be done. Then there will be operational
    logistics to work out, along with site visits. Meetings will be held monthly.
- Public participation in committee meetings
- HEPA air cleaners in classrooms
- Reducing the District's carbon footprint
- Submitting proposals to the PSBA (Pennsylvanie School Board Association) legislative agenda
  - Ms. Klain said that planning for objectives for the Board's legislative committee is underway. Individual school board members were able to rank PSBA's legislative goals, which was the process for setting the agenda.

#### ROUTINE/BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT

The Board approved the minutes of prior Board meeting and committee meeting(s).

Prior to moving to a consent agenda, an IMC change order was pulled from the consent agenda. The Board approved the change order with a stipulation that the District could move it forward unilaterally.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items were approved as a consent agenda.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

The Board approved:

■ Personnel actions across the District, including staff hires, re-hires and reclassifications for the 2022-2023 school year.

### **STUDENT SERVICES**

The Board approved:

- Educational Service Agreements for students receiving non-District educational services.
- Contract with Chadds Ford Alternacare, Inc. for nurses and personal care assistants
- Renewal of the intergovernmental agreement with the CCIU

# **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

The Board approved:

- Renewal quote from BrainPOP
- Renewal of the MCIU Title I services agreement
- Renewal quote from Generation Genius

### **BUSINESS OFFICE AND FINANCE**

The Board approved the following items:

- List of Bills.
- August 2022 LMSD Financial Report.

The Board accepted with gratitude the following donation;

■ \$861.72 from the Lower Merion/Harriton Alumni Association for commemorative pennants for the BRMS ribbon-cutting ceremony

# **FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS**

The Board approved the following items:

- Contract for removal of temporary electric service at BRMS
- Ninth amendment to the agreement with Right At School for childcare services
- Quote from PowerSchool for Unified TalentEd Perform renewal
- Order form from UKG for additional equipment licenses and support
- Work change request from ePlus Technology for desktop technicians
- Statement of Work from ImageTech Systems
- Change order amendment 2 from Lumen21 for contract extension
- Individual Work Order to F. Tavani and Assoc. for traffic study at PWES
- Change orders for BRMS and BCMS

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Board approved:

■ Donation request for eight laptops to Saints Scholars Program at the Saints Memorial Baptist Church in Bryn Mawr

### **SUNSHINE ACT**

Mr. Roos, Solicitor from Wisler Pearlstine, reported that the Board of School Directors met for an information session/professional development on August 20, 2022, and an executive session this evening to discuss personnel matter and the Wolk case settlement status.

# **UPCOMING MEETING DATES**

Board Meetings will be held at 8:00 p.m. in the DAO Board Room:

- October 10 Education Committee and Supplementary Regular Board Meeting
- October 17 Regular Business Board Meeting

Committee Meetings will be held in the Board Room (and livestreamed) starting at 8:30 a.m. unless noted otherwise:

- September 28 Communications Committee (\*7:00 p.m.)
- October 4 Curriculum Committee
- October 7 Policy Committee
- October 13 Facilities and Purchasing Committee
- October 26 Ad-Hoc Committee on Equity and Anti-Racism (\*7:00 p.m.)

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