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LMSD Board of School Directors Business Meeting Highlights

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SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Fall Sports Begin

High school fall sports teams began practicing this week in preparation for the upcoming season. Fall sports include girls volleyball, girls tennis, boys soccer, girls soccer, golf, football, field hockey, cheerleading, girls cross country and boys cross country. To view the Harriton athletics calendar, [click here](#). To view the Lower Merion athletics calendar, [click here](#).

HUMAN RESOURCES

Several LMSD staff members announced their retirement this month. Best wishes to Dennis Bannon (Mathematics/HHS), Bridget Famiglio (Grade 2/Cynwyd), Howard Kritzer (Social Studies/HHS) and Larry Wilson (Transportation).

The Board approved the appointment of Joseph Devine as assistant principal at Welsh Valley Middle School. Mr. Devine most recently served as an assistant principal in the Radnor Township School District. Previously, he served as an administrator in the Hatboro-Horsham School District.

The District mourns the passing of LMHS school counselor Bridgett Hull following a long and courageous battle with cancer. A member of the LMHS team since 1999, Ms. Hull was a caring and dedicated counselor and a beloved and respected colleague who made lasting contributions to the District.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES ACTIONS

Among the items approved by the Board included: a contract with the College Board for PSAT/NMSQT exams for 10th and 11th grades; an agreement with Dr. Andrea Fishman for literacy professional development for the 2016-17 school year; and a contract renewal with ProQuest for digital publications (news and library resources).

STUDENT SERVICES ACTIONS

Among the items approved by the Board included: an independent consultant agreement with Bayada Home Health Care for RNs on a substitute basis (as needed) for the 2016-17 school year; an independent consultant agreement with Quinn Developmental Services to provide onsite professional expertise (behavior consultant) to teachers and staff for the 2016-17 school year; and an agreement with the American Red Cross for the participation fees for certifications for the next three school years.

BUSINESS OFFICE AND FINANCE

The Board approved a List of Bills reviewed through the Facilities & Purchasing Committee as well as the July 2016 LMSD Financial Report. The Board accepted the following donations:

- A plaque from employees of the Operations Department to honor former employee Bill Sargent, a custodian at Lower Merion High School who passed away while on duty.
- \$3,750 from the Penn Wynne Home and School Association for three new water fountains for students and staff.
- \$1,400 from the Penn Wynne Home and School Association Fifth Grade Committee for umbrellas for use by students and staff moving between the main school building and portable classrooms.

FACILITIES & OPERATIONS

Contracts approved with Atlas Transportation, Klein Transportation, Krapfs Coaches, Wilson Metz, Perkiomen Motorcoach, Philadelphia Transportation, Sague, Superior Bus Services, Inc, and Werner Coach for student transportations services for the 2016-17 school year...Master agreement approved for Consultant Services from Burns Engineering, Inc. for design and implementation of cabling infrastructure for telecommunications and data communications technology...License agreement approved with Lower Merion Aquatic Club for use of the Lower Merion High School swimming pool for swimming and diving programs for the 2016-17 school year...Consultant agreement approved with Phyllis Glackman for photography and writing projects for District website, publications, etc. for the 2016-17 school year...Quotes approved from Starlite Productions for music equipment and installation in LMHS music classrooms.

UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Upcoming Meeting Dates: September 7 Curriculum Committee @ 8:30 AM; September 9 Policy Committee @ 8:30 AM; September 12 Education Committee & Supplementary Regular Board @ 8:00 PM; September 15 Facilities/Purchasing Committee @ 8:30 AM; September 19 Regular Business Board @ 8:00 PM and September 21 Communications Committee @ 7:00 PM

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