Exeter Township School District

200 Elm Street
Reading, Pennsylvania 19606

Board of School Directors

Workshop Meeting Agenda

January 13, 2015
7:00 P.M.

BCTC – East Campus
SUBJECT: Meeting of the Exeter Township Board of School Directors on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building.

PRESENTATIONS:

A. Update on Step 2 of Refinancing Plan and Discussion on Step 3 – Jamie Schlesinger, PFM

B. Update on Transportation Center Project – Justin Istenes, AEM Architects

III. Minutes:

A. Board Reorganization Minutes – December 2, 2014 (Attachment III.A)
B. Board Workshop Minutes – December 2, 2014 (Attachment III.B)
C. Board Voting Minutes – December 16, 2014 (Attachment III.C)

V. Business Functions: Dr. Timura

A. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approves budget transfers for the month of December, 2014, in the amount of $26,396. (Attachment V.A)

B. It is recommended that the board of school directors awards the bid for two buses to Brightbill Body Works, the lowest bidder. The total cost for two new 77 passenger Blue Bird Buses is $184,350. The trade value for the 1998 and 2001 buses is $17,000. The net cost of the lowest bid is $167,350. (Attachment V.B)

C. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the submission to the Berks County Tax Claim Office the 2014 St. Lawrence Borough School Real Estate taxes declared delinquent in the amount of $________. Collection rate was _____%. (Last year’s amount, $26,563.20; 98.85% collection.)

D. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the submission to the Berks County Tax Claim Office the 2014 Exeter Township School Real Estate taxes declared delinquent in the amount of $________. Collection rate was _____%. (Last year’s amount, $1,219,684.47; 96.9% collection.)
VI. Personnel Committee: Dr. Bender

A. RESIGNATIONS:

It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approves or ratifies the following resignations:

1. SUPPORT STAFF:

2. EXTRACURRICULAR STAFF:

B. APPOINTMENTS:

It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approves or ratifies the following appointments:

1. CERTIFICATED STAFF:
   a. Kelsey E. Adair – Junior High Special Education Long-Term Substitute, for Mary Montanya while she is on leave, at a salary of $40,000 (Open Step), beginning January 2, 2015 through and including March 27, 2015.
   b. Beth A. Simek – Senior High Special Education Long-Term Substitute, for Heather Hennessey while she is on leave, at a salary of $40,000 (Open Step), beginning February 9, 2015 through the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

2. EXTRACURRICULAR STAFF:
   a. Angela Rose – Senior High Junior Varsity Head Winter Cheerleading Coach - Interim, at a salary of $842.50 (prorated) (Category 9, Level 2), effective for the 2014-2015 school year, pending receipt of documentation.
   b. Spring Coaching Staff (Attachment VI.B.2.b)
C. CHANGE OF STATUS:

It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approves or ratifies the following requests for change of status:

1. SUPPORT STAFF:

   a. Lynn O’Brien – Transferring from General Cafeteria position (2.50 hours/day) at Owatin Creek Elementary to General Cafeteria position (3 hours/day) at Lorane Elementary, at no change in pay rate, effective January 5, 2015.

   b. Laura Wike – Transferring from General Cafeteria position (4.50 hours/day) at the Junior High to Assistant Head Cook (6.75 hours/day) at the Senior High, at a rate of $18.45/hour, effective January 5, 2015.

E. STAFF CONFERENCES:

It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approves the following staff conferences:

Staff Conferences, Estimated Fees:

1. Attendee(s): Lori Eddy
   Title: Safety Care Initial Behavioral Safety Training
   Organization: BCIU
   Date(s): February 4-5, 2015
   Costs: Reg-$0; Trans-$0; Meals-$0; Lodging-$0; Sub-$0; Wages-$0
   Total Cost: $0.00

2. Attendee(s): Joseph Way
   Title: Annual Conference
   Organization: PA Educational Technology Expo & Conference (Pete & C)
   Date(s): February 9-10, 2015
   Costs: Reg-$195; Trans-$50; Meals-$0; Lodging-$0; Sub-$0; Wages-$0
   Total Cost: $245.00

3. Attendee(s): Suzanne Miller
   Title: 2015 CPM Teacher Conference (San Francisco, CA)
   Organization: College Prep Math
   Date(s): February 27-28, 2015
   Costs: Reg-$200; Trans-$600; Meals-$90; Lodging-$360; Sub-$0; Fees-$35
   Total Cost: $1,284.00

4. Attendee(s): Erin Staub
   Title: STEM-Focused Career Development
   Organization: ASSET STEM Education
   Date(s): March 30, 2015
   Costs: Reg-$0; Trans-$160; Meals-$0; Lodging-$0; Sub-$0; Tolls-$19.57
   Total Cost: $179.57
Staff Conferences, Estimated Fees:

5. Attendee(s): Sally Lamm
   Title: Book Expo of America
   Organization: Book Expo of America
   Date(s): May 28, 2015
   Costs: Reg-$150; Trans-$0; Meals-$0; Lodging-$0; Sub-$0; Tolls-$0
   Total Cost: $150.00

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Accumulated Estimate of Staff Conference Fees:
$1,859.57

VII. Student Functions: Mrs. Kutscher

A. It is reported that the following field trip(s), within the 60-mile radius, have been approved:

1. Senior High Gifted students to the Topton American Legion Post 217 on January 17, 2015, to compete in a practice PA Oratorical contest.

2. Senior High Choral Music students to Muhlenberg High School on January 22-24, 2015 for the PMEA District 10 Chorus Festival.

3. Owatin Creek Multi-Disabled and Life Skills students to Bowl-O-Rama on January 23, February 27, March 20, April 24 and May 29, 2015.

4. Senior High Orchestra members to Conrad Weiser High School on January 27, 2015 for Senior County Orchestra.

5. Senior High Band members to Conrad Weiser High School on January 28, 2015 for Senior County Band rehearsal.

6. Senior High Choral Music students to Conrad Weiser High School on January 30, 2015 for the Berks Senior County Chorus Festival.

7. Senior High Orchestra members to Blue Mountain School District on February 4, 2015 for District Orchestra.

8. Junior High Band and Orchestra members to Governor Mifflin High School on February 17, 2015 for County Band and Orchestra auditions.

B. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approves a contract agreement between the Exeter Township School District and Autism & Behavioral Consulting, LLC, to provide Board Certified Behavior Analyst(s) (BCBAs) at Exeter Township School District, at a rate of $95/hour plus $0.55 per mile for mileage reimbursement, for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year.
DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. 2015-2016 School Calendar – Dr. Beverly Martin  (Attachment D-A)