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QUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

DISTRICT SERVICES CENTER
100 Commerce Drive, Quakertown, PA 18951

Minutes of the Thursday, June 25, 2015 Regular Voting Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:15 PM

President, Paul Stepanoff called the meeting to order with a quorum present as indicated in the roll call below. He announced the meeting is being recorded. An Executive Session was held prior to tonight's meeting to discuss contract negotiations, a legal issue and a real estate matter.

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. ROLL CALL:

<u>Board of School Directors</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Paul Stepanoff, President	X	
Mrs. Joyce King, Vice President	X	
Mr. Dwight Anderson	X	
Mr. Ronald Jackson	X	
Mr. Steaven P. Klein		X
Mr. Stephen Ripper	X	
Mr. Charles Shermer	X	
Mr. Robert Smith	X	
Mrs. Fern Strunk		X
Dr. William E. Harner, Superintendent, Non-Voting Member		
Mrs. Alice K. Bishop, Non-Member Secretary		

Others Present

Ms. Nancianne Edwards, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Suzanne Laverick-Stone, Assistant to the Superintendent
Mr. Robert Riegel, CPA, Business Administrator/Treasurer
Mr. Jeffrey P. Garton, Esquire, Begley, Carlin & Mandio, LLP

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May I have a motion to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2015 meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Quakertown Community School District.

Motion:	Ron Jackson
Second:	Charles Shermer
Result:	Motion passed unanimously

V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Madison Calder, Richlandtown Borough addressed the board as a representative from the Class of 2015 and spoke to the board about Mr. Stepanoff's graduation speech and as a result of the speech the students held a protest the next morning. She asked the board to allow the members of the graduating class to choose their speaker.

Mary Catherine Bluder, Milford Township addressed the board regarding the sale of the Moravian Tile Fireplace. She suggested the appraisal may not reflect the actual value of the tiles and recommended two auction houses for the board to contact: Brown Bros. Buckingham, and Sanford Alderfer Auction House in Harleysville.

Ms. Edwards explained the process of the appraisal and the difficulty in removing the tiles from the surrounding concrete.

Mr. Jackson responded to Miss Calder and believes that this year's graduation speech was not political or inappropriate and the main point of the speech was that free speech in all its forms is something that is no longer welcome in certain conditions. If a celebrity was to have given the speech Mr. Jackson was certain that political issues would have been expressed.

Mr. Ripper commented that he was at the protest and was handed 94 student comments to the speech and most of them were foul and vulgar. He reprimanded the students for their vulgarity the poor spelling and penmanship and encouraged them to act like adults.

Mr. Smith noted that the board should reevaluate the graduation speech issue as a whole. He believes that graduation is about the students and their accomplishments and should not be tarnished by what is said. He asked the board to move on from the tradition of having the board president speak.

Mr. Anderson noted that the graduation speech is an opportunity to be didactic and he believes that Mr. Stepanoff's speech was didactic.

Mr. Shermer has no problem with the protest and was appalled by the comments on the student surveys and believes that they do not represent the entire senior class. He believes the students have the right to protest and the graduation speech was all about free speech.

Linda Vercione, Richland Township addressed the board regarding the education of the students. She believes in free speech and commented on the graduation speech.

Mr. Ripper thanked Ms. Vercione for her service to our country.

Devon Dean, Richland Township addressed the board regarding the generalization of the class of 2015. He asked the board to focus on the positive instead of the negative.

Rick Orloff, Richland Township addressed the board regarding the over-emphasis of the graduation speech.

VI. REPORTS

A. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

High School Schedule Timeline for 2016-2017

Dr. Holler explained the high school schedule timeline for the 2016-17 school year. Mr. Anderson asked about the schedule and possible changes. Mr. Jackson asked when the 2015-16 schedule was prepared. Dr. Holler explained the process and the reasons why the 2016-17 schedule was revised.

Board approved Courses 2014-15

Dr. Harner presented a list of courses that were approved from June 2014 through this summer. Mr. Anderson thanked the Curriculum office for all their work.

Organization Chart

Dr. Harner presented the revised organizational chart for 2015-16.

Tohickon Valley ES

Dr. Harner announced that Tohickon Valley Elementary School was notified that they won a contest from Labels for Education for \$1,000. He noted that community members can donate their Giant Market points to a school of their choice which generates revenue.

Advertising (Alumni Field)

Mr. Riegel reported that the administration is looking for ways to generate revenue. He researched other school districts that have a process in place for sponsorship/advertising on their football field and or stadium. Board discussion ensued. President Stepanoff polled the board whether to allow advertising. Board agreed and directed the Policy committee to work on it. Mrs. King read policy 915 Commercial Activities which does not prohibit advertising. Administration will work on a plan and report to the board in August.

B. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUCKS COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT

Mr. Ronald Jackson reported on last Tuesday's meeting, Dr. Mark Hoffman was approved as Executive Director to replace Dr. Galasso. The IU was awarded the contract for the Head Start program.

LEGISLATIVE/LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Stepanoff reported that PSBA is officially supporting SB1 and he believes QCSD forced that issue and referenced the PSBA video regarding PSERS that was publicized recently.

QUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY EDUCATION FOUNDATION REPORT

Mr. Jackson reported on the June meeting. The QCEF is looking for help to raise funds and Dr. Laverick-Stone reported that mini-grants will be available to teachers in the fall. He mentioned the Foundation has \$10,000 ear-marked for technology.

UPPER BUCKS TECHNICAL SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Dwight Anderson reported that Thursday's meeting issues were on construction and power outages. Their construction project is on schedule and they hope to be done by December.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Ripper reported that the contractor for the high school project resolved the acoustical panel issue to the facilities committee's satisfaction. Requests For Proposal (RFP) were sent out for a facilities study and four companies submitted proposals. The committee chose two companies as finalists: Breslin and SchraderGroup. He asked the board to decide between the two firms as the board will be awarding the facilities study later in tonight's agenda. Mr. Riegel got references on both firms and they are both competent. Ms. Edwards said the administration recommendation is for SchraderGroup. Board Discussion ensued.

Ms. Edwards explained that funds saved by going with SchraderGroup may be spent for a demographics study. She was projecting that the study will be done before winter break. The firm will look at all facilities, enrollment, master plan, and capital plan for the future. Mr. Stepanoff recommended a Facilities Committee be formed, similar to the Redistricting Committee, with a representative from each school building. The committee would provide a perspective of the building conditions and the hired firm would be looking at the end-user and their needs. Board agreed to recommend the SchraderGroup.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Mrs. King explained the revisions to the following policies and tonight will serve as a 1st review of the following policies:

- a) 004 MEMBERSHIP
- b) 121.1 STUDENT GROUP TRAVEL ABROAD – new policy
- c) 303 SELECTION
- d) 707 USE OF FACILITIES
- e) 829 ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE – new policy

The Board asked the board secretary to send 121.1 *Student Group Travel Abroad* to Spanish teacher, Mrs. Wert for her review and suggestions. Mr. Garton cautioned the board on whether the trips are district sponsored. If policy says students must adhere to a code of conduct that indicates the trip is a district function. The Policy committee will look at the field trip policy to see if the Florida trip would be covered. Mr. Garton noted that the district can have a policy that covers trips sanctioned by the board.

C. PRESIDENT REPORT

Legislative Discussion

The board received a note from Mr. Mark Miller regarding PSBA's support of the charter school platform.

VII. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

PSBA Legislative Platform Submission

No suggestions were made by the board. President Stepanoff asked the board to send any suggestions to the Board secretary by Tuesday, June 30.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LAND PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

Dr. Harner explained the background of the land purchase and the long term view of the district, including the facilities study in regards to demographics and the condition of the facilities. He researched the land that was available on West Pumping Station Road and Portzer Road and scheduled for sheriff sale in June. The district had an appraisal at approximately \$2.9M and a figure was negotiated and offered to the seller. Dr. Harner reported that the payment would be made out of fund balance. The property is comprised of 126.7 acres in three separate parcels and has public sewer and water.

No public comment.

A. LAND PURCHASE AGENDA

1. CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS OF THE QUAKERTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCELS 23-15-36, 23-15-37, AND 23-15-39 FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL PURPOSES, WHICH SAID PARCELS ARE OWNED BY CLYMER RUSH LANDIS, LLC, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 126.7 ACRES, AND LOCATED IN MILFORD TOWNSHIP, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA; AND THIS SAID RESOLUTION SHALL FURTHER AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF A DECLARATION OF TAKING AND ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE AFOREMENTIONED TAX PARCEL AS A FEE SIMPLE INTEREST

WHEREAS, the Quakertown Community School District is a public school district organized and existing in the County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the Quakertown Community School District desires to acquire the parcels of real property for public school purposes under and pursuant to the provisions of the Public School Code, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of School Directors of the Quakertown Community School District deems it to be desirable and in the best interest of the School District to authorize the required procedure to acquire Tax Parcels 23-15-36, 23-15-37, and 23-15-39, currently owned by Clymer Rush Landis, LLC, which said parcels consist of approximately 126.7 acres, and are described in Exhibit "A" wherein the property is depicted on the attached tax map, and said authorization shall include, without limitation, the authorization to exercise the power of eminent domain.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officers of the Quakertown Community School District, acting for and on behalf of the School District, be, and are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver all such further instruments

and documents and to take such further actions as they, in their sole discretion, upon the advice of legal counsel, deem necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of the foregoing Resolution, including, without limitation, the hiring of such professionals as may be required.

Mr. Garton noted that this resolution enables the avoidance of transfer taxes.

May I have a motion to approve the above resolution.

Motion: Mr. Smith
Second: Mr. Shermer
Discussion: Mr. Jackson asked about the condemnation of the land. Mr. Garton explained the process of condemnation.
Result: Motion passed unanimously

2. APPROVE AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT OF SALE

Approve and authorize the execution of the Agreement of Sale for the purchase of Tax Parcels 23-15-36, 23-15-37 and 23-15-39 containing approximately 126.7 acres of real property located in Milford Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania at a cost of \$1,750,000.

May I have a motion to approve the above resolution.

Motion: Mrs. King
Second: Mr. Jackson
Result: Motion passed unanimously

3. AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS FOR REAL ESTATE

The Board authorizes the Superintendent and/or the Board President and/or the Board Vice President to execute any and all documents required for settlement on the acquisition of Tax Parcels 23-15-36, 23-15-37 and 23-15-39.

May I have a motion to approve the above resolution.

Motion: Mr. Ripper
Second: Mr. Anderson
Result: Motion passed unanimously

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON FISCAL ITEMS PRESENTED FOR A VOTE

C. FISCAL CONSENT AGENDA

1. BILLS LIST

The Business Services Department is requesting approval of the Bills List for month ending May 31, 2015 in the amount of \$5,420,526.05.

May I have a motion to approve the Bills List as presented.

Motion: Mrs. King
Second: Mr. Shermer
Result With a vote of Five (5) Ayes, Two (2) absent, and Two abstentions by Mr. Jackson and Mr. Stepanoff the motion passed.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Business Services Department is requesting approval of the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2015.

3. AUTHORIZATION FOR BUDGET TRANSFERS BEYOND THE SCHOOL YEAR

As recommended by the state auditors, we are asking the Board to adopt the following resolution which permits us to transfer funds for 2014-2015 budget purposes after the close of this school year.

RESOLUTION

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of School Directors of the Quakertown Community School District, pursuant to the recommendations of the Pennsylvania State School Auditors.

SECTION 1. That the Business Administrator is hereby authorized to transfer school funds for 2014-2015 budget purposes beyond the end of the school year.

SECTION 2. The authorization under this resolution shall become effective July 1, 2015.

ENACTED AND RESOLVED this twenty fifth day of June, A.D., 2015, by the corporate authorities of the Quakertown Community School District.

4. APPROVE CONTRACT FOR 2016 HIGH SCHOOL PROM

The Business Services Department is requesting the board approve a catering contract with Sunnybrook for the June 4, 2016 high school prom.

5. 2015-2016 INSURANCE RENEWAL

The Business Services Department is requesting approval of the insurance proposal with Willis of Pennsylvania, Inc. with a premium total of \$282,684 for the Package Policy, Automobile Policy, Boiler & Machinery Policy, Umbrella Policy, School Leaders Errors & Omissions, and Data Compromise Coverage as follows-

Package & Automobile	\$ 170,082
Boiler & Machinery	\$ 7,726
Umbrella	\$ 29,305
Errors & Omissions	\$ 75,571
TOTAL	\$ 282,684

May I have a motion to approve the above fiscal items.

Motion: Mr. Shermer
 Second: Mr. Anderson
 Discussion: Mr. Jackson asked about the comparison from prior years on the fiscal items. Mr. Riegel noted that the costs are comparable.
 Result: Motion passed unanimously

D. PUBLIC COMMENT ON FACILITIES ITEMS PRESENTED FOR A VOTE

E. FACILITIES CONSENT AGENDA

1. FACILITIES CONTRACTS FOR 2015-16

The Facilities Department is requesting authorization to approve the following facilities agreements for the 2015-2016 fiscal year:

2015-2016 FACILITIES AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS	AMOUNT
Boiler Service-H S A Mechanical	8,400.00
Burglar Alarm Monitoring - Security Service Company	8,456.15
Bleacher/partition maintenance - D. Armstrong Installations	5,300.00
Domestic Hot Water Service (SMS)-Diversified Refrigeration	1,600.00
Automatic Door Service-Advanced Door Service	2,540.00
DSC Server Room, HVAC Service Contract-Strategic Acct. Svc	3,985.00
SHS Server Room, HVAC Service Contract-Strategic Acct. Svc	6,690.00
Emergency Generator Service-Emergency Systems	3,150.00
Fire Alarm Monitoring-Siemens	900.00
Grease Trap Service-Franc Environmental	2,535.00
HVAC Service Contract(FC) - Trane	2,773.23
HVAC Water Treatment - Klenzoid	6,896.00
IPM - Pest & Mosquito Control- Western Pest Control	4,392.00
Septic system service(HES)-Franc Environmental	1,620.00
Suppression System Service (SMS) - SSI	2,430.00

2. AWARD FACILITIES STUDY RFP

The Facilities Committee interviewed the firms that submitted RFP's for the Facilities Study. They are recommending SCHRADERGROUP for the Facilities Study at a cost of \$31,532.

May I have a motion to approve the above facilities items.

Motion: Mrs. King
 Second: Mr. Jackson
 Result: Motion passed unanimously

3. APPROVE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR TOHICKON VALLEY PARKING LOT PROJECT

The Facilities Committee is recommending the Board approve the attached Construction Management Services work authorization to Boucher and James for

the Tohickon Valley Elementary School Parking Lot Improvements project to include Construction Management, Construction Stake-Out Services and Basic Services at an applied rate basis in accordance with Boucher and James Rate Schedule.

Motion: Mr. Anderson
Second: Mr. Ripper
Discussion: Mr. Ripper noted that the facilities committee recommended this company and explained the process of the project. Mrs. King recognizes that if the board does not approve this agreement the project would be delayed. She noted that a few months ago, the board agreed that Boucher & James (B&J) would not be hired due to Mr. Stepanoff's employment by B&J. Since then the board approved B&J for three jobs. She wants minutes to reflect that she is opposed to giving B&J any additional jobs without a Request For Proposal. Mr. Smith added that two board members must abstain from this vote and wants the board to look at other alternatives moving forward. Mr. Shermer noted that the board wants the best company for the job.
Result: With a vote of Five (5) Ayes, Two (2) absent and Two (2) abstentions by President Stepanoff and Mr. Jackson, the motion passed.

4. AUTHORIZATION TO DONATE MURALS TO RICHLAND LIBRARY COMPANY

After receiving an appraisal of the five murals at Quakertown Elementary School, Administration recommends the board authorize the donation of the murals to the Richland Library Company.

Motion: Mrs. King
Second: Mr. Smith
Discussion: Mr. Ripper explained the process of identifying the proper value of the murals and wants the board to research further to identify the proper value. Mr. Jackson noted that there was only one appraiser who was referred to us by Mr. Licopoli and Mr. Meyers appraised the murals at no cost to the district.
Result: Motion passed unanimously

5. AUTHORIZE THE SALE/DISPOSTION OF THE MORAVIAN TILE FIREPLACE

After receiving an appraisal of the Moravian Tile Fireplace Surround currently housed at Quakertown Elementary, Administration recommends the board authorize the sale/disposition of the fireplace. This action is consistent with Board Policy 711, *Disposal of Obsolete/Outdated District Property*.

May I have a motion to approve the above facilities items.

Motion: Mrs. King

Second: Mr. Shermer
Discussion: Ms. Edwards will contact the two auction companies regarding the value of the Moravian Tile Fireplace.
Result: Motion passed unanimously

F. PUBLIC COMMENT ON HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS PRESENTED FOR A VOTE

G. HUMAN RESOURCES CONSENT AGENDA

ADMINISTRATIVE

Employment

Appointment of Math Supervisor

Gregory Leshner – Math Supervisor – Effective: July 20, 2015*– Salary: \$114,000 pro-rated

*pending required paperwork

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

1. Leaves

- a. Stacy DiCicco – Teacher – Intermittent paid leave – Effective: May 1, 5, 7, 18, 20, 2015 (half days) and May 14, 19, 2015 (full days)
- b. Amanda Kane – Teacher – Unpaid leave – Effective: 2015-2016 school year
- c. Rebecca Menchaca – Teacher – Rescind unpaid leave for June 10, 11, 12, 2015
- d. Edward Migliore – Teacher – Paid leave – Effective: May 20, 2015 through June 12, 2015
- e. Brenna Wimmer – Teacher – Unpaid leave – Effective: 2015-2016 school year
- f. Amanda Salansky – Teacher – Paid leave – Effective: June 4, 2015 through June 12, 2015

2. Employment

- a. Christopher Deily – Temporary Professional Employee – Effective: August 25, 2015 – Salary: \$66,232 prorated
- b. Krista Yannarella – Temporary Professional Employee – Effective: August 25, 2015 – Salary: \$63,167 prorated
- c. Christina Donis – Temporary Professional Employee – Effective: August 25, 2015 – Salary: \$46,434 prorated

- d. Sarah Connellan – Long Term Substitute – Effective 2015-2016 school year only – Salary: \$42,719 prorated
- e. Erica Studer – Temporary Professional Employee – Effective: August 25, 2015 – Salary: \$63,167 prorated
- f. Jennifer Newman – Temporary Professional Employee – Effective: August 25, 2015 – Salary: \$63,167 prorated
- g. Laura Taylor – Long Term Substitute – Effective 2015-2016 school year only – Salary: \$42,719 prorated

3. 2015-2016 Teacher on Special Assignment

Kimberly Finnerty – Administrative Intern
Steven Kimball – Administrative Intern

4. 2015-2016 Content Specialists

Jaqueline Clymer – Science
Chad Evans – Social Studies
Jeffrey Palen – ESL
Lynn Morgan – RELA/Library

5. 2015-2016 Department Liaisons

Mellinda Joseph – Freshman Center
Allen Hunsicker – Math
Darlene Hardy – Science
Rachel Trosino – English/Library/ESL
Christopher Polk – Electives and Special Areas
Amy Eisenmann – Social Studies
Bethany Fuller – World Language
Amy Amato – Special Education

UNIT PAY

1. Employment

a. Athletics - 2015-2016 School Year

ACTIVITY	POSITION	SCHOOL	LNAME	FNAME	SALARY
Cheerleading	Head Coach	Senior High	Scholl*	Cassandra	\$2,505.42

*Pending paperwork

b. Clubs – 2014/2015 School Year

ACTIVITY	POSITION	SCHOOL	LNAME	FNAME	SALARY
HUB Bus Duty	Supervision	Tohickon Valley	Cifelli	Lara	\$265.42
HUB Bus Duty	Supervision	Tohickon Valley	Mason	Joshua	\$132.71
HUB Bus Duty	Supervision	Tohickon Valley	Greenday	Katie	\$132.71

SUPPORT STAFF

1. Resignations

- a. Patti Bower – Aide/B – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015
- b. Kathleen Mandic – Aide/B – Retirement – Effective: June 12, 2015
- c. Kayan Alrabadi – Aide/B – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015
- d. Darci Wolf – Aide/A – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015
- e. Karen Lobascio – Aide/B – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015
- f. William Handel – Maintenance – Resignation – Effective: June 2, 2015
- g. Thomas Sullivan – Maintenance – Resignation – Effective: July 3, 2015
- h. Dale Weaver – Custodian – Retirement – Effective: August 28, 2015
- i. Jean Ferrara – Café/B Cook – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015
- j. Lori Schoch – Café/B Cook – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015
- k. Kelly Hall – Café/B Helper – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015
- l. Dina Hurst – Café/B Cook – Resignation – Effective: June 12, 2015

2. Transfers

- a. Beverly Claus – Transfer from Café/B Helper to Aide/B – : August 31, 2015
– Salary: \$13.10 per hour
- b. Tammy Stachel – Transfer from part time Secretary/A to part time
Secretary/B – Effective: August 31, 2015 – Salary - \$21.85 per hour
- c. Aimee Aiello – Transfer from part time Secretary/A to full time Secretary –
Effective: June 15, 2015 – Salary: \$15.57 per hour

RESOLVED THAT, subject to the terms and conditions of any applicable agreements which are ratified or affirmed herewith, the Quakertown Community School district approves the personnel items as presented.

Dr. Harner introduced Greg Leshner, the new Math Supervisor.

May I have a motion to approve the personnel items as presented.

Motion: Mr. Shermer

Second: Mr. Jackson

Discussion: Mrs. King asked about the hub bus duty. Ms. Edwards explained the position of the hub duty. Mr. Anderson asked about the responsibilities of the administrative interns. Dr. Harner provided the background of the positions and their assignments and responsibilities.

Result: Motion passed unanimously

H. PUBLIC COMMENT ON POLICY AND PROGRAM ITEMS PRESENTED FOR A VOTE

I. POLICY AND PROGRAMS CONSENT AGENDA

1. ACKNOWLEDGE COMPLETION OF 2014-15 GOALS

The Board acknowledges the successful completion of 94.35% of the Superintendent's goals for 2014-2015 according to the Superintendent's contract.

2. DISTRICT GOALS 2015-2016

The Board prepared and set the Superintendent's goals for the 2015-2016 school year according to the Superintendent's contract.

3. COURSE APPROVALS FOR 2015-2016

The following courses are presented to the Board for consideration for approval for the 2015-2016 school year:

RELA Plus 4

RELA Plus 5

Reading 6

Reading 7

Reading 8

College & Career Readiness 6

College & Career Readiness 7

College & Career Readiness 8

Social Studies 6

Social Studies 7

SHS Jazz Ensemble

Digital Literacy Grade 1

Digital Literacy Grade 2

Digital Literacy Grade 3

Digital Literacy Grade 4

Digital Literacy Grade 5

4. TEXTBOOK APPROVAL FOR 2015-2016

The following curricular materials are being recommended by administration for the 2015-2016 school year:

COURSE	TEXTBOOK TITLE	PUBLISHER	COPYRIGHT
AP World History	<i>Traditions & Encounter: A Global Perspective of the Past (Sixth Edition)</i>	McGraw Hill	2015
AP Probability and Statistics	<i>The Practice of Statistics: For the AP Exam (Fifth Edition)</i>	Bfw Freeman	2015
AP Probability and Statistics	<i>Workshop Statistics: Discovery with Data (Fourth Edition)</i>	Wiley	2012
Social Studies 6 & 7	<i>Discovering Our Past: A History of the World, Early Ages</i>	McGraw Hill	2014

May I have a motion to approve the policy and programs items as presented.

Motion: Mr. Ripper
Second: Mr. Anderson
Discussion: President Stepanoff noted the goals include Career & College Ready. Dr. Harner explained the 'balance score card' to include three main tests and will be ready for board review in August.
Result: Motion passed unanimously

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. SUSPENSION REPORT JUNE 2015

B. COMMUNICATION

Letter from PDE - Single Audit Report YE 6-30-13

C. BOARD COMMENT (New Business)

Cursive Curriculum

Mr. Jackson made a request to the curriculum committee to develop a policy to make sure the students pass their grade, to continue using their cursive writing past third grade. Board recommended that once a quarter the class should write a single sheet of paper in cursive. Mr. Anderson and Mr. Shermer support the idea. Dr. Laverick-Stone noted that handwriting is included in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade curriculum. The board asked the curriculum committee to look at including handwriting beyond elementary grades.

Absentee Rates

Board wants a report on high school absentee rates. Dr. Harner will provide a report on excused/unexcused for the entire high school.

ROTC Program

Mr. Anderson asked about bringing an ROTC program to the district. Mr. Jackson asked if there is interest in a ROTC program.

Dr. Harner reported that the purpose of an ROTC program is to become a great citizen, not necessarily getting in to the military. Board asked for information on what it would take to get a ROTC program in QCSD.

Recruitment

Mrs. King informed Dr. Harner that Policy 249 *Student Recruitment* does not specify a limited number of visits, but the Administrative Regulation (AR) specifies two times a year for recruitment for colleges and military. Administration will need to change the AR.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

E. DATES FOR BOARD MEMBERS CALENDARS

Tuesday, August 4, 2015	6:00 pm	Education/Curriculum Committee Mtg Community Room A, DSC
Thursday, August 6, 2015	6:00 pm	Facilities Committee Meeting Community Room A, DSC
Thursday, August 13, 2015	7:00 pm	Work Session Community Room, DSC
Thursday, August 20, 2015	6:00 pm	Policy Committee Meeting Board Caucus Conf Room #3
Thursday, August 27, 2015	7:00 pm	Regular Voting Meeting Community Room, DSC

IX. ADJOURNMENT

May I have a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mr. Ripper
Second: Mr. Smith
Result: Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM

Paul Stepanoff, President

Alice K. Bishop, Board Secretary