

# NORTH PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

### NOTES FROM THE LAST BOARD MEETING #1043

An Action meeting of the Board of School Directors of the North Penn School District was held at the Educational Service Center on Thursday, November 19, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by Vincent Sherpinsky, Board President, at 7:30 p.m. Vincent Sherpinsky reminded those in attendance that the meeting was being videotaped by the school district for the community cable channel. Vincent Sherpinsky requested that members of the audience wishing to address the board should come to the microphone, state their name and address, sign the audience of citizens' logbook, and limit their questions and comments to permit time for all those who wished to speak to the board.

During the Audience of Citizens William Patchell of Lansdale, PA., spoke to the Board on various topics; Michelle Rupp of Lansdale spoke to the Board regarding Inclusion.

Proclamations were awarded to the 2015-2016 National Merit Scholarship Competition Semi-finalists as well as those receiving commended honors.

Curt Reichwein, a Technology Education Teacher at NPHS was presented the Teacher Excellence Award at a recent conference.

John Schilling was recognized by the PA School Boards Association for his tenure of service to the NPSD. John has been a member of the Board for 20 years.

Joseph Sullivan and Walter W. Brown, III were presented with plaques for their service, dedication and support to the NPSD – this was their last meeting as a member of the School Board.

The board approved the following:

- Minutes from the October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015, Action meeting, as well as the minutes from the Work Session held on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015;
- New Board Policy # 1251: Community Relations – Non-discrimination on the Basis of Disability, Board Policy #5153 – Students – Non-discrimination on the Basis of Disability, and Board Policy #5131.9 – Students – Suicide Awareness and Prevention,;
- Amended Board Policy #4160: Personnel – Professional and Support – Employment Complaints – Discrimination and Board Policy #6162 – Instruction – Elementary and Secondary – School Volunteers;
- 2016-17 School Calendar;
- Changes to the program of studies for grades 7 and 8 for the 2016-17 academic year;
- Change Order GC-1 to Lobar Inc., Inc. for the Courtyard Fencing and Masonry at North Penn High School, at a change of contract amount of \$7,299.25 for various changes during the course of construction;
  - Change Order EC-2 to Electri-Tech, Inc., for the Hatfield Elementary School Additions and Renovations project, at a change of contract amount of \$0.00 for various changes during construction offset by unused allowances;
  - Change Order GC-9 to Lobar, Inc. for the Hatfield Elementary School Renovations and Additions project, at a change of contract amount of \$0.00 for various changes during the course of construction offset by unused allowances;
  - Change Order GC-2 to Center Pointe Construction, Inc., Inc. for the renovations to the Main Entrances at various schools (Secured Entrance) project, at a change of contract amount of \$11,035.00 for various changes during the course of construction\;
  - A professional contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers to provide civil engineering services on the Montgomery Elementary Renovations and Additions project;

- Ratification of the natural gas transaction with Direct Energy Business for the natural gas supply for all North Penn School District accounts;
- Ratification of the electricity transaction with Direct Energy Business for the electricity supply for all North Penn School District accounts;
- A professional contract with Architerra PC to provide artificial turf design services for the replacement of the artificial turf at the North Penn High School
- Environmental Control Systems, Inc., to act as North Penn’s AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act) designated person and manage all environmental compliance for the period of November 2015 through June 30, 2018;
- The Montgomery Township, Department of Planning and Zoning, Consultant Escrow Fee Agreement to cover expenses for the review and inspections of the Montgomery Elementary Renovations and Additions Project;
- Changes to the Program of Studies for Grades 9-12 for the 2016-17 academic year;
- Acceptance of the following gifts to the district:

SCHOOL/BUILDING	DONOR	GIFT	AMOUNT
Knapp Elementary	NP Parents Special Education Council PO Box 492 Montgomeryville, PA 18936	Somatron Cloud Chair	\$1595.00
General Nash Elementary	J.J. Raymond 1960 Bishopwood Blvd. Harleysville, PA 19438	Multiple K-Nex Building Sets for Science and Gifted Classes	\$400.00

- Bids;
- Personnel;
- Additions to the NPSD Substitute Lists 2015-16;
- Degree Improvement Report – November 2015;
- Extra Duty Assignments;
- Student Travel;
- Contracts;
- Alternative Placements;
- Treasurer’s Report for the month of October 2015;
- Ratification of disbursements for the month of October 2015;