

ROSE TREE MEDIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Informational Session

April 26, 2007

7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Committee Highlights & Liason Reports
 - A. Student Liaison Reports
 - B. Teaching & Learning
 - C. Finance
 - D. Operations
 - E. Personnel
 - F. Pupil Services
 - G. Technology
 - H. Liaison Reports

- II. Building Update - Principals

- III. Adjournment

VII. Unscheduled Presentations (Limited to Three Minutes Each)

- A. Rose Tree Media Residents

VIII. Old Business

- A. Policies
 - 1. Policy #202 Non Resident Students – Second Reading and Approval - Attachment A
 - 2. Policy #209 Health Examinations – Second Reading and Approval Attachment B

IX. New Business

- A. Personnel
 - 1. Terminations
 - a. Professional
 - b. Non-Instructional
 - 2. Nominations
 - a. Professional - None
 - b. Non-Instructional
 - 3. General
 - a. Classification Change
 - b. Sabbatical Leave
 - c. Leave of Absence
 - d. Supplemental Contracts
 - e. Salary Change
- B. Overnight Trips
 - 1. Pennsylvania Music Education All State Choral Festival – Hershey, PA
 - 2. Penncrest Boys PIAA State Track Championship - Shippensburg University.
 - 3. Penncrest Girls PIAA State Track Championship – Shippensburg University
 - 4. Penncrest Science Olympiad State Championship – Juniata College
- C. 2006-2007 Change Date of Last Day of School

X. Finance

- A. Purchasing
 - 1. Bid Awards
- B. General
 - 1. Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006, Pam Baker, CPA
 - 2. Change Orders
 - 3. Berkheimer Client Outsourcing Contract

- C. Financials for March 2007
- D. Bill lists for March 2007

XI. Adjournment

ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be an executive session of the School Board for matters of personnel at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Informational Session of May 24, 2007, at Springton Lake Middle School. The Legislative meetings are recorded on tape.



**EXCELLENCE
TODAY
FOR TOMORROW**

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Denise C. Kerr, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Sharon A. Learn
Board Secretary

To: Members of the Board of School Directors
Denise C. Kerr, Ed.D., Superintendent
From: Sharon A. Learn, Board Secretary
Date: March 23, 2007
Subject: Minutes of the March 22, 2007 Legislative Meeting

I. Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members in Attendance:

Nancy Mackrides, Board President
Veronica Barbato
Linda Fox, Vice President
William O'Donnell
Nancy Fronduti
Stacey Benson
Jeffrey Pettit
William Campbell
William Montgomery

Student Board Members:

Mike Peche
Sara Sunshine
Lepsi Jha

Also in attendance:

Denise Kerr, Super. of Schools
Meg Barney, R&D Specialist
Ken Batchelor, Principal, Penncrest
Pete Barry, Ass't. Principal, SLMS
Bill Bennett, Principal, ILE
Anne Callahan, Dir. of Human Resources
Ken Curran, Psychologist
Bernadette Dacanay, Home & School Vis.
William Dougherty, Principal, GWE
Susan Evans, Ass't Principal, PCHS
Angela Gilbert, Teaching & Learning Elem.
Ron Harris, Network Specialist
Ralph Harrison, Asst. Principal PHS
Joanne Horan, Asst. Principal SLMS
MaryBeth Hoffman, Occup. Therapist

Joyce Jeuell, Principal, SLMS
Bonnie Kinsler, Acting Transp. Dir.
Marie Kotch, Principal Media Elem.
Patti Linden, Dir. of Tech. & Infor.
Anthony Lombardo, Assess. Info. Sci.
Sharon Learn, Board Secretary
Kim McCann, Info. Tech. Specialist
Danielle Penza, Accountant
Harry Protzmann, District Engineer
Roxanne Schupp, Supv. Business Oper.
Sandra Shacklady White, Sup. Spec. Ed
Pupil Services
Ellen Sosangelis, Principal, RTE
Thomas Kelly, Solicitor

The Legislative Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Rose Tree Media School District was held on Thursday, March 22, 2007, at Springton Lake Middle School. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by President Mackrides.

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. Special Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2007
- B. Legislative Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2007
- C. Bid Opening Minutes of February 26, 2007

Mrs. Fronduti moved and Mr. O'Donnell seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 90

Resolve, that the Board approve the Special Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2007, the Legislative Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2007, and the Bid Opening Minutes of February 26, 2007

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery
NAYS: None

II. Presentations and Awards

- A. Becky Ferguson – Spelling Bee Winner

Mrs. Fronduti moved and Mr. Campbell seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 91

Resolve that the Board recognize Rebecca Ferguson for winning the Delaware County Spelling Bee Competition.

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery
NAYS: None

IV. Educational Presentation

- A. Report from the Student Leadership Forum of the Delaware Valley Minority Student Achievement Consortium
Dr. Angela Gilbert, Kathy White, Peggy Levesque, Lori Rice-Spring, with student leaders Marquise Edmonds, Muwana McCrae, Jerry Thompson, Gabe Elcock, Michael Tres Moore, Ambera Carroll, Rigel Johnson, Khalice Payne, Erin Doby, Cesilie Jones, Christina Price, and Krystal Mason.

V. Reports

- A. School Reports – In Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007
- B. Superintendent’s Report - In Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007
- C. Solicitor’s Report - In Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007
- D. President’s Report - In Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007

VI. Scheduled Presentations (Limited to Five Minutes Each)

- A. RTMEA – Ben Danson
- B. RTM Education Foundation – Dr. Meg Barney, Exec. Director
- C. Healthy Communities Initiative - Dana Ryker
- D. Bill Roller, Media Area Girls Softball League – Steve Byrne

VII. Unscheduled Presentations (Limited to three minutes each)

- A. Rose Tree Media Residents

VIII. Old Business

A. Policy #319.1 Conflict of Interest – Second Reading & Approval

Mrs. Fox moved and Mr. O'Donnell seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 92

Resolve, that the Board approve Policy #319.1 Conflict of Interest. See Attachment A in Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007.

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery
NAYS: None

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

1. Terminations
 - a. Professional
 - b. Non-Instructional
2. Nominations
 - a. Professional
 - b. Non-Instructional
3. General
 - a. Classification Change
 - b. Unpaid Leave of Absence
 - c. Rescind Supplemental Contracts
 - d. Supplemental Contracts
 - e. Salary Change
 - f. Create New Position
 - g. Other – 3. ERIP

A. Personnel

Mr. O'Donnell moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 – 93

Resolve, that the Board approve the following Personnel Section:

1. Terminations

a. Professional - None

b. Non-Instructional

1. Daron Jones, Maintenance Supervisor, resignation, effective March 2, 2007.

2. Nominations

a. Professional - None

b. Non-Instructional

1. Elisa Ettien, Food Service Worker, will serve as a Custodial Substitute, effective February 20, 2007, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour.
2. Scott Johnson, Groundskeeper/Maintenance Worker, effective March 19, 2007, at the rate of \$14.58 per hour. Mr. Johnson is assigned to Maintenance and Operations replacing Chris Bowker who was terminated. NOTE: Mr. Johnson is being hired pending completion of his pre-employment paperwork.

3. General

a. Classification Change

1. William Miller from Substitute Bus Driver to New Bus Driver, effective February 28, 2007.
2. Lisa Casey from Substitute Food Service Worker to Regular Part-Time Food Service Worker, effective February 20, 2007.

b. Unpaid Leave of Absence

1. Carin Newsome, Unpaid Leave of Absence commencing March 1, 2007 and terminating June 30, 2007.

c. Rescind Supplemental Contracts

1. Kristyn Baker, Assistant Varsity Softball Coach, will not be taking the position.

d. Supplemental Contracts

1. Elaine Jay, Junior and Senior Prom Chaperone for the 2006-2007 school year at the rate of \$125 per event.
2. Linda Kilpatrick, Junior and Senior Prom Chaperone for the 2006-2007 school year at the rate of \$125 per event.
3. Kristen Barr, 7th Grade Girls Lacrosse Coach for the 2006-2007 school year, at the annual salary of \$2,709.
4. Ashley Barr, 8th Grade Girls Lacrosse Coach for the 2006-2007 school year, at the annual salary of \$2,709.
5. Carin Heller, Assistant Freshman Girls Lacrosse Coach for the 2006-2007 school year, at the annual salary of \$2,193. NOTE: Ms. Heller is being hired pending completion of her pre-employment paperwork.
6. Brenda Smerigan, Assistant Varsity Softball Coach for the 2006-2007 school year, at the annual salary of \$3,225. NOTE: Ms. Smerigan is being hired pending completion of her pre-employment paperwork.

e. Salary Change

1. Catherine Lacock, salary correction to \$12.98 per hour effective August 29, 2006. Ms. Lacock's pay rate was incorrect on the June Board.
2. Elise Simonian, salary correction to \$12.98 per hour effective August 29, 2006. Ms. Simonian's pay rate was incorrect on the June Board.
3. Denise Kerr, Superintendent, salary adjustment to \$159,955, effective November 1, 2006. Adjustment includes salary and bonus for the 2006-2007 school year.

f. Create New Position

1. Recommend Board approve the new position of TV Production Club Sponsor at Penncrest High School with a supplemental pay of \$2,600 per year.

g. Other

1. Rescind appointment of James Penney, Substitute Custodian. Mr. Penney will not be joining Rose Tree Media School District.
2. Rescind appointment of Carolyn Rawls, Full-Time Food Service Worker. Ms. Rawls will not be joining Rose Tree Media School District.
3. Recommend the Board approve the Rose Tree Media Education Association Early Retirement Plan for the 2006-2007 school year. Attachment D in Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007.

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery

NAYS: None

B. Overnight Trips

1. Penncrest Boys PIAA Wrestling Trip to Hershey, PA
2. Penncrest Girls PIAA Swimming Championship to Bucknell University
3. Penncrest Boys PIAA Swimming Championship at Bucknell University

Mrs. Mackrides moved and Mrs. Fox seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 – 94

Resolve, that the Board approve the overnight trip to the Girls PIAA Swimming Championship at Bucknell University.

Further resolve, that the Board approve the overnight trip to the Boys PIAA Swimming Championship at Bucknell University.

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery

NAYS: None

C. Policies

1. Policy #202 - Eligibility of Nonresident Students - First Reading

The proposed revised policy was discussed at the March 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting:

A revision to Policy #202 was presented at the March 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting that clarifies the District's ability to collect specific documentation to verify the residency of any student enrolling in the District who resides with anyone other than a natural parent. The policy revision has been provided to Tom Kelly for review.

See Attachment B in Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007.

2. School Board Policy #209 – Health Examinations - First Reading

The proposed policy was discussed at the March 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting:

Policy #209 Health Examinations was presented following communication from the Pennsylvania Division of School Health requesting all districts provide policy that addresses the mandated physical and dental examinations. The policy must include a statement that indicates the district will accept private physical and dental examination if completed within the year prior to the mandated grade. See Attachment C in Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007.

D. Additional Agenda Items

1. Architect Services – Springton Lake Middle School Project

Mr. O'Donnell moved and Mrs. Fox seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 95

Resolve, that the Board authorize the administration to enter into contract negotiations with Bonnett Associates for a renovation and additions building project at Springton Lake Middle School

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Linda Fox, William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson, Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Veronica Barbato

2. 2007-2008 School Year Calendar

Mr. O'Donnell moved and Mrs. Frondutti seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 96

Resolve, that the Board revise the 2007-2008 school calendar. The 2007 -2008 school year calendar was previously approved at the February 22, 2007, Legislative Meeting. The changes to the calendar include adding September 13 as a day off for all students and staff. The half day in-service day will be changed from May 22 to May 23 and the teacher Flex Day will be on June 23, 2008.

Mr. Pettit moved and Mrs. Fox seconded a motion to table the above resolution. RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 96

The motion to table failed, the vote being:

AYES: Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox, Jeffrey Pettit,

NAYS: William O'Donnell, Nancy Mackrides, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson, William Campbell, William Montgomery

ABSTAIN: None

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 – 96 was declared adopted by the Chair,
the vote being:

AYES: Linda Fox, William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey
Benson, William Campbell, William Montgomery
NAYS: Veronica Barbato, Nancy Mackrides, Jeffrey Pettit,
ABSTAIN: None

X. Finance

A. Purchasing

1. Bid Award

Mrs. Fronduti moved and Mr. O'Donnell seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 97

Resolve, that the following bid be awarded to Five Star, Inc., for the Springton Lake Middle School HVAC Summer Project in an amount not to exceed \$489,500.00 . See Attachment E in Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007.

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery

NAYS: None

X Finance

B. General

1. Aston Middletown Little League
2. Media Borough
3. Budgetary Transfer Requests
4. Grafton Piano & Organ Co. Contract for 2007 Graduation
5. Villanova University - 2007 Graduation
6. Select Event Rentals Contract – Chairs for 2007 Graduation
7. Level 3 Communications Master Services Agreement

Mr. O'Donnell moved and Mrs. Fox seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 98

Aston Middletown Little League

Resolve, that the Board approve Aston Middletown Little League's request to make changes and improvements to the baseball field located at Indian Lane Elementary School. Meeting. See Attachment F in Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007.

Media Borough –Barrall Field

Further resolve, that the Board approve Media Borough's request to modify and renovate the restrooms at Barrall Field. The cost to the district will be \$11,400. See Attachment G in Official Legislative Minutes of March 22, 2007.

B. General

Budgetary Transfer Requests

Further resolve, that the Board approve the following budgetary transfer requests:

FY 07 – 25 Fund 10 General Fund

FROM: School Sponsored Athletics – Dues and Fees
AMOUNT: \$2,500

TO: School Sponsored Athletics – Supplies
School Sponsored Athletics – Equipment
AMOUNT: \$2,500

RATIONALE: Transfer needed to purchase supplies and equipment for spring sports teams.

FY 07 – 26 Fund 10 General Fund

FROM: Speech and Language – Supplies
Speech and Language – Travel
Gifted Support – Dues and Fees
Nursing Service – Books and Subscriptions
Nursing Service – Equipment Replacement
AMOUNT: \$8,850

TO: Nursing Service – Software
AMOUNT: \$8,850

RATIONALE: Transfer needed to cover the expense of the software and training from Professional Software for Nurses, Inc. The RTM Technology Department has reviewed the system and export requirements. The Software product was reviewed at the October 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting.

B. General

3. Budgetary Transfer Requests (continued)

FY 07 – 27 Fund 10 General Fund
FROM: Regular Instruction – Supplies
AMOUNT: \$1,000

TO: Regular Instruction – Travel
AMOUNT: \$1,000

RATIONALE: Transfer needed to cover the expense of teacher training through workshops.

FY 07 – 28 Fund 10 General Fund
FROM: Instruction and Curriculum – Supplies
AMOUNT: \$3,918

TO: Regular Instruction – Supplies
AMOUNT: \$3,918

RATIONALE: Transfer needed to reallocate per pupil adjustment.

FY 07 – 30 Fund 29 McGaughey-Higgins Fund
FROM: Instructional Technology – Supplies
AMOUNT: \$9,940

TO: Instructional Technology – Equipment
AMOUNT: \$9,940

RATIONALE: Transfer needed to purchase 14 projectors.

FY 07 – 31 Fund 10 General Fund
FROM: Instructional Technology – Supplies
Instruction and Curriculum – Supplies
AMOUNT: \$3,071

TO: Instructional Technology – Equipment
AMOUNT: \$3,071

RATIONALE: Transfer needed to purchase equipment to support the student broadcasting activities.

B. General

3. Budgetary Transfer Requests (continued)

FY 07 – 32 Fund 10 General Fund

FROM: Instructional Technology – Equipment Replacement
AMOUNT: \$5,650

TO: Instructional Technology – Software
AMOUNT: \$5,650

RATIONALE: Transfer needed to purchase software that would allow the running of multiple virtual servers on one physical server. This would allow for the reduction of the overall hardware expense for replacing servers, but does require the licensing of the VM Ware server operating system.

Grafton Piano & Organ Co. Contract for 2007 Graduation

Further resolve, that the Board approve a contract with Grafton Piano & Organ Co., Inc. The cost is \$1,869.

Villanova University – 2007 Graduation

Further resolve, that the Board approve the contract with Villanova University for the rental of site for the 2007 graduation ceremonies. The cost for the event is \$6,935.

Select Event Rentals Contract - Chairs for 2007 Graduation

Further resolve, that the Board approve a contract with Select Event Rentals for the cost of chair rental for the 2007 graduation ceremonies. The cost is \$423. 00.

Level 3 Communications Master Services Agreement

Further resolve, that the Board ratify the Master Services Agreement for Level 3 Communications to provide a renewal of our telephone services accounts for a period of three years and a one year option to renew commencing July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2010.

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery
NAYS: None

- C. Financials for February 2007
- D. Bill Lists for February 2007

Mr. O'Donnell moved and Mr. Pettit seconded a motion to adopt the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 - 99

Resolve, that the Board approve the following Financial Lists and Bill Lists:

Financial Reports

February 2007	Treasurers Reports
February 2007	Investment Reports
February 2007	Summary Expenditure Status Report
February 2007	Revenue Status Report

Bill Lists

February 2007	General Fund Bill List	\$ 6,477,362.99
February 2007	Imprest Fund Bill List	\$ 2,717.00
February 2007	Capital Fund Bill List	\$ 30,204.36
February 2007	McGaughey Higgins Fund Bill List	\$ 2,288.94
February 2007	Bond Series 2003 Bill list	\$ 36,920.84
February 2007	Bond Series 2004 Bill List	\$ 18,120.92
February 2007	Activities/Special Revenue Fund	<u>\$ 24,506.55</u>
		\$ 6,592,121.60

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

- AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox, William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson, Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery
- NAYS: None

X. Adjournment

Mr. O'Donnell moved and Mrs. Fox seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 2006-2007 – 100

Resolved, there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

The foregoing resolution was declared adopted by the Chair, the vote being:

AYES: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Linda Fox,
William O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Stacey Benson,
Jeffrey Pettit, William Campbell, William Montgomery
NAYS: None

Sharon A. Learn
Board Secretary

ROSE TREE MEDIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
EDUCATION CENTER

A bid opening was held on April 10, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. in the Education Center, 308 North Olive Street, Media, PA 19063.

Present were: Harry Protzmann, District Engineer, Donna Rottenberk Business Office Witness, 4 bidders.

Bids in the following category were opened and read by Sharon Learn:

Bituminous Concrete Paving Repairs & Resurfacing
Springton Lake Middle School & Rose Tree Elementary School

G. Antonini Construction, Inc.
Newtown Square, PA

Gessler Construction Co., Inc
Media, PA

Inncon
Folcroft, PA

Joseph E. Sucher & Sons, Inc.
Eddystone, PA

Bids will be tabulated and presented to the Board of School Directors.

Sharon A. Learn
Board Secretary

ROSE TREE MEDIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
EDUCATION CENTER

A bid opening was held on April 16, at 2:00 p.m. in the Education Center, 308 North Olive Street, Media, PA 19063.

Present were: Sharon Learn, Board Secretary, Roxanne Schupp, Supervisor of Business Operations, Danielle Penza, Accountant, Bonnie Kinsler, Director of Transportation, Phil Quinzi, Supervisor of Transportation and two vendors.

Bids in the following category were opened and read by Sharon Learn:

Two(2) 48-Passenger Conventional School Buses
Four (4) 72-Passenger Conventional School Buses

Rohrer
P.O. Box 100
Duncannon, PA 17020

Wolfington Body Company, Inc.
30 Pottstown Pike,
Uwchland, PA 19480

Bids will be tabulated and presented to the Board of School Directors.

Sharon A. Learn
Board Secretary

III. Presentations and Awards

A. Patrick Murphy – National Honor Roll's Outstanding American Teacher

Resolve, that the Board recognize Patrick Murphy who was selected by former students for having the greatest influence on their lives.

Background

National Honor Roll students are asked to identify one teacher who has had the most influence on their lives. Those teachers are then contacted and invited to fill out a teacher profile form. NHR's Outstanding American Teachers is an organization that recognizes educators who have made a difference in their communities. Inductees in the NHR's Outstanding American Teachers have received an honor shared by a very small percentage of all U.S. Teachers. When you choose to participate, you can showcase your proudest accomplishments and interests, both personal and professional. NHR's Outstanding American Teachers also offers services that encourage the further success of its members. To be included, teachers must provide NHR's Outstanding American Teachers with detailed information about their accomplishments and background. They do this by filling out the NHR's Outstanding American Teachers Profile form which they have received in the mail.



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SCHOOL REPORT'S – April 2007

GLENWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The younger students at Glenwood (1st and 2nd grade) are beginning to select older student who will act as their buddies for our Field Day. Those who have older brothers or sisters will be paired automatically with a sibling and those who don't are scanning their buses and neighborhoods for candidates. They seem to really enjoy the prospect of being on a Field Day team with the "big kids." Meanwhile, the third grade students are adjusting to being the "big kids."

Green Foods Day in Second Grade.

Children brought in samples of green foods. They used health and science knowledge to sort and classify foods as well as math skills to graph foods they ate. They developed statements, opinions and questions about the graphs, using their Language Arts skills.

During Enrichment periods, the second grade students have been writing different forms of poetry. First grade students are either working with pattern blocks or animals and writing about those experiences in enrichment periods.

The fourth and fifth grade students are preparing for fitness testing. They are enthusiastic about improving and are trying for a "personal best" in every category. Some have even been known to use recess time to practice for the endurance run.

Fifth grade students will be preparing to take part in the Enviro-Challenge at Ridley Creek State Park. This environmental educational contest is run by Penncrest students who will have just participated in the state level high-school Envirothon. Envirochallenge is a program that integrates fifth and high school students in the realm of environmental science. It is an enrichment program in a competition format. The genesis of this endeavor spawns from the Envirothon program. The Envirothon program began as a high school competition in Pennsylvania over twenty years ago. It has now grown into the Canon Envirothon, the largest environmental high school competition in North America. The Envirochallenge is a similar endeavor in which fifth grade students from our district will compete in various areas of environmental science under the direction of the Penncrest High School Envirothon team. The goals of this program include environmental enrichment for fifth grade students, a cooperative learning experience, a

collaboration between high school and fifth grade students and teachers, and a fun exciting outdoor experience that will hopefully spark further interest in the field of environmental science.

As we move through the second part of the school year, some areas need to be highlighted for their positive changes. With the new schedule, better coordination is developing between the special area support classes and the regular classroom teachers. Linked to this coordination is the additional testing and response to student results. We have just completed the PSSA testing and will soon enter the end of the year testing for DIBELS. It is important that we consider all these scores in respect to intervention. Are we giving the right tests? Do they validate one another? Are there further areas that need to be addressed? Do some tests duplicate one another? We are thankful to the board for their financial support and support of in-service time. With the many new demands for teacher time, it is a positive factor that the board has supported the teachers through numerous in-service days and the opportunities for flex credit to enhance teacher skills.

Glenwood's fourth and fifth grade students will have the opportunity once again to participate in student-led conferences. Students will prepare a portfolio of their work, highlighting both their strengths and weaknesses. The students present their portfolios to their parents and classroom teachers. This type of conferencing promotes student ownership over their learning and allows student-directed learning goals for future instruction.

April is Mathematics Education Month. Each week the students will be given opportunities to use their estimation skills to win prizes.

INDIAN LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PSSA testing was the focus of our attention for the end of March. A Pep Rally was held to encourage the students to "do their best, on the test". Once the assessments were completed, the students were treated to water ice and pretzels.

Circle Days/Pi Days were celebrated by Mrs. Haskell's Accelerated math classes during mid March. Must do - Can do activities, such as Spin Art with an old phonograph, circle architecture with spools, creating a Pi chain of color coded digits of pi, circle art, sending pi greeting cards, making pi music, circle games, and calculating pi from various circle objects were just some of the fun learning centers that all students participated. It sure made for an exciting afternoon during PSSA days!

First graders are wondering, "where is spring? Is it here yet?" The groundhog tells us it is on its way, so we're getting ready for that first warm day! Spring will bring lots of new things. We will be learning about money and time and how to write a great rhyme. We will learn about animals too, and make a trip to the zoo. The 100 Book Challenge will continue with many more steps, so get out those great books and do more reps. What else will the spring bring? Well let's take a look. I know that we will read a ton of new books. A baby girl was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Pinto, one of our first grade teachers.

Gracie Mae Pinto arrived and the students threw Mr. Pinto a shower upon their return from Spring break.

In second grade, students are continuing our Native American Unit this week. During our Reading time, we will be reading different Native American stories from the 4 regions that we study - Eastern Woodlands, Southwest, Northwest, and Plains. During Social Studies, we will research tribes from those regions and do crafts that are representative of the tribes. At the end of the unit, we will celebrate with a Pow Wow! Also, we will be going to University of Penn for a Native American and to Tyler Arboretum for field trips in April.



Our third grade classes, with help from our teachers, staff members, and parent volunteers, put together care packages to our troops with various items donated by some of our Indian Lane families. These items included toiletry needs, snacks magazines, eye drops and canned goods. It takes about 1-2 weeks for a care package to arrive in Iraq or Afghanistan from the United States.

In fourth grade reading we have completed Stone Fox and enjoyed a party this week. Next week we will begin The Bread Sister of Sinking Creek which is a novel based in Pennsylvania. In science we have completed our unit on motion and design. We will move on into the unit on micro-worlds shortly.

This spring's art exhibit will highlight an aquatic theme. Each bulletin board is currently featuring sea creature projects each class has completed. Additionally, each class has a collection of art work completed during the year that is hung throughout the building.

Some fifth graders have formed a Knitting Club which meets on Wednesday afternoons until 4:20 p.m. Beginners get a quick lesson from Mrs. Venuto, while advanced knitters knit freely. Some of the members knit patches for a blanket being made for charity. Over the past few years, knitting has increased in popularity by 150%. Knitting is not only a craft for girls; some boys also choose to knit.

To foster good neighbor relations, a Community Watch was formed of parents and community members to address ways to keep our surrounding neighborhood a great place to live and learn. As you know, Indian Lane serves as a quasi-township park for Middletown, and as such, we are visited by countless people each day. The number of people who use our facilities increases in the warmer months, and this leads to more opportunities for unacceptable behavior. These actions adversely affect the area around the school and our neighborhood. We are attempting to do everything possible to be a good neighbor to the surrounding homes and families. In addition, we have asked the neighbors to help us keep the school and grounds safe and in good order by reporting suspicious behavior. We have held two meetings, one of which was a question and answer session with Trooper Sunderline of the Pennsylvania State Police.

Indian Lane continues to recognize its Bobcat Citizens of the Month. One student per month is selected by each classroom teacher and recognized by having their picture displayed in the lobby showcase. They receive a certificate and a Bobcat Pledge magnet. We hope to encourage good citizenship throughout our school.

Spring Intramurals will begin soon and floor hockey is the chosen sport. Fourth and fifth graders will alternate Wednesdays to participate in this fun after-school event.

Our Champions Before-and After-School Day Care Program was visited by officials from the Penn-Delco School District. They are considering using the same company for their district and Indian Lane was selected by the company because our program is considered exemplary. One of the Champions staff members is IL teacher's aide Eugenia Perich, who works for them before and after her RTMSD day.

Last, but not least, Indian Lane welcomed more than 364 grandparents and special friends for a visitation day. This was a unique opportunity for us to show off our school to those outside our immediate Indian Lane family. These visitors enjoyed watching their grandchild/special friend in their every-day element and reminisced of their days in elementary school.

MEDIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Happy Spring!

Each season a committee of Media School parents decorates the school with seasonal flair. The spring display is the best yet. We are greeted each morning by an array of tulips, butterflies, pinwheels, and colorful garden ornaments. It's a cheery way to begin each day. Thanks to the Media PTG!

Parent Teacher Conferences

Our second round of parent-teacher conferences went very smoothly. We welcome the opportunity to dialogue with our parents and to share with them examples of student work and assessment results.

Kudos

Three of our instrumental music students participated in The Delaware County Band Fest held this year at Strath Haven High School. They are Bobby Long, Tommy Crowding, and Justin Schumacher. They are under the direction of Mr. Andy Bugosh.

Media's poets sent many entries to the annual *Young Poets of Delaware County Poetry Competition*. Winners were selected from thousands of entries countywide. All winners and their families were invited to attend a poetry reading at The Redwood Playhouse in Upland. They received certificates and copies of their poems. Media had three winners: Jay Fein (grade 2)/ 1st place, Aidan Drake (grade 3)/ 2nd place, and Alaina Clune (grade 5)/1st place. Our winners read their poems on our morning broadcast and were honored at an all-school assembly.

Several of our fifth grade students were honored to read *The American's Creed* at The Court of Common Pleas naturalization program held to honor the "class of 2007/ new citizens." The girls were able to observe the entire naturalization ceremony and to greet the participants. The students who attended are members of Girl Scout Troop 1079. They are Nicole Mason, Chelsea MacCain, Reagan Jacobs, and Sally Race.

Music in the Schools Month

March was *Music in Our Schools Month* and our theme was *Music in our Lives*. Our fourth grade welcomed family and friends to a *Celebration of Music*. The performance included choral work, a recorder piece and one choral/Orff arrangement. The popular favorite was "Fifty Nifty United States" which was written by Ray Charles.

Grade 1 has been exploring elements of music through insect themed songs. One goal was reading so-mi-la on the five line staff. We have great readers of music in our first grade. Preparation for our spring concert is in progress. Additionally, several of our music ensembles will be "on the road" in May with performances scheduled at The Town House (Media Rotary) and Generations (senior center).

Gym News

All students in grades 1-5 recently completed a gymnastics unit. Flexibility, balance and strength were the components of physical fitness addressed in this unit. Students in grades 3-5 have begun spring physical fitness testing. Mrs. Shapero organized and delivered, along with her colleagues, the maturity program. Fourth and fifth grades were included this year.

The Cat's Pajamas

We celebrated the conclusion of PSSA testing with an engaging performance by children's musical group, "The Cat's Pajamas." Teachers (and good sports) Hans Kalbach and Aaron Goldfarb were featured in a song, "You're in Trouble." The theme of the program was "Reading Rocks." It was a lot of fun.

We are incredibly proud of how hard our children worked throughout the PSSA testing period. It is humbling to see them apply themselves and work so diligently for each of the six days. As we like to say here, "They all took the test."

Emergency Drills

We had several emergency drills this month including duck and cover (weather emergency), a fire drill, and bus evacuation drills. Our staff and students are well positioned to handle emergency events.

Skating Party

Our PTG hosted a very successful family event. They had a skate party at CN Skate Palace in Aston that was attended by hundreds. Great raffle prizes added to the event.

M-S Sneaker Sale

One of our Media parents suffers from multiple sclerosis. She is an inspiration to us and has been real crusader for a cure. Mrs. Janet Van Leer arranged for a representative from the M-S Society to speak at our all-school assembly. She and her son Tommy held a "Sneaker Sale" at Media School. All contributions were welcomed and each contributor earned a chance to win a gift certificate for The Coldstone Creamery or two tickets to "Animation on Ice."

No Place for Hate Designation

Media School was honored to be the first school in The Rose Tree Media School District to be officially designated as a “No Place for Hate” site. Mrs. Pauline Garcia from the Anti-Defamation League presented a banner that now proudly hangs in our atrium. Media completed the required activities and submitted a review of those activities to the Anti-Defamation League. Kudos to our site coordinator, Ms. Susan Howe.

Dinosaurs and Penguins

Our kindergarten students enjoyed a distance learning event where they connected with experts at The St. Louis Zoo. First they learned about the distance learning equipment from Mrs. Christa Consadene. They talked a lot about the many ways that we communicate. Then Mr. Mike Clark came over from Penncrest to help us connect with the zoo. It was a wonderful experience.

Our primary children had a visit from “Dino Dan Leesom.” Mr. Leesom is a college professor and RTM resident who consulted on the film, “Jurassic Park.”

ROSE TREE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Art Room Happenings

Congratulations to Rose Tree Elementary student artists from grades 1 through 5 whose work was featured at the gallery of White Horse Village. This annual event was a terrific success with the artists and their parents meeting the residents at the White Horse Village clubhouse on April 4th at 5:00 PM for a lovely reception. Residents were overwhelmingly positive in their response to the students’ work, complimenting and praising the boys and girls for their skills and creativity. The gallery welcomes visitors and will feature Rose Tree’s student artwork throughout the month of April.

Math Lab

Grade 1: Students continued to work on addition and subtraction fact families and introduced the “guess and check” problem solving strategy and estimation. They worked on counting by 2’s, 5’s, and 10’s, including filling in missing numbers and by using pattern blocks. Grade 3: After the PSSA’s, third graders worked with numeric and geometric patterns, multiplication arrays, and continued to strengthen multiplication facts. They went deeper into the world of fractions and division concepts. Grade 4: Fourth graders continued to work with the long division algorithm after completing the PSSA’s. They also worked in the world of fractions, exploring equivalent fractions, addition and subtraction with like and unlike denominators, converting improper fractions into mixed numbers, and introducing GCF, LCM, common denominators, and simplification. Grade 5: After completing the PSSA, fifth grade students worked on addition and subtraction of mixed numbers, multiplication of fractions and mixed numbers as well as pre-algebra concepts: variables, expressions, equations, and solutions. They also worked on optional scaled drawings.

Accelerated Math Program

Fourth Grade: Students continued to learn more about measurement including: metric and customary weight and capacity, temperature, and area of triangles and

parallelograms. As part of the Pi day activities, they learned about circumference of circles and enjoyed some pie! The students also worked on additional measurement concepts and problem solving skills. Fifth Grade: The students completed work with solids, transformations, measurement, area, volume, and surface area. They also enjoyed learning about circles, including many Pi-day activities, such as enjoying pie, creating a pi-chain, discovering the pi ratio and learning about Archimedes. Additionally, the students became experts on creating accurate pie graphs. The students explored the world of fractions, learning how to multiply and divide fractions and mixed numbers.

Music

Students in fifth grade continued their work for Rose Tree Elementary School's Spring Concert. The students have been practicing a variety of songs from different Broadway shows. The concert will take place on Thursday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. at Rose Tree Elementary School.

Library Happenings

The library was very active during the month of April. Fifth graders completed writing "Beyond The Fairy Tale" stories. The students take a traditional fairy tale, and write what happens after the story ends. It was a wonderful exercise for students to use their knowledge of the elements of traditional fairy tales, and as practice in the creative writing process.

Physical Education

During the month of April, all grades focused on teamwork and sportsmanship while playing a variety of games that emphasized fitness. Students in grades 3-5 participated in the Presidential Fitness Testing which involves curl-ups, push-ups, sit and reach pull-ups or the flexed arm hang, and the ½ mile jog. Students in all grades practiced jumping rope.

Guidance

During the month of April, things in the guidance department continued to go well. "Read for Ronald", a fundraiser for Philadelphia's Ronald McDonald House, came to an end. Rose Tree raised \$1167.75 for the cause. Guidance Counselor Jessica Hilden was able to attend the reception at the Towne House with some of Rose Tree's top readers—Max and Samantha Daugherty in first and third grades and Katie Campbell in fourth grade. A great time was had by all!

Special Reading

During the week of April 23rd, students were encouraged to turn off the TV and tune into reading as well as to participate in other healthy activities. Mrs. Poulos, Mrs. Thomas and the fifth grade Library Club sponsored Rose Tree Elementary's fourth annual school wide TV Turn-Off initiative. Every participant received a certificate and was entered in the school raffle which will award Border's Books gift cards to 12 lucky participants.

Academically Gifted Program

The fourth grade gifted support class has been working on a virtual tour of Pennsylvania as an extension of the fourth grade social studies program. This month each child presented a power point project to their class showing places of interest in Pennsylvania

to visit. The students toured through our state finding historical places, state and national parks, baseball games, colleges, museums, and amusement and water parks. Each child kept a budget, a log of miles traveled, and a gasoline consumption record. All of the fourth graders enjoyed seeing the end results. Many have their summer vacation plans ready to go!

Developmental Kindergarten

Just before spring break, Mrs. Hetherington's developmental kindergarten students planted a garden for the classroom and their own small gardens. They have been watering the seeds, making sure to keep them in a place with plenty of sunlight, and are anxiously waiting for the flowers to grow.

Second Grade

Second graders at Rose Tree participated in a Hop-a-Thon to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The students read literature on various physical challenges, saw a video provided by the MDA, learned a related song in music class and received coloring books, achievement certificates and stickers. The second grade children hopped to music on the school playground. Everyone enjoyed a cool, healthy treat after the hop. This activity was a fun and informative way to provide young children with an awareness of and appreciation toward people with physical challenges.

Fourth Grade

The Delaware County Historical Society's "Passport to History" program, with the generous support of its sponsors, offered the 4th grade classes of Rose Tree Elementary a field trip day on April 20, 2007. Students visited the Providence Friends Meetinghouse and The Delaware County Science Institute in Media. They also attended *Once Upon a River*, an educational theater production about the Lenni Lenape Native Americans, at the Hedgerow Theater. Students received 3 stamps in their Delaware County Historical Society's "Passports" as they traveled to these local sites.

Community

Rose Tree Elementary staff and students participated in the annual "RTES Night at McDonalds" on April 19th. The school received 20% of the total amount of food and beverage sold during the 2 hour time period to support the Rose Tree Elementary Breakfast Club. Students and parents came to have fun watching the Rose Tree staff "moonlight" at the McDonalds in Newtown Square. Rose Tree's "Jump Rope for Heart" event was held. Students in grades three, four, and five participated. This event helps raise money for the American Heart Association.

Incident Management Team

On April 18th, Rose Tree Elementary's Incident Management Team met to review emergency drill procedures and to update vital student information.

SPRINGTON LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

We had a wonderful talent show. We raised more than \$1,000 from ticket sales with proceeds to help educational programs at the Hope School in Africa. Hosts for the

evening were the comic duo of Jimmy Boyle and Dillon Fite, both seventh graders. Jimmy and Dillon kept the show moving with friendly humor. Kudos to Mr. Clark for all of the organization and endless hours of rehearsals to make this show such a success. The audience was entertained by: 6th grade performers: Kayla Gaffney who sang a solo; Elena McCracken, Becca Snow, Shawn Leeson, Alex Leo, Alexas Fonseca and Sam Muncer danced; Kelsey Blackburn and Lacy Rankin-Irish dancing; Steppers Renata Fitzgerald, Kyla Kemp, Robin Owens, Dejza Rice and Ambria Smith danced; Zac Schauerman was Elvis; Sivan Alouf and Bridgette Weirich (7th grade) danced; and Cole Gamber, Cody Schultz and Carlos Sierra danced. 7th grade performers: Janee Muetterties sang a solo; Alyse Merry played the piano; Angel Wiggins sang a solo; Becky Ferguson and Gio Karpowicz sang a duet; Steppers Mecca Croxton, Melanie Dawson, Torie Stockton, and Cierra Townsend danced; Dan Middleditch sang and Mark Hoffman played guitar; Sami Bundrick sang; and Clare Thompson and Maryella Maloney and Michele Phillion (both 8th graders) danced. 8th grade performers: Steppers Monica Gilbert, Shawna Sherwin and Harmony Young danced; Sarah Bannan, Jane Lippman and Rachel Consoli sang; Josh Lerner played the guitar and Lauren Welsh sang; Jane Silverberg sang; Corinne LeLane played the piano; Michelle Nolan sang a solo; Paige Miller and Maddie O'Donnell sang a duet; Alexa Clofine sang and Tom Paolo played the guitar and sang. The Mid-Life Crisis band with staff members Mr. Best (guitar), Ms. Mayernick (vocals), Mr. Gramo (drums) and Mr. Lott (harmonica) opened the Talent Show with two lively numbers. Mid-way through the show, Mr. Barry, Mrs. Horan and Dr. Jeuell were the "Supreme Dream Girls." Many did not immediately recognize Mr. Barry who portrayed Diana Ross in a sleeveless glittering black dress, beautiful black curls, make-up and jewelry-the likeness was unbelievable!!!

The Parent Internet Viewer

(PIV) will be piloted by the 8th grade staff during the 4th quarter. Parents received information about PIV with report cards the week of April 16. We had an assembly to explain the PIV to the 8th graders.

Tour de Lake

Tour de Lake is getting bigger this year. The Healthy Community Initiative teaming up with Andy Virtue and Alan Reno to have a full afternoon and evening of events. The 20 mile bike race will start at 3:00 followed by the Tour de Health (health fair) and will be finished off with a Band Concert presented by Mr. Reno.

Class Activities

The sixth grade science classes will be studying ecology the rest of the year. They will be looking at various organisms and their relationship with their environment. Earth Day is April 22nd. During the week prior to Earth Day the students will be learning about global warming and other environmental issues. The students will be learning about what they can do to help the environment. Following the Earth Day activities, students will be learning about food chains and food webs. The seventh grade science department has recently closed its investigation on electrical phenomena and started working on Newtonian Physics. The rest of the school year will be spent on the study of forces and how they affect our lives. This culminates in our Physics Day at Hershey Park when the students have to take accurate measurements on various rides and determine the force involved. The eighth grade science classes have recently finished a unit on acids, bases

and neutralization. We are currently processing experimental reaction time data to produce graphs showing accurate relationships between concentration of solution and reaction time. We will then use our graphs to interpolate or extrapolate the concentrations of unknown reactants in the same timed reactions. Soon we will begin our Fruitvale Unit!

Mrs. Lamont's classes investigated transformations using Geometer Sketchpad on their laptops. After having learned how to translate, rotate and reflect geometric shapes, they created their own designs. These are being proudly displayed on one of the blackboards in Mrs. Lamont's room. Other classes used the TI 83 calculators to investigate graphing linear equations. They learned about x and y intercepts. They also drew conclusions about slopes of parallel and perpendicular lines. Students now know how to solve systems of linear equations. The math teachers at SLMS are diving back into their curriculums for the fourth marking period. Algebra students will be using/graphing radicals to solve various types of problems: equations, polynomials, real life situations, side lengths of right triangles and the midpoints of lines. Ms. Boettcher's Intro. to Pre-Algebra students will be conducting hands on problems to explore theoretical and experimental probability.

The Seventh & Eighth Grade Chorus have been invited to sing the National Anthem at the Media Little League Baseball Opening Ceremony on Saturday April 14th.

Library Happenings

Mrs. Motley presented the P.D.E.-P.S.L.A. workshop entitled *Assessment Primer: The Why, the What and the How* to the librarians from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia at Archbishop Carroll High School in Radnor. She presented the same workshop to Chester County librarians at the Chester County IU. At a flex workshop Mrs. Motley and elementary librarians worked on a scope and sequence of library skills in preparation for revising the elementary library curriculum this summer.

Miss Dizon's sixth grade science students researched an invertebrate of their choice and then wrote shape poem about it incorporating the information they had learned.

Language arts students from both Mrs. McLeod's and Mrs. Gregg's sixth grades received an introductory library lesson on using *Author's and Artists for Young Adults* and the *Student Resources* center before researching an author of their choice. After reading a book by that author, activities included completing note-taking sheets, bibliography cards, presenting their research, and creating a power point or poster. Ms. Cooper's seventh grade language arts classes listened to the library book, *Bashful Bob* and *Doleful Dorinda* by Margaret Atwood. They then created their own books and accompanying glossary using alliteration and vocabulary development as a creative review for PSSAs.

Mrs. Motley presented booktalks to Ms. Bendistis's seventh grade classes in preparation for their book reports on the fantasy genre. Her sixth grades listened to adventure booktalks the following week and then selected books for their next book report. AGP students from Mrs. Sangillo's classes received library lessons on both avoiding plagiarism and using in-text citations in preparation for the writing portion of their long-term research project.

Miss Bendistis's seventh grade classes invited their parents and guardians to school for "Muffins with Mom and Doughnuts with Dad." The students shared the autobiography books that they wrote and created with their parents. The students really impressed their teachers, parents, administrators, and selves with their exceptional work.

All of Mrs. Prior's classes are making the jump from creating two-dimensional art to three-dimensional art. Sixth graders are beginning a clay unit where the goals are to know and demonstrate the use of basic vocabulary and techniques of hand building with clay. Students will create buildings out of clay. Maybe you will see some local or historical landmarks on display later this marking period! Seventh graders are creating papier mache sculptures of famous or every day Americans. Some heroes being created are even some of our own willing SLMS teachers! Students are problem solving to build their armatures and will soon apply papier mache. Eighth Graders are researching and sketching ideas for clay sculptures based on the human figure, imaginary figures, or animal characters. Students will be inspired by the works of Greek, Roman, Egyptian, and Renaissance artists as well as contemporary artists while creating their sculptures.

Mrs. Going's Sixth graders are adding the finishing touches to their Aztec Sun Relief Sculptures, one aspect of the Element of Form. They are fabulous!!! Send the photographs as a culminating event to help reinforce the Element of Form, and we do study all of the Elements of Design in sixth grade, students will now move to the next best thing from Paper Mache which is... Clay!!! Students will study the history of the Stone Fetish from the Native American Zuni tribe. They will then review the Element of Form, specifically, Sculpture in the Round, and the second ½ of this Element of Form. Seventh graders are drawing up a storm with their portrait focus! The students are studying the American Portrait Painters of the 18th and 19th centuries and will be doing a short research paper of an American Painter of their choice. Past or present! The focus is the use of Analogous Color, so expect some pretty outrageous portraits very soon!!! Eighth graders are rapping up the study of the Renaissance and clay figures and paper quilling studies go out on display during the month. Now they will take a time travel back to the Medieval Period in history and study the great Illuminated Manuscripts of the Middle Ages!! Students will choose a passage to write and adorn the page as an artist and calligrapher would have centuries ago. This is a very personal art piece since the page can reflect original text, poetry, favorite songs or passages from a book. This is a favorite for the eighth graders! Look for them soon!!

Mrs. Stewart's eighth grade Family and Consumer Science Class researched budgeting. Each student was assigned a job which they researched using *Vocational Biographies* to determine the amount of money they had to spend, selected housing, and budgeted for it.

Mrs. McCarthy's eighth grade social studies classes researched a variety of Roman emperors from a list provided and then created a pillar which displayed facts about their emperor.

Mrs. Motley had recently finished reading *Punished*, a book by David Lubar, to the students in Ms. Yanchek's Life Skills class. Children in the class enjoyed the predicament

of a boy who was misbehaving in the library and was punished by being able to speak only in puns.

Mrs. Motley visited all sixth grade classrooms and presented information and book talks on Gordon Korman, our visiting author who will be appearing at SLMS on April 26th.

Food for Thought Café

At its monthly meeting, in addition to the regular sharing of books and poetry, students discussed plans for the coming Visiting Author Day reception.

Guidance

All Sixth grade classes will receive a guidance lesson on "Respect". Two groups are presently running on "Family Issues." All seventh grade classes will receive a lesson in Decision Making, "Coping Skills" group presently running. All 315 eighth graders were met with individually and schedules have been loaded for 9th grade. "Anger Management" group presently running. The Guidance Department awarded Borders Gift Certificates to 6 students from each grade for their outstanding effort, improvement and citizenship during the second marking period. Students were recognized by the administration during an awards ceremony in Dr. Jeuell's office.

Congratulations

Lauren Myers, a seventh grader from Miss Mayernick's language arts class, created a bookmark that was selected as the local winner for the Media-Upper Providence Library. Both Mrs. Motley and Miss Mayernick attended a reception in her honor at the public library.

Three of Ms. Mayernick's seventh grade students were recognized by the Rose Tree Media Optimists at a breakfast for their winning essays on the topic "I Want To Make a Difference Because. . ." The first place winner was Rachel Hess, the second place winner was Jacquie Cadorette and the third place winner was Alex Berg. Congratulations to the students for their fine work.

National Adventure Education

Jacque Baker and Tonya Melchior attended the National Health and Physical Education conference (AAHPERD) in Baltimore, Maryland. Tonya was a presenter for an adventure education workshop and Jacque assisted.

Springton Lake is hosting a National Adventure Education workshop for AAHPERD and AAPAR. There are participants from other states and across PA already registered

PENNCREST HIGH SCHOOL

Randy Kreider and Melissa Kennedy were accepted into the KYW Newstudies Class of 2007. They are participating in workshops and working with writers, editors, reporters, and broadcasters at KYW and have been invited to produce a newsbyte which will be presented on KYW Radio later in the spring.

Natalie Brown has been traveling Delaware County schools performing with YES Theatre. This is a theatrical performance addressing drug and substance abuse.

Michelle Jordan and Maegan Malony, two Oral Communications students, prepared and presented two stories for Mrs. Hughes' Kindergarten Class in late March. They not only read to the students but prepared a post-session activity and created a lesson. They were quite successful in entertaining and teaching the little ones.

Music

A number of Penncrest Choir students just finished performing in this year's all-school musical, Steven Sondheim's *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. These dedicated students volunteered their time over the last two months to make this year's musical one of the best ever!

Two of our students, Samantha Hatfield and Brad King, were selected to participate in the 2007 MENC All-Eastern Honors Ensembles, in Hartford Connecticut. Participation in this festival is the highest honor music students can achieve in high school, and is the result of many hours of extra-curricular work. The students were required to prepare exceptionally challenging music in addition to their regular school selections.

Senior Brad King has once again been selected to compete in All-State, to be held in Hershey, PA, April 18-21.

The Penncrest Ambassador Choir has been invited to perform with the Bryn Mawr Mainliners at their upcoming performance, Saturday April 21, at 2pm and 7pm.

This spring, the Penncrest Choirs, in cooperation with the Springton Lake Eighth Grade Choir, will present a multi-generational choral performance. Twenty senior citizen members of the community will be selected to join the combined choirs during their spring concert to share in singing a few selections from this season's "Americana" repertoire. This concert is the first of its kind at Penncrest and will hopefully be the beginning of a successful music partnership between the community and the school district. The concert is free and the public is welcome.

The PHS choirs are privileged to be selected to participate in "America's 400th Birthday Celebration" in Jamestown, Virginia. This festival commemorates the establishment of the first permanent settlement in America. A massed choir of 1,607 voices (to honor the year of settlement) accompanied by a 400-piece orchestra (to honor the anniversary) will perform in a nationally televised grand finale concert on May 13. In addition to the culminating concert, our students will also have the opportunity to perform on their own before the thousands that will be in attendance. Both the Queen of England and the President of the United States have been invited and are expected to attend. Performing in this type of setting with a mass choir is an opportunity that will stretch us musically and create lasting memories. This is going to be a once in a lifetime experience!

Hi-Q

The top seeded PHS Hi-Q team hosted the Hi-Q championship match. PHS finished second, with Marple Newtown winning first place and Garnet Valley finishing third. At the

Hi-Q awards dinner the Hi-Q team accepted its \$2,500 cash prize. In addition, Penncrest High School was named the recipient of the Hi-Q School Spirit Award, in recognition of the enthusiastic but polite, dignified, and classy demeanor of Penncrest student audiences at Hi-Q competitions. PHS Hi-Q captain Erik Virbitsky and coach Michael Ludwig presented the \$2,500 cash award to Mrs. Sharon James on behalf of the entire student body. That donation was coupled with the very generous response of the students and staff at the high school to the fundraiser for the relief of the James family and a sizeable contribution from the RTMEA. Ultimately, the PHS community, including students, teachers, parents, and the Hi-Q team, were able to contribute over \$9,000 to defray expenses incurred by the James family after the fire to their home.

American Invitational Mathematics Exam

Mark Palli (12th Grade) and Dan Consoli (10th Grade) participated in the American Invitational Mathematics Exam. Although neither one qualified for the next round, both did quite well. Mark had a final score of 132.0 and Dan had a score of 103.5.

Athletics

The spring sports season has officially kicked off and our athletic teams have been battling Central League opponents as well as the winter weather. Several Penncrest athletes have demonstrated outstanding performances in the early going. In the sport of boys' lacrosse, Drew Brady scored his one hundredth career goal and Dan Jones was named the Daily Times Athlete of the Week. Kelly Wilson, a sophomore pitcher on the softball team leads Delaware County with forty-three innings pitched.

Penncrest High School held the Larry Simmons Invitational Track Meet. Over four hundred athletes from across District One competed in the track and field events.

Members of the baseball, softball and wrestling teams will take part in a school beautification day. Students who have volunteered for this project will take part in planting shrubbery, weeding flower beds, and removing debris from the campus. A special thank you is in order for Leslie Trimble who has coordinated the delivery of all our materials. She will also serve as our horticulture expert throughout the day.

Rotary Students

The Rotary students of the month for March were Jeffrey Ayars, grade 11 and Rebecca Dunn, grade 12. They were honored at the Rotary luncheon at the Towne House Restaurant.

World Language Department

Nine Penncrest French students were recognized as Top 10 winners in the National French Contest for their respective levels. Five additional students received Honorable Mention.

Nineteen Penncrest French students traveled to Avignon, France as the part of the 2006-2007 French Exchange. The participating students are still glowing about the experience. They have been invited to share their photos and experiences with the Media Optimist Club.

Seventeen Penncrest Spanish students will travel to Costa Rica. In Tortuguero, the students will explore the rain forest and visit a very rural school. The World Language Honors Club will be making a donation towards the purchase of a blackboard for that school. In Arenal, students will ride on horseback to a waterfall and natural hot springs (formed from the nearby active Volcano). They will visit another rural school and challenge them to a game of futbol. Students will also visit Jaco and do a Waterfalls Canopy Tour of the Carara Biological Reserve.

Social Studies

The Delaware County Bar Association presented its Law Day "Mock Trial" to two Penncrest social studies classes. Presenters included the Honorable Patricia Jenkins, Defense Attorney Matt Hanna, and John Reilly, a representative from the District Attorney's office,

Ms. Linda Flexon is recruiting students for the Workshop on Israel session to be held at the World Affairs Council.

ICC

Student Council accepted a proclamation from the Delaware Valley "No Place for Hate" group. The award was in recognition of Penncrest's activities supporting the Anti-Defamation League's respect initiatives.



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1. Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006 - Pam Baker, CPA, Partner in firm Barbacane Thornton, Jeffrey Curtis, CPA and Lead Auditor
Independent auditors reported the financial condition of the district is good with no material weaknesses.

There was additional time and cost associated with the annual audit due to a vacancy in the Business Office during the 2005 – 2006 fiscal year. The invoice with detailed back up will be forwarded to the Business Office from Barbacane Thornton along with an estimated cost for services when auditing the 2006 – 2007 fiscal year. Bill O'Donnell and Bill Campbell, Sharon Learn with meet with Pam Baker to review the new audit process for 2006 – 2007.

Action: Acceptance of the audit report will be on the April Legislative Agenda.

2. Delaware County Intermediate Unit Annual Budget

Follow up: This topic will be discussed at the April 19, 2007 Budget Workshop

3. Delaware County Intermediate Unit – Special Education Budget

Follow up: This topic will be discussed at the April 19, 2007 Budget Workshop

4. Delaware County Community College Budget

Follow up: This topic will be discussed at the April 19, 2007 Budget Workshop

5. Taxpayer Relief Act, Special Session Act 1 of 2006

PDE has reviewed and approved the referendum exceptions submitted by RTMSD.

Follow Up: This topic will be on the April 19, 2007 Budget Workshop

6. Food Service – Although this topic was not on the original agenda, several members of the Food Service Department attended the meeting. Chairman Campbell invited a representative of the group to address the Committee.

The next finance committee meeting will be on May 15, 2007 at 7:00 PM



EXCELLENCE
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OFFICE OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

TO: Members of the Board of School Directors
Dr. Denise Kerr, Superintendent

FROM: Dr. Angela Gilbert, Director of Teaching and Learning - Elementary
Dr. Steve Taylor, Director of Teaching and Learning - Secondary

DATE: April 11, 2007

RE: April 10, 2007, Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting Minutes
Chairperson: Mr. Jeff Pettit

Board Members in Attendance: Veronica Barbato, Bill Campbell, Linda Fox, Nancy Fronduti, Nancy Mackrides, Bill O'Donnell, Jeff Pettit

Also in Attendance: Meg Barney, Denise Kerr, Steve Taylor, Sharon Sweeney, Chrissa Kuntz, Laverne Motley.

Preview of Summer Reading 2007 - Dr. Steve Taylor, Mrs. Laverne Motley, Mrs. Sharon Sweeney, Mrs. Chrissa Kuntz.

Mrs. Motley, Mrs. Sweeney, and Mrs. Kuntz previewed this year's summer reading program for the Board.

Elementary: Summer Reading at the elementary level is relatively new in RTM, and it takes the form of an incentive program more than a mandatory program. Parents have taken an active role in suggesting interesting books.

Middle School: This year's middle school Summer Reading program was developed by a team under the direction of Mrs. Motley. Wanting to continue a link between summer reading and Springton Lake's pro-social skills program, the group chose the theme of friendship for this year's books. While the group liked last year's concept of having the entire school read the same book, it was not able to find a suitable book for all three grades on the topic of friendship. Suitable books are available at each grade level, however, and the group decided to select one book for each grade level. The main selections are ***Al Capone Does My Shirts*** (6th grade), ***Things Not Seen*** (7th grade), and ***Bronx Masquerade*** (8th grade). Students also must read another book from among four additional selections at each grade level. Promotional materials written for the Summer Reading program make it clear that parents may substitute another book on the

list for any one of the grade-level selections. The middle school strongly encourages parents to read with their children in the summer and to discuss the books. Students will be tested on the books when school starts in September.

High School: Penncrest faculty members were very pleased with students' responses to the Summer Reading model for 2006, and the same basic model will be repeated this coming summer with a few new titles. The basic model requires students at each grade level to choose a core reading from a list of four titles unique to that grade level. These choices include a classic, an easy read, a non-fiction title, and one other book. New core titles for 2007 include the following: ***Funny in Farsi*** (9th grade), ***Warriors Don't Cry*** (10th grade), ***My Sister's Keeper*** (11th grade), and ***A Lesson Before Dying*** and ***The Glass Castle*** (12th grade). Students must also select a second book, which they pick entirely on their own. The packet which students will receive does contain a list of suggested titles for the second book and a list of websites to consult, as well as a few recommendations from students, parents, and faculty. Some suggestions for keeping track of reading and a parent interview form also accompany the suggested titles. Students will be tested on the books when school starts in September.

Copies of all the Summer Reading books will be made available to Board members.

Following the presentation of the Summer Reading program, the Board requested that the suggested books be sent home to elementary students with a summer mailing. Dr. Taylor also will make sure the Special Education Department is aware of the reading lists and will purchase books on tape so that students with learning disabilities related to reading may participate fully in the Summer Reading program.



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*Anne D. Callahan
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To: Members of the Board of School Directors
Denise C. Kerr, Ed.D., Superintendent

From: Anne D. Callahan, Director of Human Resources

Date: April 20, 2007

Subject: Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting

In attendance: J. Pettit, W. O'Donnell, W. Campbell, N. Fronduti, W. Montgomery

Also in attendance: A. Callahan, D. Kerr, S. Learn

I. Items for Legislative Meeting – Anne Callahan

Anne Callahan reviewed the items to be included on the agenda of the legislative meeting on April 26, 2007.

Action: All items will be placed on the agenda of the legislative meeting for a vote of the full board on April 26, 2007.

II. Paid Leave of Absence – Fullbright Exchange Teacher

The committee reviewed a request for a paid leave of absence for the 2007-08 school year. The teacher making the request has been accepted for the Fullbright Teacher Exchange Program

Some committee members requested additional information about benefits for the teacher.

Action: Anne Callahan will contact Independence Blue Cross to obtain the information requested. The item will then appear on the agenda of the legislative meeting of April 26, 2007, for a vote.

III. Executive Session

An executive session was held to discuss matters of personnel.

The next meeting of the Personnel Committee will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2007, at 7PM in the Education Center Board Room.



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*Sharon A. Learn
Board Secretary
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Services Department*

To: Members of the Board of School Directors
Denise C. Kerr, Ed.D. Superintendent
From: Sharon A. Learn, Chief Operations Officer
Date: April 20, 2007
Subject: April 17, 2007 - 9:00 PM - Operations Committee Meeting
Minutes - Chairperson: Bill Montgomery

In Attendance: Bill Montgomery Bill Campbell
 Jeff Pettit Nancy Fronduti
Also: Denise Kerr Sharon Learn
 Harry Protzmann

1. Five Year Capital Improvement & Educational Plan – Harry Protzmann, Engineer
 - a. Smedley Property Land Development – Athletic Director, Joe D’Antonio, and Harry Protzmann explained the need for water on the new athletic fields. Their recommendation is to install a wet tap on the existing water line on Rose Tree Road and run 400 feet of 3” water service pipe to a new yard hydrant at an estimated one time cost of \$64,000 for installation and an estimated annual fee of \$7,000.

Follow Up: The Committee agreed with the above recommendation. Harry Protzmann will include the water line in the land development plans.
 - b. Springton Lake Middle School Renovation Project - Update Architect Don Bonnett and staff will meet with the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Kerr and Joyce Jeuel, Principal on April 25, 2007 at 1:00 P.M.

Follow Up: This item will remain on the monthly agenda.

- c. Hayes Large Community Meetings
The second community meeting was held on April 11, 2007, at Springton Lake Middle School, 1:00 P.M. and 7:30 P.M. The final community meeting will be held on May 9, 2007 at Glenwood Elementary School, 9:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

Follow Up: A date must be determined for the presentation of the Five Year Capital Improvement & Educational Plan.

- 2. Change Orders – Harry Protzmann, Engineer
Allstates Mechanical
Change Order No. 5R ... \$4,500 for labor increase due to delay for Allstates Mechanical, Ltd. and its sub contractors.

Action: This item will be on the April 26, 2007, Legislative Agenda.

3. Bid Awards

1. Storage Sheds

Rick Sheds \$20,827.00

Glenwood - Shed, \$6,277.00; Delivery, \$50.00; Bob Cat to remove dirt, haul away dirt, and install 6" of stone and level site, \$2,500.00; for a total of \$8,827.00

Indian Lane – Shed \$4,332.00; Delivery, \$50.00; Remove 20 ft tall pine tree, remove stump, remove 13 ft. of curbing, \$1,950.00; for a total of \$6,332.

Penncrest – Shed, \$3,968.00; Delivery, \$50.00; Bob Cat to dig outside, removed 13' of concrete curbing and stone the area, \$1,650.00; for a total of \$5,668.00.

Middletown Township Fire Marshall notified three schools (Penncrest, Glenwood and Indian Lane) of a violation – storing gasoline and small motorized equipment in the buildings. The most efficient remedy is to place storage sheds with locks at each site. Bids were received on Friday, December 8th. This item was to be on the December Legislative Agenda however, there were problems obtaining permits

2. Paving – Springton Lake and Rose Tree Elementary

The Administration is recommending the bid be awarded to:
G. Antonini Construction, Inc. \$149,250.00

3. Chemical Storage Room – Penncrest High School –
 The Administration is recommending the bids be awarded to:

a. General Construction: L. J. Paoeella Construction	\$42,560
b. Electrical Construction: McGoldrick Electric	\$10,013
c. Mechanical Construction: Premier Mechanical	<u>\$80,900</u>
	\$133,473

Action: These items will be on the April 26, 2007 Legislative Agenda.

4. Transportation Building – Request for Emergency Generator
 The Administration is recommending the Board approve the proposal for Professional Services to determine the size generator required to provide back up electrical service to the Transportation Department.

Follow Up: This item is on hold for now and will be presented at a future Operations Committee Meeting.

5. School Bus Bid Opening was held on April 16, 2007
 The District will realize a cost savings if new school buses are purchased on or before May 1, 2007. After May 1st the cost will increase due to new, Federal regulations.

Action: The analysis and recommendation will be forwarded to Board Members ASAP. The Bid Award will be on the April 26, 2007 Legislative Agenda.

The next operations committee meeting will be on May 15, 2007, 9:00 PM



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*Valerie Burnett
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To: Members of the Board of School Directors
Denise C. Kerr, Ed.D. Superintendent

From: Valerie Burnett

Date: April 11, 2007

Subject: April 10, 2007 Pupil Services Minutes
Chairperson: Mrs. Veronica Barbato

Board Members in attendance: Nancy Mackrides, Veronica Barbato, Jeff Pettit, Bill O'Donnell, Nancy Fronduti, Linda Fox, Bill Campbell

Others in attendance: Dr. Kerr, Dr. Burnett, Dr. Barta, Mrs. Shacklady-White

Policy 202 Eligibility of Non-Resident Students

A revision to Policy 202 was presented that clarifies the District's ability to collect specific documentation to verify the residency of any student enrolling in the District who resides with anyone other than a natural parent. The policy revision has been provided to Tom Kelly for review.

Action: The policy will be on the April 2007 Legislative agenda for second read and approval.

Policy 209 Health Examinations

Policy 209 Health Examinations was presented following communication from the Pennsylvania Division of School Health requesting all districts provide policy that addresses the mandated physical and dental examinations. The policy must include a statement that indicates the district will accept private physical and dental examination if completed within the year prior to the mandated grade.

Action: The policy will be on the April 2007 Legislative agenda for second read and approval.

Document Solutions

The PA school code requires school districts to maintain student records for 100 years beyond the date of graduation. This creates a need to store documents in a format that is accessible, but also reduces the challenge of storage. The past practice had been to provide up to 169 hours of overtime annually for an aide to cull the records and remove staples. The documents were then outsourced for microfilming with a total annual cost of \$11,000. As technology has advanced beyond this film format, digital solutions were investigated that improve access and reduce costs. Three companies were invited to survey our student records and submit a proposal. The most cost effective and most beneficial process was submitted by Berkheimer Client Outsourcing. The company will pick up all records, prepare and scan to a digital format and host the data on their server. The total cost of the service for the first year is \$9,218.00 (The cost includes either storage of the documents for one year, and shredding of documents.) This solution will digitally store all student records of graduating students or exiting students from the year 2002 to 2006. Annually the cost thereafter will be significantly reduced to prepare and scan one year of records.

Action: Approval of the contract will be on the April 2007 Legislative Agenda.

Overnight Trip Requests

Pennsylvania Music Education All State Choral Festival Hershey, PA April 18-21
One Student has been selected to compete in this state festival. The student will attend along with one chaperone. The trip costs include 3 substitute days at \$225.00, registration fees of \$130.00, mileage reimbursement at \$74.76, student cost of \$260.00, and district cost of 564.72 for lodging and meals. The total cost of the trip is \$1254.48.

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Action: Approval of the overnight trip will be on the April 2007 Legislative Agenda.

The next meeting of the Pupil Services Committee will be May 1, 2007 at 8:00 PM



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To: Members of the Board of School Directors
Denise C. Kerr, Ed.D., Superintendent

From: Patti Linden

Date: April 12, 2007

Subject: Technology Committee Meeting Minutes for April 10, 2007
Chairperson: Mrs. Linda Fox

Board Members in attendance: Veronica Barbato, Nancy Fronduti, Nancy Mackrides, Bill Campbell, Linda Fox, Jeff Pettit

Also in attendance: Denise Kerr, Patti Linden, Mack Johnson, Ron Harris, Kim McCann, Meg Barney

Digital Natives, A Look at the Past

Patti Linden offered a short presentation on the traditional educational tools used in the classroom. The "What If" creation demonstrated a lack of vision and trust in new educational tools as they became available throughout the previous two centuries of American education. The Power Point culminated with quotations of negative statements toward uses of technology in education, and ended with "What if...we'd listened?" Looking at the past, the implication was that we cannot keep education at a standstill, but rather must move forward with advances in technology. Discussion centered on the concept of the digital native students in our classrooms and how the technology tools that are available will keep them motivated and engaged.

Digital Natives, A Look at the Present

As we look at the present in Rose Tree Media, Kim McCann demonstrated the Parent Internet Viewer that has been developed to allow parents of our secondary student's web-based access to their students' grades. She explained that the Parent Portal is password protected and will be piloted during the fourth quarter marking period this year for all eighth grade students and a group of 26 students at Penncrest. Full implementation of this tool will begin in September 2007. Also at the present time, we have begun to podcast the Superintendent's monthly report on our website.

Digital Natives, A Look at the Future

As we plan to move forward in Rose Tree Media and address the needs of our digital native students, we will be applying for the “Classrooms for the Future” grant from PDE. Patti Linden explained the parameters of this initiative and the reasons for our application in this next funding year.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Education Center Board Room

VIII. Old Business

A. Policies

1. Policy #202 Non-Resident Students - Second Reading and Approval – Attachment A

Resolve, that the board approve the revised policy that was discussed at the March 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting.

Background

A revision to Policy #202 was presented at the March 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting that clarifies the District's ability to collect specific documentation to verify the residency of any student enrolling in the District who resides with anyone other than a natural parent. The policy revision has been provided to Tom Kelly for review.

2. School Board Policy #209 Health Examinations - Second Read and Approval – See Attachment B

Resolve, that the Board approve the revised policy that was discussed at the March 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting. This policy will be presented for a first reading at the March 2007 Legislative Meeting.

Background

Policy #209 Health Examinations was presented following communication from the Pennsylvania Division of School Health requesting all districts provide policy that addresses the mandated physical and dental examinations. The policy includes a statement that indicates the district will accept private physical and dental examination if completed within the year prior to the mandated grade.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

1. Terminations

a. Professional

1. Linda Berkowitz, Spanish Teacher, Penncrest High School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Berkowitz joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Spanish Teacher in 1989. She is retiring after 18 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

2. Sharon Bretherick, 5th Grade Teacher, Rose Tree Elementary, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Bretherick joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as an Elementary Teacher at Rose Tree Elementary in 1972. She is retiring after 35 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

3. Ed Dale, Math Teacher, Penncrest High School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Mr. Dale joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Math Teacher at Penncrest High School in 1973. He is retiring after 34 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

4. Gail Diksa, World Language Teacher and Coordinator, Penncrest High School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Diksa joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a World Language Teacher at Penncrest High School in 1968. Ms. Diksa is retiring after 39 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

1. Terminations - continued

a. Professional

5. Paul Forberger, Reading Teacher, Glenwood Elementary, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Mr. Forberger joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Title I Reading Specialist at Media Elementary in 1976. He is retiring after 31 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

6. Stephanie Gauzza, Speech and Language Teacher, Glenwood Elementary, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Gauzza joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Speech and Language Teacher at Glenwood Elementary in 1993. Ms. Gauzza is retiring after 14 years of dedicated service to the Rose Tree Media School District.

7. Mary Hamill, Language Arts Teacher, Penncrest High School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Hamill joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Language Arts Teacher at Penncrest High School in 1971. Ms. Hamill is retiring after 36 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

1. Terminations - continued

a. Professional

8. Judy Hughes, Kindergarten Teacher, Indian Lane Elementary, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Hughes joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as an Elementary Teacher at Glenwood Elementary in 1988 until 1992 when she was transferred to Indian Lane Elementary. Ms. Hughes is retiring after 19 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

9. Cathy Lamont, 8th Grade Math Teacher, Springton Lake Middle School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Lamont joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Math Teacher at Springton Lake Middle School in 1979. Ms. Lamont is retiring after 28 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

10. Peggy Levesque, Dean of Students, Springton Lake Middle and Penncrest High Schools, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Levesque joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Social Studies Teacher in 1972. She served as a Teacher on Assignment for Staff Development from 1999 to 2001. In 2001 Ms. Levesque began serving as the Student and Community Liaison for Springton Lake Middle and Penncrest High Schools. She is retiring after 35 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

1. Terminations - continued

a. Professional

11. Pam Mitchell, 5th Grade Teacher, Rose Tree Elementary, retirement, effective June 30,2007.

Background

Ms. Mitchell joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as an Elementary Teacher at Rose Tree Elementary in 1970. She is retiring after 37 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

12. Gay Moyer, Librarian, Penncrest High School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Moyer joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as an Elementary Teacher in 1963. During her tenure, she has served in many capacities, including Librarian at Penncrest High School, which she served for 30 years. She is retiring after 44 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

13. Karen Owsley, Special Education Language Arts Teacher, Springton Lake Middle School, retirement, effective June 30,2007.

Background

Ms. Owsley joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Special Education Teacher at Rose Tree Elementary in 1984. Ms. Owsley is retiring from Springton Lake Middle School after 23 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

1. Terminations - continued

a. Professional

14. Nancy Palmo, Guidance Counselor, Indian Lane Elementary, retirement, effective June 30,2007.

Background

Ms. Palmo joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Guidance Counselor at Glenwood Elementary in 1972. In 1992, Ms. Palmo was transferred to Indian Lane Elementary. She is retiring after 35 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

15. June Palomba, 8th Grade Social Studies teacher, Springton Lake Middle School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms Palomba joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as an Elementary Teacher at Springton Lake Middle School in 1988. She is currently teaching 8th Grade Social Studies. Ms Palomba is retiring after 19 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

16. Walter Read, Chemistry Teacher, Penncrest High School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Mr. Read joined Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Physics Teacher at Penncrest High School in 1990. He is retiring after 17 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

1. Terminations - continued

a. Professional

17. Judy Roman, Language Arts Teacher, Penncrest High School, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Roman joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as an English Teacher at Penncrest High School in 1970. She is retiring after 37 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

18. Carol Schmitt, Language Arts/ Reading Teacher, Penncrest, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Ms. Schmitt joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as an English Teacher at Penncrest High School in 1986. She is retiring after 21 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

19. Robert Schwartz, Special Education Math Teacher, Penncrest, retirement, effective June 30, 2007.

Background

Mr. Schwartz joined the Rose Tree Media School District Staff as a Special Education Teacher at Penncrest High School in 1973. He is retiring after 34 years of dedicated service to Rose Tree Media School District.

b. Non-Instructional

1. Nancy Silveri-Somers, Food Service Worker, resignation, effective March 13, 2007.

2. Nominations

a. Professional - None

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

2. Nominations

b. Non-Instructional

1. Alisha Moreland, Food Service Worker, effective April 11, 2007, at the rate of \$8.45 per hour. Ms. Moreland is assigned to Penncrest High School replacing Tina Stevenson who is now a substitute. NOTE: Ms. Moreland is being hired pending completion of her pre-employment paperwork.
2. Timothy Kershaw, Jr., Personal Instructional Assistant, Support Staff II, effective April 12, 2007 at the rate of \$12.81 per hour. Mr. Kershaw is assigned to Indian Lane Elementary. NOTE: Mr. Kershaw is being hired pending completion of his pre-employment paperwork.
3. Glen Long, Courier, effective April 23, 2007 at the rate of \$12.46 per hour. Mr. Long is assigned to the Education Center replacing Mabel Deldeo who was reassigned. NOTE: Mr. Long is being hired pending completion of his pre-employment paperwork.
4. Recommend the Board approve the following personnel to serve as Substitute Maintenance Workers, effective May 15, 2007 at the rate of \$12.00 per hour:

Nicholas Cresta	Kristofer Grossi
Robert Lorenz	William Preddy
Charles Riley	Connor McCormick
William McMenamin	
5. Diane Steward, will serve as a substitute custodian in addition to her duties as a Cafeteria Worker, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, effective March 27, 2007.
6. **Janet Thompson, Cafeteria Worker, effective April 27, 2007 at the rate of \$8.45 per hour. Ms. Thompson is assigned to Indian Lane Elementary replacing Elaine Krynski who resigned. NOTE: Ms. Thompson is being hired pending completion of her pre-employment paperwork.**

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

2. Nominations

b. Non-Instructional

7. **Kelli Trusty, Substitute Cafeteria Worker, effective April 16, 2007 at the rate of \$8.35 per hour. NOTE: Ms. Trusty is being hired pending completion of her pre-employment paperwork.**
8. **Larry Powell will serve as a Substitute Maintenance Worker in addition to his full time evening custodian position, effective April 17, 2007, at the rate of \$12.00 per hour.**
9. **Lisa Drake, Cafeteria Worker, effective April 27, 2007, at the rate of \$8.45 per hour. Ms. Drake is assigned to Penncrest High School replacing Nancy Somers who resigned. NOTE: Ms. Drake is being hired pending completion of her pre-employment paperwork.**

3. General

a. Classification Change

1. William Miller from New Bus Driver to Regular Full-Time Bus Driver effective February 28, 2007.
2. Mildred Jacobs from Substitute Custodian to Custodian effective April 9, 2007 at the rate of \$13.14 per hour. Ms. Jacobs is assigned to Penncrest High School replacing Paulette Goolsby who was reassigned.
3. Tina Stevenson from Regular Part-Time Cafeteria Worker to Substitute Cafeteria Worker, effective March 30, 2007.
4. Benefits Clerk from Office Clerk III, Rose Tree Media School District Secretarial and Educational Support Personnel Association to Benefits Clerk, Confidential position, effective May 1 2007. This position will be part of the Administrative Assistants and Confidential Secretaries meet and discuss group.

IX. New Business

A. Personnel

3. General

b. Sabbatical Leave

1. Carley Dillon has requested a sabbatical leave for the purpose of Professional Development. Leave will commence August 27, 2007 and terminate June 23, 2008.

c. Leave of Absence

1. JoAnn Mrozoski has requested a paid leave of absence to participate in the Fulbright Teacher exchange Program for the 2007-2008 school year.
2. Kathleen Geary has requested an unpaid leave of absence for the purpose of child rearing commencing March 21, 2007 and terminating June 30, 2007.

d. **Supplemental Contracts**

1. **Katherine Robinson, Glenwood Elementary Student Ambassador Club Instructor for the 2006-2007 school year at the annual salary of \$129.00.**
2. **Christine Sommer, Rose Tree Elementary Student Ambassador Club Instructor for the 2006-2007 school year at the annual salary of \$129.00.**

e. Salary Change

1. Michael Mohring, salary correction to Bachelor's/ Step 3, \$42,038, effective August 28, 2006. Mr. Mohring's salary was incorrectly reported on the June Board.

IX. New Business

B. Overnight Trips

1. Pennsylvania Music Education All State Choral Festival – Hershey, PA

Resolve, that the Board approve the overnight trip to the Pennsylvania Music Education All State Choral Festival in Hershey, PA.

Background

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APPENDIX X

X. Finance

A. Purchasing

1. Bid Awards

Recommend the following bids be awarded in the categories listed, such recommendation being the lowest bid received from a responsible bidder, kind, quality and materials having been considered.

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Storage Sheds

Rick Sheds \$20,827.00

Glenwood - Shed, \$6,277.00; Delivery, \$50.00; Bob Cat to remove dirt, haul away dirt, and install 6" of stone and level site, \$2,500.00; for a total of \$8,827.00

Indian Lane – Shed \$4,332.00; Delivery, \$50.00; Remove 20 ft tall pine tree, remove stump, remove 13 ft. of curbing, \$1,950.00; for a total of \$6,332.

Penncrest – Shed, \$3,968.00; Delivery, \$50.00; Bob Cat to dig outside, removed 13' of concrete curbing and stone the area, \$1,650.00; for a total of \$5,668.00.

APPENDIX X

X. Finance

A. Purchasing

1. Bid Awards (cont'd)

Background

Middletown Township Fire Marshall notified three schools (Penncrest, Glenwood and Indian Lane) of a violation – storing gasoline and small motorized equipment in the buildings. The most efficient remedy is to place storage sheds with locks at each site. Bids were received on Friday, December 8th.

School Buses

Two (2) 48-Passenger Conventional School Buses
Four(4) 72-Passenger Conventional School Buses

Wolfington Body Company, Inc. \$406,316.

Background

A Bid Opening was held on April 16, 2007. Two bids were received. One bid did not meet the specifications.

B. General

1. Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006 - Pam Baker, CPA

Resolve, that the Board acknowledge receipt of the Independent Auditors' Report, Management Discussion and Analysis, and Basic Financial Statements for Fiscal year ended June 30, 2006.

Background

This was discussed at the April 17, 2007 Finance Committee Meeting.

APPENDIX X

X. Finance

A. General

2. Change Orders – Harry Protzmann, Engineer

Change orders are acted upon in accordance with Resolution 1997-98 - 124, as approved by the School Board of Directors on April 23, 1998.

Resolve, that the Board approve the following change orders:

Allstates Mechanical

Change Order No. 5R ... \$4,500 for labor increase due to delay for Allstates Mechanical, Ltd. and its sub contractors.

Background

This was discussed at the April 17, 2007 Finance Committee Meeting.

3. Berkheimer Client Outsourcing Contract

Resolve, that the Board approve a contract with Berkheimer Client Outsourcing in the amount of \$9,218.

Background

Berkheimer Client Outsourcing will pick up all student records, prepare and scan to a digital format and host the data on their server. The total cost of the service for the first year is \$9,218.00 (The cost includes either storage of the documents for one year, or shredding of documents.) This solution will digitally store all student records for graduating students or exiting students from the years 2002 to 2006. Annually the cost will be significantly reduced after the first year. This item was discussed at the April 2007 Pupil Services Committee Meeting.

ROSE TREE MEDIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS
 TITLE: ELIGIBILITY OF
 NONRESIDENT STUDENTS
 ADOPTED: December 19, 2002
 REVISED: August 28, 2003

	<p>202. ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS</p>
<p>1. Purpose SC 501</p> <p>SC 1301</p>	<p>The Board shall operate the school district for the benefit of children residing in this district and eligible for attendance.</p> <p>The Board may permit the admission of nonresident students in accordance with terms of this policy.</p>
<p>2. Authority SC 1302</p>	<p>The Board reserves the right to verify the residency of any student and to require a sworn statement of residential support for the student who resides with a person other than his/her parent, guardian or custodian. <u>The District may require the following substantiating documentation:</u></p> <p><u>Residency Affidavit and any of the following:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>1. Copy of completed IRS form transferring tax exemption of the child to resident, or</u> <u>2. Copy of Federal or State tax form which lists the child as a dependent of the resident, or</u> <u>3. Copy of completed county tax form transferring child support payments to resident, or</u> <u>4. Copy of insurance policy/card/statement listing the child eligible for services, or</u> <u>5. Copy of completed State form notifying the Department of Welfare of child's new residence, or</u> <u>6. Copy of lease/rental agreement identifying the child as a tenant,</u>
<p>3. Guidelines SC 1305</p>	<p><u>Nonresident Children Placed In The District</u></p> <p>Any child placed in the home of a resident of this district by a court or an agency of government shall be admitted to the appropriate educational program and shall receive the same benefits and be subject to the same duties as resident children.</p> <p><u>Residents Of Institutions</u></p>

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<p>SC 1306-9 Title 22 Sec. 11.18 SC 1309</p>	<p>A child who is an inmate of an institution, as defined by PA Section 1306, for the care or training of children located within this district, is not a legal resident of the district by such placement, but shall be admitted to the schools of this district and a charge shall be made for tuition in accordance with statute.</p> <p><u>Future/Former Residents</u></p> <p>Pupils moving into, or leaving, the district may be permitted up to a 40-day tuition-free period of school attendance while not residing in the school district. Granting such shall be upon the request of the parents and at the discretion of the Superintendent.</p> <p>A pupil who has completed the eleventh (11th) grade in the schools of the district and whose family is planning to move during his/her senior year may continue his/her education within the district schools under the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the pupil has completed the eleventh (11th) grade within the Rose Tree Media School District as a resident pupil. 2. That the usual forty (40) days of free tuition be allowed at the end of the first semester, if the pupil leaves the school during the first semester and ceases to be a pupil of the district. 3. That upon recommendation of Superintendent, the student be allowed to remain for one (1) year to complete grade twelve, and that the last semester (90 days) be tuition-free. 4. That any tuition due on the first semester be paid monthly (at the current rate) in advance, at the beginning of the nonresidency. <p><u>Children Of Nonresident Staff Members</u></p> <p>Attendance exceptions for children of nonresident staff members will not be granted.</p> <p><u>Out-of-State Students</u></p> <p>Enrollment of any out-of-state student in a school district program shall be conditioned upon a guarantee, or actual advance receipt, from the student's home state or out-of-state school district, or from the out-of-state party or agency which placed the student in the school district.</p>
<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the enrollment of nonresident children which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Admit such children only on the proper application of the parent or guardian.

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<p>School Code 501, 1301, 1302, 1305, 1306-9, 1309, 1310, 1316, 1608, 1609, 2503, 2561</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Do not exclude any child, otherwise eligible, on the basis of such child's race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, or disability.3. Verify claims of residency.4. Deny admission where the educational facilities or program maintained for the children of this district is inadequate to meet the needs of the applicant. 5. Make continued enrollment of any nonresident student contingent upon maintaining good standards of citizenship and discipline. <p>The Superintendent shall report to the Board annually the enrollment of each nonresident student.</p> <p>Tuition rates shall be determined in accordance with statute. Tuition shall be paid as follows: half is due upon registration; the second half is due the first week of January of that school year. Any registration that occurs after the first week of January will require payment in full at time of registration.</p>
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ROSE TREE MEDIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: HEALTH EXAMINATIONS

ADOPTED:

REVISED:

209. HEALTH EXAMINATIONS	
<p>1. Purpose SC 1402-3</p>	<p>In compliance with the School Code, the Board shall require that students of this district submit to health and dental examinations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To protect the school community from the spread of communicable disease. 2. To ensure that the student's participation in health, safety and physical education courses meets his/her individual needs. 3. To ensure that the learning potential of each child is not lessened by a remediable physical disability.
<p>2. Guidelines SC 1402, 1407</p>	<p>Each pupil shall receive a comprehensive health examination upon original entry, while in sixth grade and in eleventh grade. These examinations will be conducted by the school physician. A private examination conducted at the parents' request and at their expense will be accepted in lieu of the school examination.</p> <p><u>The District will accept proof of private physical examination that was completed within one calendar year prior to the students entry into the grade in which the examination is required.</u></p>
<p>SC 1403, 1407</p>	<p>Each pupil shall receive a comprehensive dental examination upon original entry, while in third grade and in seventh grade. These examinations will be conducted by the school dentist. A private examination conducted at the parents' request and at their expense will be accepted in lieu of the school examination.</p> <p><u>The District will accept proof of private dental examination that was completed within one calendar year prior to the students entry into the grade in which the examination is required.</u></p>
<p>SC 1409 Pol. 216</p>	<p>For each pupil transferring to the schools of this district, the Superintendent shall request an adequate health record from the transferring school.</p>
<p>SC 1409</p>	<p>The individual pupil records of health examinations shall be maintained as a confidential record subject to statute and the policies of this district.</p>

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<p>SC 1419 Title 28 Sec. 23.44</p>	<p>A student who presents a statement signed by his/ her parent or guardian that a medical examination is contrary to his/her religious beliefs shall be examined only when the Secretary of Health determines that the student presents a substantial health menace to the health of other persons.</p>
<p>SC 1402(d), 1406</p>	<p>Where it appears to school health officials or teachers that a child deviates from normal growth and development or where school examinations reveal conditions requiring health or dental care, the parent or guardian of the child shall be so informed; and a recommendation shall be made that the parent consult a private physician or dentist. The parent shall be required to report to the school the action taken subsequent to such notification. When the parents or guardians inform the school of financial inability to provide an examination, the school shall advise them of the availability of public assistance. Where no action is taken, the school may conduct further examinations.</p>
<p>SC 1405 Title 28 Sec. 23.2 (e)</p>	<p>Parents and guardians of children who are to be examined shall be notified of such examinations. The notice shall include the date and location of the examination and encouragement that the parent or guardian attend.</p>

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