MT. LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT 7 HORSMAN DRIVE PITTSBURGH PA 15228

DISCUSSION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 JEFFERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY 7:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Presentation of Energy Award Mr. Ross Kelly, the Regional President of Cenergistic which is the energy conservation firm that we engaged almost 10 years ago to help us launch an energy conservation initiative, will be at the meeting to present an award to our schools as one of the top school districts in the country in energy conservation. Since the inception of our program, we have maintained a reduction of more than 30% in utility consumption which has translated into more than \$5,000,000 in savings from our baseline costs. This year we are flirting with an almost 50% reduction in utility usage. This achievement makes us among the very top leaders, not only in Pennsylvania, but in the country in energy conservation. Mr. Kelly will be at the meeting to present this leadership award for our achievement in energy conservation.
- IV. Action Items for September 16, 2013, Board Meeting

A. Financial Items

- 1. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> The treasurer's report reflects cash transactions for the month of August, 2013. All activity is typical for this time of year. The superintendent recommends approval and acceptance of the report.
- 2. <u>Monthly List of Bills</u> The monthly list of bills reflects checks authorized to be drawn between August 15 and 31, 2013. All checks are typical for this time of year and the superintendent recommends approval of the list.
- 3. <u>Tax Refunds</u> The list of tax refunds totals \$3,647.70 for nine properties. All refunds have been reviewed and approved for payment by the solicitor's office. The superintendent recommends approval of the list.
- 4. <u>Sale of Unusable Equipment</u> The list of unusable equipment reflects a number of old pieces of furniture including desks, chairs and carts in various conditions. The superintendent recommends approval of the list for sale.
- 5. <u>Bank Account</u> A separate Bank account is required to keep track of the 2013 bond funds. The superintendent recommends approval of this action.

B. <u>Personnel Items</u>

1. <u>Personnel Report</u> – The Personnel Report dated September 6, 2013, details personnel appointments, changes in assignments, leaves of absences, resignations, and retirements to be considered by the Board. The superintendent recommends approval of this report.

C. Other

- 1. Agreement with the Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic This is a request to approve an agreement with Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinc's (WPIC) Inpatient Licensed Academic School (LAS) beginning August 1, 2013 and ending on or around June 12, 2014. This agreement is necessary to partially off-set the costs of providing educational programming in conjunction with the WPIC Inpatient LAS. The cost is \$75 per day per student. Each student is provided with a daily minimum of 3.5 hours of educational programming. The average length of stay is 14-18 days. We do not anticipate sending more than six students. Currently, no Mt. Lebanon students attend this program.
- 2. Educational Services Provided by the Watson Institute Behavior Support Academy This is a request to approve an agreement with the Watson Institute Behavior Support Academy for the placement of a special education student for the 2013-2014 school year. The cost is \$42,599 per student per year and will not exceed \$42,599 per student for no more than three students.
- 3. Agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit This is a request to approve an agreement between the Mt. Lebanon School District and the Allegheny Intermediate Unit to provide remedial reading and math support services at St. Bernard's School during the 2013-2014 school year as part of the Title I nonpublic participation requirement. The cost for the service will be \$7,532. Funds are provided through the Title I grant.
- 4. <u>Skilled Nursing Services Provided by Continuum Nursing Services</u>— This is a request to approve an agreement with Continuum Nursing Services to provide skilled nursing services for the 2013-2014 school year for a special needs student, including providing services on the bus. The cost of the service is \$40 per hour and will not exceed \$60,000 for the school year.
- 5. <u>Intervention Specialist Provided by Wesley Spectrum Services</u> In response to data indicating the need for specialized support for students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) at the high school and both middle schools, an agreement with Wesley Spectrum Services would provide the position of intervention specialist. The intervention specialist would consult with the IEP team to design social-emotional supports needed to assist the student in the school setting and to prevent placement outside of the district. Additional, students currently attending out of district placements would access the intervention specialist to transition back to the school district. The cost for the intervention specialist would not exceed \$70,000 for the 2013-2014 school year. The specialist would report to the supervisor of special education and would be supervised by a Wesley Spectrum clinical supervisor which is included in the cost. This position would be funded through ACCESS funds.
- 6. Personal Care Assistant Services Provided by Maxim Staffing Solutions This is a request for the Board to approve an agreement with Maxim Staffing Solutions for the 2013-2014 school year to provide a personal care assistant for a special needs student. The cost of this service is \$16.25 per hour and will not exceed \$22,000 for the school year.
- 7. <u>Simplex Grinnell Contract</u> The Board is asked to approve a contract with Simplex Grinnell to upgrade the door security and camera software systems at all of the elementary and middle schools to be compatible with the new one going into the high school. The software for the existing door and camera security is due for an upgrade due to age and would cost the District about \$47,000. The state contract cost of this project through Simplex Grinnell will be \$41,829 and would make all our building systems accessible and programmable through the same package. With the

new system going into the high school, this is an opportune time make these upgrades. The superintendent recommends approval of this contract.

- 8. <u>Driver Simulator Contract</u> The simulator used to teach our driver's education students is old and no longer able to be repaired. The District proposes to purchase a replacement simulator from L-3 DPA as part of the national bid list General Services Administration (GSA). The price is \$131,593 (PatrolSim V, shipping, extending warranty, and custom scenario builder). Tuition from the driver's education program will pay the cost of this contract in its entirety over the next three to six years. The superintendent recommends approval of this purchase.
- 9. <u>Change Orders for High School Renovation Project</u> The following change orders are presented for Board consideration. All the change orders listed below (totaling \$304,509) have been reviewed by the architect, PJ Dick and the District administration.
 - a. GC-72-151 to Nello for \$10,603 to upgrade adhesive and primer,
 - b. GC-73-152 to Nello for \$5,038 for extra masonry work for rain water conductors and fire extinguisher cabinets,
 - c. GC-74-153 to Nello for \$8,275 to cut two openings in concrete walls,
 - d. GC-75-154 to Nello for \$8,435 to modify pool edge,
 - e. GC-76-155 to Nello for \$17,504 for soffit framing of breezeway,
 - f. GC-77-156 to Nello for \$16,882 for door and hardware changes,
 - g. GC-78-157 to Nello for \$15,757 to laminate corridor side of classroom walls,
 - h. GC-79-158 to Nello for \$1,123 to add window in athletic facility,
 - i. GC-80-159 to Nello for \$22,734 to reconstruct stairwells,
 - j. GC-81-160 to Nello for \$8,509 for fire enclosure,
 - k. ME-11-161 to McKamish for \$10,499 for cooling tower steel bracing and fire damper,
 - 1. ME-12-162 to McKamish for \$41,508 to utilize existing hot and cold water lines.
 - m. ME-13-163 to McKamish for \$11,890 to add isolation valves,
 - n. PL-21-164 to Vrabel for \$8,925 to modify existing floor drains, cooling towers and hot water heater pads,
 - o. PL-22-165 to Vrabel for \$14,369 to maintain existing water feeds,
 - p. EL-41-166 to Farfield for \$11,603 to change power feeds and add electric heater,
 - q. EL-42-167 to Farfield for \$20,437 to modify power in athletic facility and relocate variable frequency drives,
 - r. EL-43-168 to Farfield for \$23,954 to expedite permanent power to new buildings,
 - s. EL-44-169 to Farfield for \$20,842 for miscellaneous electrical changes,
 - t. EL-45-170 to Farfield for \$8,164 for new electrical rooms, and
 - u. EL-46-171 to Farfield for \$17,458 for support for cord reels.

D. <u>Discussion</u>

- 1. <u>PSBA Elections</u> The Board will hold discussion on the PSBA officer candidates for the coming year.
- V. Questions or Comments from Residents Presentations or comments are to be limited to five (5) minutes.

VI. Upcoming Public Meetings

September 16, 2013 – 7:30 p.m. Board Regular Meeting

Jefferson Middle School Library

October 2, 2013 – 5:30 p.m. Policy Committee Meeting

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October 14, 2013 – 7:00 p.m. Construction Update

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October 14, 2013 – 7:30 p.m. Board Discussion Meeting

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October 21, 2013 – 7:30 p.m. Board Regular Meeting

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VII. Adjournment

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