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CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

The board approved submission of PlanCon Part D to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for a new Middletown Area High School, as prepared by the District's architect. The board approved advertisement of the Middletown Area High School project for bid.

Dr. Suski and the Board squelched public rumors that the District is planning to merge with another school district.

AGREEMENTS

The board approved the purchase of 800 internet filter licenses from Bascom Global Internet Services for use with the iPads.

CONTRACTS

The board approved an agreement between Middletown Area High School and the Pennsylvania Department of General Services for use of The Forum for commencement ceremonies on June 4, 2014.

The board approved to contract with Sponaugle Construction Services to provide management services to the District during an anticipated leave of absence of Mr. Meiser.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The board approved the advertisement of the food service management company request for proposal.

RECOGNITIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Jessica Shipkowski, Student of the Month
Terri O'Neil, Educator who has most influenced Jessica Pablo Orellana, Student of the Month
Brian Keyser, Educator who has most influenced Pablo Terri O'Neil, First MASD Teacher to complete National Board Certification
Future Business Leaders of America Leadership Conference Winners: Josh Alcock, Drice Bahajak, Michael Brinton, Charity Cooper, Hope Dehnert, Garrett Deyle, Brandon Harper, Anina-Maria Martin, Alex Mosher, John Ponnett, Christian Roberts, Ashley Royer, and Camryn Shank

Boyer & Ritter, CPA presented a review of the 2012-2013 Audited Financial Statements.

RETIREMENTS

Carl Freeborn, Custodian, effective November 20, 2013

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTS

The board denied a leave of absence request from Katherine Martin, Teacher, for leave without pay from April 8-16, 2014.

APPROVALS

The board approved the advertisement of unused orchestra music to other school districts for purchase.

The board approved the financial statement audit for 2012-2013.

The board approved to offer free breakfasts at the High School during the week of January 6, 2014 to promote the breakfast program and encourage participation.

The board approved an agreement with Conrad Siegel Actuaries to provide benefit consulting services to the District beginning January 1, 2014 at a cost savings over the previous provider.

PARTICIPATIONS

The board approved the continued use of joint purchasing agreements and contracts for the 2014 calendar year.

FIELD TRIPS

The board approved the 5th grade field trip to Philadelphia on May 14, 2014.

EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

The board approved the purchase of twenty science replacement tabletops for the Middle School.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Suski thanked Mr. Franklin for a job well done in preparing for the audit, noting the many hours of night and weekend work required to be fully prepared. She congratulated the High School band and choral students for an outstanding holiday performance the prior evening and announced that Steve Smith was selected by the ACDA as the 2014 Choral Director of Note representing PA.

Dr. Suski said that she had the opportunity to see Heather Radabaugh at the concert and reported that she was doing very well. Dr. Suski also reported that 122 MASD employees contributed 192 sick days to Heather which will cover her leave. Dr. Suski thanked the Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown Church for their donation of \$100 to Communities That Care. She also thanked Phoenix Contact for sponsoring an annual holiday party for district elementary students which was held at Kunkel. One hundred twenty students participated. She noted that winter sports were underway and congratulated the girls' Varsity basketball team for their undefeated record thus far.

Winter Recess: December 23, 2013 – January 1, 2014

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The board approved an open campus environment for mid-term examination administration at the high school on January 17, 20 and 21, 2014.

