

**BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**  
**WALLINGFORD-SWARTHMORE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

**Monday, March 11, 2019**  
**Middle School Library 7:00 p.m.**

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AT THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,  
THE BOARD CONDUCTED THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS

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**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

Dr. Marylin Huff, President  
Dr. Robert Reiger, Vice President - *absent*  
Dr. David Grande, Treasurer  
Ms. Wendy Voet, Assistant Secretary  
Ms. Chapin Cimino  
Dr. Michele Downie  
Mr. Damon Orsetti  
Dr. Richard Sonntag  
Mrs. Kelly Wachtman

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Palmer presented her report to the Board of School Directors and it solely focused on the proposed school calendar. Please view the March 11, 2019 School Board Meeting video that is accessible on the District's website for a complete explanation of how the Administration works through their school year calendar.

**BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Huff announced that the Board of School Directors met in Executive Session prior to this meeting tonight to discuss special education litigation and litigation of identified matter – assessment appeals.

**FOCUS TOPIC**

- **Presentation: Strath Haven Middle School (SHMS): Innovative Design**

*Mr. George King, Principal, Strath Haven Middle School &*

*Mr. Richard Law, Innovative Design Teacher, Strath Haven Middle School*

## **AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO ITEMS FOR ACTION ON THE AGENDA -**

Mr. Ben Hall, 2 Church Road, Wallingford, addressed the Board of School Directors regarding the school calendar and its accessibility. Mrs. Liz Orye, 216 Sykes Lane, Wallingford, thanked Dr. Palmer, Superintendent of Schools, for the detailed explanation of the Administrations' thought process, and all of the planning and consideration that goes into the school year calendar.

## **MINUTES**

The Board of School Directors approved the Minutes of the February 25, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors.

## **PERSONNEL**

The Board of School Directors approved the following retirements and leave of absence:

### Certified Staff

Helen Mangelsdorf, Art Teacher, Swarthmore-Rutledge School, retirement, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year

Jo-Ann Morris-Brady, Spanish Teacher, Strath Haven High School, retirement, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year

### Non-Certified Staff

Christine DeShields, Instructional Support, Strath Haven High School, paid FMLA leave (use of sick and emergency days), on or about, April 22, 2019 through May 3, 2019; unpaid FMLA leave, May 4, 2019 through May 27, 2019

The Board of School Directors approved the following appointment:

### Non-Certified Staff

Judith Robert, Administrative Assistant, Strath Haven Middle School, effective March 6, 2019, replacing Donna Scales

The Board of School Directors approved the additions to the 2018-2019 conferences, as stipulated.

The Board of School Directors approved the additional non-supplemental theater positions for the 2019 spring musical at Strath Haven High School, as stipulated.

The Board of School Directors approved the 2018-2019 Spring Athletic and change to the Activity Supplemental appointment lists, as stipulated.

The Board of School Directors approved the 2019 Elementary and Secondary Summer School Programs appointments, as stipulated.

The Board of School Directors approved the 2018-2019 winter supplemental post season pay, as stipulated.

## **CURRICULUM**

The Board of School Directors approved Related Services Provider Contracts for the 2018-2019 School Year.

The Board approved SHHS student #1955055 for homebound instruction.

The Board of School Directors approved the proposed 2019-2020 school year calendar, as stipulated.

## **FINANCE**

The Board of School Directors authorized Fox Rothschild LLP to enter into an agreement for the property located at 13 Strathmore Court in Nether Providence Township, identified as Folio No. 34-00-02109-06, setting the assessment of the property at \$395,080 for tax year 2019 (school tax year 2019-20) and for each subsequent tax year until a change in the property's assessment pursuant to applicable law.

The Board of School Directors approved a contract with Robert Schoch, School Business Intelligence LLC, for data analysis and modeling, as stipulated.

**AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO ANY OTHER TOPICS – N/A**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

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