DOWNINGTOWN AREA BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting to be held virtually
Wednesday, December 9, 2020
6:30 p.m.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER
B. ROLL CALL
C. PUBLIC INPUT ON ACTION ITEMS – The Downingtown Board of Directors encourages public comment from its citizens. Each community member may speak for a period of no longer than 5 minutes (per BP# 903). Please understand that this is not a time for dialogue with the board; rather the board will listen to all comments and consider them in further deliberations. Our individual e-mail addresses are on the website if you’d like to contact your individual board representative. We ask that you please direct complaints of a personnel nature regarding an individual employee directly to the superintendent.

D. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

1. Applause!! Applause!!
   a. Board Holiday Gift
   b. DASD Art Dept is proud to report that the district wide K-12 visual arts program has been recognized as an Outstanding Visual Arts Community by the Pennsylvania Art Education Association. Only 26 schools in the state qualified for this endorsement which is based on rigor, inclusivity, and accessibility of visual arts programming. DASD was identified for our visual arts programming accomplishments, curriculum at all levels K-12, qualifications of art dept. staff, and art events during the 2019-2020 school year. This honor was extended to the art department as a result of the hard work and application completion of Downingtown Middle School art teacher Holly Meade. In addition, art teacher Laura Roth (MC6GC), was honored as Outstanding Middle Level Art Educator for the PAEA for the 2019-2020 school year. This honor is a proud representation of her dedication to the arts and arts education both locally and state-wide.

   c. For the past thirty-five years, student artists in our high school art classes have created holiday greeting cards to commemorate the season. These cards are then voted on by district staff and the top cards from each school are selected, printed and sold as a fundraiser for the Downingtown Community Education Foundation (http://www.dasd.org/holidaycards). We congratulate the following winning artists of the 2020 DASD Holiday Greeting Card Competition.
      1. West:
         a. Victoria Naftal, Grade 12
      2. East:
         a. Annabelle Sun, Grade 11
         b. Julia Swan, Grade 11
         c. Raya Campbell, Grade 11
     3. STEM:
2. School Update – Dr. Lonardi

3. Illuminate Presentation – Ms. Kelly Byrne

E. REPORTS

1. Student Representatives
   a. Jesslyn Geevarghese
   b. Bevan Watson
   c. Aerin Yoder

2. Student Life Report
   Director Blust

3. Cultural Equity Report
   Director MacNeal

4. DARC
   Director Kring

5. Intermediate Unit
   Director Kring

6. Education Foundation
   Director Gibson

7. Legislative Committee
   Director Gibson

8. Communities That Care
   Vice President Britton

9. Wellness Committee
   Director Ghrayeb

F. OLD BUSINESS

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes
   a. Board Meeting – November 11, 2020
   b. Special Board Meeting – November 24, 2020

2. Approval of Disbursements

3. Approval of Financial Reports
   a. Treasurers Reports
   b. Tax Reports
   c. Budget Reports
   d. Activity Reports
   e. Investment Accounts

4. Personnel
   a. Approval of the Personnel items

   b. Approval of renewal of services with PAREAP for professional staffing
      recruitment postings
      Total Cost: $1,049
      Contract Dates/Length: 1/1/21 – 12/31/21
      Funding Source: Human Resources
      Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

5. Curriculum
   a. Approval of a renewal agreement with ETR Associates for the K-12 HealthSmart online resource
Total Cost: $13,700
Contract Dates/Length: 12/9/20 – 7/14/21
Funding Source: Curriculum Operating
Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

b. Approval of the purchase of a replacement kiln from The Ceramic Shop for Downingtown West High School
Total Cost: $10,456
Contract Dates/Length: N/A
Funding Source: Curriculum Capital
Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

6. Policy
   a. Approval of the following policies
      1. 331 Job Related Expenses
      2. 340 Responsibility for Student Welfare
      3. 705 Facilities and Workplace Safety
      4. AG Administrative Guideline: 705 Facilities and Workplace Safety
      5. 803 School Calendar
      6. AG Administrative Guideline: 803 School Calendar
      7. 904 Public Attendance at School Events
      8. AG Administrative Guideline: 904 Public Attendance at School Events
      9. 907 School Visitors
     10. 1AG Administrative Guideline: 907 School Visitors

7. Finance
   a. Approval for the disposal, sale or donation of items on the attached list
   b. Approval to accept a donation of Mac Computers and Finale Software Licenses for the exclusive use of the East, West, and STEM High School Music Programs, from the Music Parents Association of the Downingtown High Schools
      Donation Value: $28,239.95

8. Facilities
   a. Approval for a Change Order (ADD) to Caldwell Heckles & Egan, General Contractor on the STEM Academy Addition project, for premium only overtime for carpentry work authorized by owner
      Total Cost: $4,292.90
      Contract Dates/Length: Until Project Completion
      Funding Source: Capital Funds
      Budget Year: 2020 – 2021
   b. Approval for a Change Order (ADD) to Caldwell Heckles & Egan, General Contractor on the STEM Academy Addition project, for
additional survey work required to address Campbell Drive design issues and to replace two storm water inlet tops
Total cost: $5,520.01
Contract Dates/Length: Until Project Completion
Funding Source: Capital Funds
Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

c. Approval for a Change Order (ADD) to Caldwell Heckles & Egan, General Contractor on the STEM Academy Addition project, for milling existing asphalt at Stadium driveway to resolve ponding
Total Cost: $7,021.52
Contract Dates/Length: Until Project Completion
Funding Source: Capital Funds
Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

d. Approval for a Change Order (ADD) to Caldwell Heckles & Egan, General Contractor on the STEM Academy Addition project, for masonry costs associated with widening doorways A036, A111 and A202
Total Cost: $7,189.21
Contract Dates/Length: Until Project Completion
Funding Source: Capital Funds
Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

e. Approval for submission of Plancon Part I (Interim Reporting) to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) for the Uwchlan Hills Elementary School new construction. Part I provides for the reporting of change orders and/or supplemental contracts during construction

H. ACTION AGENDA

Personnel Report – Director Wisdom

1. Request approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Downingtown Area Education Association and the Downingtown Area School District regarding pay for class coverage

Curriculum Report – Director Wisdom

1. Request approval of a waiver agreement with the parents of a DASD student (#1728057302)
Total Cost: $25,000
Contract Dates/Length: 12/10/20 – 6/30/24
Funding Source: Special Education
Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

Finance Report – Director Kring
1. Request approval of the District’s June 30, 2020 audited financial statements including fund balances, final budget and fund transfers

2. Request approval of a settlement agreement and full release from disputed tuition payments with Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School for the 2016-17 fiscal year and subsequent fiscal year litigation
   Total Cost: $25,000
   Funding Source: General Fund
   Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

Facilities Report – Vice President Britton

1. Request approval for a Change Order (ADD) to Caldwell Heckles & Egan, General Contractor on the STEM Academy Addition project, for additional site work for unforeseen conditions, unsuitable soil exchange, locating and replacing 2” water line, removing an unknown buried concrete electrical duct bank, and relocating an unknown rain water collector pipe along “C” Section
   Total Cost: $37,312.38
   Contract Dates/Length: Until Project Completion
   Funding Source: Capital Funds
   Budget Year: 2020 – 2021

I. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT REQUIRE THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD

1. Request approval of the attorney-client fee agreement between the Downingtown Area School District and the Frantz Law Group, APLC; Dillon McCandless King Coulter & Graham LLP; and the Levin Legal Group, P.C. to join Juul litigation

2. Request approval of the 2021-2022 and the 2022-2023 District Calendars

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K. INFORMATION

1. School Board Meetings
   In accordance with Act 93 of 1998 (Sunshine Law), the Board of School Directors met on the following dates in executive session to discuss items in one or more of the following areas: personnel, litigation, legal matters confidential information, labor relations, school security, real estate or land acquisition.
   
   November 17, 2020
   December 2, 2020
   December 9, 2020
The next Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2021 starting at 6:30 p.m. Meeting to be held virtually.

The next regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2021 starting at 6:30 p.m. Meeting to be held virtually.

2. Enrollment Report

The attached enrollment report has been submitted from the district database as of December 1, 2020.

L. ADJOURNMENT