

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2014

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Committee of the Whole of the Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Big Spring High School Large Group Room, Room 140, at 7:04 P.M. with President Wilbur Wolf, Jr., presiding. *Five (5) directors present: Wilbur Wolf, Jr., President; William Swanson, Vice-President; Richard Norris, Kingsley Blasco, and Robert Barrick.

Absent – John McCrea, David Gutshall, William Piper, Richard Roush,

Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin C. Roberts Jr, Assistant Superintendent; Richard E. Kerr, Jr., Business Manager; Nicole Donato, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction, Brandie Shatto, Director of Educational Technology and Public Relations, and Carol Kuntz, Board Minutes.

II. PRESENTATION

A. Elementary Report Cards – Mrs. Nicole Donato, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction. Mrs. Donato will provide information to the Board of School Directors on Elementary Report Cards

Specific questions regarding tonight's presentation:

1. Mr. Wolf stated that he has a concern. If they say a child is below proficient. How will a parent know if this child is on schedule to be proficient?

2. Mr. Norris inquired if a two (2) means they are working to achieve the proficient area but they are not there yet.
3. Mr. Blasco asked if they get a three the first time do they have anything else to learn the rest of the year.
4. Mr. Blasco stated that we are not doing this in grades 3, 4, and 5. Is there a reason?
5. Mr. Fry informed the Board they are only doing grades K, 1, and 2. Next year, the second graders will be third graders. The parents will be used to this new standards based report card. Each year we will look to implement a new grade until all elementary students receive a standardized report card.
6. Mr. Swanson made a point with the following scenario: If a student got a zero on the first quiz, then took it again and got 100. Is it an average of the two grades or do they earn the 100?

III. PREVIEW OF THE AGENDA

President Wolf requested that the Board address XII. NEW BUSINESS, A., PERSONNEL CONCERNS, Items A-1 through A-7 as a single action item.

IV. BUILDING & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

No discussion.

V. FINANCE COMMITTEE

No discussion.

VI. DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

No discussion.

VII. BOARD POLICY

No discussion.

VIII. ITEMS FROM FLOOR

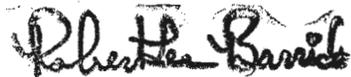
No discussion.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Norris to adjourn, seconded by Swanson to adjourn the meeting to executive session for personnel issues and negotiations. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Barrick, Norris, Swanson, and Blasco. Motion carried unanimously

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert L. Barrick". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Robert L. Barrick, Secretary