

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018

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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 7:13 P.M. with President Wilbur Wolf, Jr. presiding. Eight (8) directors present: Wilbur Wolf, Jr, President; William Swanson, Vice-President; William Piper, Secretary; David Gutshall, Treasurer; Kingsley Blasco; Bob Kanc, Robert Over and Todd Deihl.

Absent – Richard Roush

Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin Roberts Jr, Assistant Superintendent; Richard Kerr, Business Manager; Robyn Euker, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Rick Gilliam, Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation; and Catherine Seras, Board Minutes.

II. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Cumberland Perry Vo-Tech – Mr. Justin Bruhn, Administrative Director of Cumberland Perry AVTS, Anthony Cleary, Grade 12 Electronics, and Andrew Walker, Grade 12 Masonry provided information to the Board of School Directors on Cumberland Perry Vo-Tech.

Mr. Bruhn commented that CPVTS acquires fantastic students from BSSD. Andrew Walker and Anthony Cleary were two BSSD students out of five students to attend a trip to the capital today, which unfortunately was postponed. Mr. Bruhn also thanked Dr. Fry as well as Mr. Wolf and Mr. Piper who are part of the Joint Operating Committee at Vo-Tech.

Andrew Walker, grade 12 spoke about the Masonry program he is in with Vo-Tech.

Anthony Cleary, grade 12 spoke about the Electronics program he is in at Vo-Tech.

Specific questions regarding tonight's presentation:

1. Mr. Wolf asked Andrew what prompted him to choose Masonry at CPVTS?
2. Mr. Swanson asked if Anthony been approached regarding any job offers.
3. Mr. Wolf asked the students how do we encourage other classmates to make the choices you have made?
4. Dr. Fry states that Big Spring is one of the Districts that send all their 8th grade students on a tour to Vo-Tech.
5. Mr. Wolf thanked both students and congratulated them on their accomplishments.
6. Mr. Bruhn followed-up stating that both Andrew and Anthony have the skills that are very marketable and can do very well after graduation. He also stated Vo-Tech offers 22 programs.
7. Mr. Kanc asked if the programs are at maxed capacity?

- B. Best Practices Group** – Mr. William August, High School Principal and Mrs. Nicole Donato, Secondary instructional Coach presented to the Board of School Directors information on Best Practices Group.
[Presentation attached.](#)

The teachers listed below spoke of their experience with Best Practices Group and how it is supporting their own professional growth in support of student achievement.

Ashley Gleeson – Special Education Teacher

Valerie Sauter – Special Education Teachers

Aaron Knapp – Science/Biology Teacher

Kelsey Hernjak – English Teacher

Robert Hanks – English Teacher

Mike Ginter – Math Teacher

Mike Berry – Math Teacher

Specific questions regarding tonight's presentation:

1. Mr. Wolf thanked Mr. August, Mrs. Donato and all teachers present for their enthusiasm and willingness with the program.

III. PREVIEW OF THE AGENDA

President Wolf requested that the Board address XI. NEW BUSINESS, PERSONNEL CONCERNS, Items A-1 through A-5 as a single action item.

IV. BUILDING & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Building and Property Committee recommends to implement the whole building HVAC Commissioning at the Newville Elementary School at the completion of the addition/renovation project to guarantee that the buildings physical plant facilities are operating to the optimum interactive efficiencies for a cost of \$22,220.00 at the recommendation of Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates Architects.

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 Blasco to adjourn, seconded by Swanson to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Swanson, Piper, Gutshall, Blasco, Kanc, Over, and Deihl. Motion carried unanimously 8 – 0.

The meeting was adjourned at **8:25 PM**

William L. Piper, Secretary