

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 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 7:00 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; Richard Roush; Bob Kanc, Robert Over and Todd Deihl.

Absent – Kingsley Blasco

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

II. PRESENTATION

- A. Newville Elementary Construction Technology Projects Updates –**
Mr. Rob Krepps, Questeq Technology Director provided information to the Board of School Directors on technology updates for Newville Elementary.

[Presentation attached](#)

Specific questions regarding tonight's presentation:

1. Mr. Wolf inquired the cost of the smart interactive board. Will one of these be put in every classroom?
2. Dr. Fry reminded the Board of School Directors that we have piloted about 4 different kinds of interactive televisions. We have Mr. Spears at Newville already using one. At Mt. Rock, Ms. Stanton is using one. This is the next step beyond smartboards.
3. Mr. Wolf questioned the life span of the boards.
4. Mr. Piper inquired if the height is adjustable. Teachers are different heights. Will that be an issue for each teacher?
5. Mr. Kanc questioned if the screen is pretty resilient.
6. Mr. Over asked if we only went after one bid with AV solutions.
7. Mr. Piper inquired if this will go through Erate or some special program.
8. Mr. Krebbs reminded the Board that Erate covers infrastructure. We maxed out Erate already preparing for the smart boards.
9. Dr. Fry informed the Board of School Directors that technology can seem overwhelming when you look at individual items. This is 6 percent of the budget. Most building projects plan for 8 percent of their budget for technology.
10. Mr. Kanc questioned if the cost is for an 86 inch or 75 inch screen.
11. Mr. Roush asked if we currently have any of these interactive boards throughout the district. Is our five year goal to have one of these in every classroom?
12. Mr. Roush questioned if the life span of one of these boards is 10 to 12 years.
13. Mr. Kerr reminded the Board of School Directors that this is not part of the budget. We will have to do the same amount next year for Mt. Rock and all expenses will come from capital projects.
14. Mr. Kanc asked if funds are available in capital projects.
15. Mr. Kerr advised the Board you will see the top items at the next board meeting to come from capital projects.

- B. Registration Gateway Updates** – Mr. Rob Krepps, Questeq Technology Director and Dr. Kevin Roberts, Assistant Superintendent presented to the Board of School Directors information on Registration Gateway.

Specific questions regarding tonight's presentation:

1. Dr. Fry reminded the Board that July 1st this will go live for our parents.
2. Mr. Wolf inquired who has access to this system. What information is stored in this system? Is this a secure site?
3. Mr. Kanc inquired if this information is still imputed into our student information system.

- C. Policy Updates – NonSchool Organizations/Groups/Individuals**
Policy 913 – Dr. Richard W. Fry, Superintendent and Dr. Kevin Roberts, Assistant Superintendent presented to the Board of School Directors information on Non-school organizations/Groups/Individuals Policy 913.

III. PREVIEW OF THE AGENDA

President Wolf requested that the Board address XI. NEW BUSINESS, PERSONNEL CONCERNS, Items A-1 through A-6 as a single action item. Also combine and address XI. NEW BUSINESS, Items D, E, & F 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 Swanson to adjourn, seconded by Roush to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Swanson, Piper, Gutshall, Roush, Kanc, Over, and Deihl. Motion carried unanimously 8 – 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM

William L. Piper, Secretary