

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 21, 2022



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1. 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 School District Middle School Auditorium at 7:07 pm with seven (7) Board of School Directors present; William Swanson, Board President; Todd Deihl, Vice President; William Piper, Secretary; Kenneth Fisher, Frank Myers, John Wardle, and Richard Roush

Absent: Alexis Hurley and Robert Over

Others in attendance: Kevin C. Roberts, Jr., Superintendent; William August, Assistant Superintendent; Michael Statler, Business Manager; Caleb Barwin, Accounting Controller; Nicole Donato, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Rob Krepps, Director of Technology; Darrin Baughman, Technology, and Donna Minnich, Board Minutes

2. Presentation:

2.a. Cumberland Perry Area Career and Technical Center

Mr. Justin Bruhn, Administrative Director of Cumberland Perry Area Career and Technical Center, shared updates with the Board and his appreciation of the support Big Spring's Administration and Board of School Directors provide to CPACTC which allows them to continually update and improve their facilities and educational offerings.

Mr. Bruhn introduced Big Spring students Elias Thompson, a student in the Automation, Robotics, and Electronics program and Kensley Shearer, a Healthcare Pathways program student who shared their educational experiences at Cumberland Perry CTC. Both students were honored in December by the Mechanicsburg-North Rotary Club as students of the month.

Mr. Swanson stated the Board has an appreciation of the great relationship between Big Spring School District and Cumberland Perry Area Career and Technical Center. Mr. Bruhn said he looks forward to serving Big Spring students for years to come.

Mr. Myers asked if enrollment numbers in the trades are down and Mr. Bruhn stated student interest is strong and most programs including electrical, carpentry, HVAC, and horticulture are at or near student enrollment capacity.

Mr. Piper stated it has been an honor and pleasure to serve on the Joint Operations Committee for many years and said Mr. Bruhn is doing an outstanding job there. He said there have been a lot of improvements over the years including the new Healthcare Pathways facility that opened this year which has been very well received by students and much needed to prepare students for service in our communities.

Mr. Wardle reiterated Mr. Piper's praise of the excellent programs and offerings by CPACTC and stated that his son graduated from there. He said the opportunities and career choices are tremendous and the quality of education is excellent.

2.b. High School Music Program - Mr. Adam Nobile

Mr. Adam Nobile shared music program updates with the Board and introduced Andrew Malick, Ella Stine, Elizabeth Wilkinson, Elise Eddy, Jane Patterson, Gabriel Nater Padro, and Jady N Klinger who shared their music activities and experiences with the Board of School Directors.

Mr. Nobile stated his appreciation of the support and devotion of the School Board to the music program.

Mr. Swanson thanked everyone for their presentation and invited the jazz band to perform at a future Board meeting stating that the students represent why Board members devote their time and energy to serving in this capacity.

3. Preview of the Agenda - President Swanson requested the Board address item 10 New Business Personnel Items and combine items a through d into one motion.

4. Other Items – Nothing offered

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Finance Committee and the Committee of the Whole by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Piper, Fisher, Myers, Wardle, and Roush

Motion Carried unanimously. 7-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm


William L. Piper