

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 22, 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 nine (9) Board of School Directors present; William Swanson, Board President; Todd Deihl, Vice President; William Piper, Secretary; Frank Myers, Treasurer; Kenneth Fisher, Robert Over, Richard Roush, John Wardle, and Donna Webster

Absent: There were no absences

Others in attendance: Kevin C. Roberts, Jr., Superintendent; Michael Statler, Business Manager; Nicole Donato, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Chris Harris, Solicitor; Rob Krepps, Director of Technology; Darrin Baughman, Technology, and Donna Minnich, Board Minutes

2. Presentation:

2.a. PCCD School Mental Health and School Safety/Security Grant Update – Dr. Kevin C. Roberts, Jr.

Act 55 of 2022: School Mental Health & Safety and Security

Big Spring Funding Allocations

Mental Health Budget Items

Physical Safety Budget Items

Dr. Roberts stated the primary purpose of Act 55 is to provide grants to eligible school entities to support both mental health initiatives and physical school security enhancements.

Mr. Wardle asked if this is a one-time funding opportunity and Dr. Roberts replied yes that it is a one-time funding that would span a couple of years.

Responding to a question from the audience, Dr. Roberts stated funding through Act 55 allotted Big Spring School District \$138,000 but there is still an application process which is subject to approval. Grant applications are reviewed and must meet grant requirements for allowable expenditures even though funds are awarded to the District.

2.b. District Strategic Plan – Dr. Kevin C. Roberts, Jr.

Board of School Directors' Update

Timeline: ThoughtExchange, Youth Truth, District Improvement Committee

Contributing Groups

Big Spring School District Strategic Plan 2022-2028

District Mission Statement

District Vision Statement

Belief Statements

Engagement

Well-Being

Dr. Roberts stated modifications have been made to the Profile of a Graduate based on input and feedback from the contributing groups and said the Strategic Plan focuses on two main areas which are Engagement and Well-Being.

Mr. Wardle said the Strategic Plan will give us a direction to pursue for the next 6 years and Dr. Roberts responded yes and stated there are two plans that drive school districts...the Comprehensive Plan and the tactical plan which is our local Strategic Plan.

Mr. Piper stated the Strategic Plan is a very dynamic and important document with vital information and asked if copies are available. Dr. Roberts stated the existing plan is front and center on our District web page and said the updated document will also be available on our web page.

3. Other Items – Reports

a. District Improvement Committee - Mr. Fisher and Mrs. Webster – Nothing offered

b. Athletic Committee - Mr. Deihl, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Myers, and Mr. Wardle

22-23 Meeting Dates: August 11, October 6, December 7, February 7, March 16, and May 17

c. Cumberland Perry Area Career and Technical Center - Mr. Piper and Mr. Wardle

Mr. Piper shared the new Business Administrator Ryan Wagner started his duties and Assistant Principal Beth Ann Sellers started her duties and said the First Day for students is August 25. Mr. Piper also stated the next meeting is Monday, August 29. Mr. Wardle shared there was a meeting to discuss the building plans to enhance the programs but they do not have figures or a schematic but that will be forthcoming.

d. Building and Property Committee - Mr. Over, Mr. Piper, Mr. Roush, and Mr. Wardle – Nothing offered

Reports (continued)

- e. Finance Committee - Mr. Deihl, Mr. Over, Mr. Piper, and Mr. Myers** – Nothing offered
- f. South Central Trust - Mr. Deihl** – Nothing offered
- g. Capital Area Intermediate Unit - Mr. Swanson** – Next meeting will be Thursday at 8:00 am in Enola.
 - a. July 28, 2022 Meeting Cancelled**

The July 2022 Executive Director's Report (CAIU: ALL IN!) can be found [here](#). The next CAIU Board Meeting is August 25, 2022.

- h. Tax Collection Committee - Mr. Swanson** - Nothing offered
- 14.i. Future Board Agenda Items** - Nothing offered

Mr. Swanson announced the Board met in Executive Session prior to the Committee of the Whole to discuss both legal and personnel matters.

4. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Wardle

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

Motion Carried unanimously. 9-0

Meeting Adjourned at 7:34 pm


