

Southern Fulton School District Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

District Report

Teacher Training

Training for teachers have already been planned for the 2-hour delay that occurs on October 29, 2012.

Field Advertising

Both students have been actively approaching businesses for Field Advertisements.

Reports/Plans Completed

- The Comprehensive Plan is completed; however, the submit button will be activated on Oct 31 at the earliest. The district needs to have two signatures, the superintendent's and the board president. The board president will need to go on the PDE site and register to enable that person to place their electronic signature on the document. Special thanks to Diane Younker, Jon Diffenderfer, and Kathy Cutchall for their help on this task.
- The mandatory Principal/Teacher Evaluation survey to PDE has been completed (due date Oct. 31)

New recording devices for busses

Three new recording devices have been ordered for three busses – that is all we could order due to the amount that was budgeted.

Banners for High School

The two banners have been ordered and delivered. An anonymous donation was given to the district in the amount of \$200.00 for these banners.

Risk and Vulnerability Assessment

I have signed up Southern Fulton School District to receive this assessment through the PA State Police at no cost to the district.

Township supervisors

Contact information has been updated for the new superintendent.

Board Meeting Minutes

As per board policy, Anita has been hard at work preparing board minutes to be bound. Board minutes had not be properly bound since 1996.

Gas Line

The board needs to make a decision by the November board meeting on the gas line proposal.

Thoughts on the Future (for what they are worth)

- Please continue to be a part of PARSS (PA Association of Rural and Small Schools)
- A list has been compiled for the acting superintendent with appropriate contact information

High School Report

Musical “Happy Days”

THIS WEEKEND: Reminder that the high school musical, Happy Days will run two performances, October 19th & 20th. There will be a concession stand in the cafeteria with all proceeds from the sale of refreshments being donated for Breast Cancer Awareness on one evening and the high school band will benefit from concessions on the other evening. Ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. Show time is 7:00 p.m. on both evenings. Come and see the fabulous show! The elementary students were treated to a performance on Tuesday, October 16 and the high school will view the show on Thursday, October 18.

PHEAA/Caps Grant

While the funds have technically been cut for this program, Juniata College is going to continue to aid Southern Fulton High School students with the financial aid process and admission information. One of the AMAZING things that came out of the program last year is the publication of Jordyn Rider’s article, “A Student’s Insight Into the CAPS Program”.

Ways 2 \$Ave

Mr. Duncan and some of the 8th grade students are applying for a grant sponsored by West Penn Power. They must create their own original video demonstrating unique ways to save electricity and/or correct electricity wasting habits. The first prize winner receives \$20,000 for their school. Parent permission is being obtained to participate in this grant, as videos must but submitted quickly for a notification by December 10, 2012. Wish them GOOD LUCK!

Homebound Instruction

There is one student on homebound instruction.

UPCOMING DATES

- **October 22-27 FFA National Convention**
- **October 23 –Seniors to Antietam Battlefield with Mellotts**
- **October 25 – 9- 10:15 Olweus Student Kick Off**
- **October 26 – Period 1 – Bullying Meeting with Groups**
- **October 27 – Parade – Alsatsia Mummer’s Parade**
- **October 29 – PSSA Retake Seniors**
- **October 29 – Parade – Mercersburg Parade**
- **October 30 – PSSA Retake Seniors**
- **October 30 – School Picture Make Up Day**
- **October 30 – Health Career Fair in McConnellsburg**
- **October 30 – 10:30 a.m. Gettysburg College Rep Here**
- **October 31 – ACM Tour**
- **October 31 – Parade- Hancock**
- **November 1 – FFA – AFFY Fall CDES**
- **November 1 – PSSA Retake Seniors**
- **November 1 – National Guard Presentation 8th & 9th Grade History Class**
- **November 5 – Grade 11 and Sports Physicals 8-12p.m.**
- **November 8 – 5-9p.m.. Breast Cancer Awareness Volleyball Charity Game**
- **November 10 – 5K Make-A-Wish @ SF; Melanie Deneen’s senior project**
- **November 13 – 1st period; Mellott Presentation to Seniors**
- **November 17 – Parades – Greencastle, Waynesboro, Chambersburg**
- **Parent Teacher Conferences – 11/20 Regular School Day; Conferences 4 - 7:30p.m.; 11/21 8:00-11:30 a.m.**

Elementary Report

Events

September 28: Olweus Anti-Bullying Program Kick-Off event with Trooper McGarvey

October 2: PVAAS Training (Tuscarora IU 11 training)-Kathy Cutchall and Michele Auker

October 8: Federal Programs Training (Central IU12training)- Theresa Corle

October 12: Members of the Needmore Volunteer Fire Department visited with PreK and Kindergarten students to celebrate National Fire Safety Week.

Other Information

Our PreK Validation meeting was held on October 12, 2012 with our program specialist.

Building Use Requests

None

Upcoming Events

October

19	No School-Teacher In-Service
22-26	National School Bus Safety Week Scholastic Book Fair Red Ribbon Week
23	End of Marking Period One
26	Fall Parties
29	2 Hour Delay for Students for Teacher Training Rada/Sheetz PTA Fundraiser ends
30	Picture Retakes

November

4	Daylight Saving Time Ends
5	PTA Meeting 6:30 PM Elementary Library
12	Veteran's Day Assembly afternoon
12-16	PTA Santa Shop
16	Parent Luncheon
17	National Young Reader's Day
20-21	Parent-Teacher Conferences-11/20 Conferences from 4-7:30p.m.; 11/21 Conferences from 8:00-11:30 a.m.

Federal Programs Report

I attended a required Federal Programs Training at IU 12 on October 8 2012. Updated guidelines and new information on comparability reporting were reviewed.

Facilities Manager Report

Winterizing Buildings

We are in the process of winterizing the buildings, such as, replacing exterior door sweeps that are worn out, new weather seals on overhead door jambs in the welding shop and mechanical room at the elementary, and insulating the space between the west wall and the roof decking in the welding shop.

Storage Shed/Garage

The storage shed/garage will be getting a coat of roof coating this week, weather permitting.

Business Manager Report

Reports completed and submitted

- * Transportations Reports PDE-1049 and PDE-2049 for the 2011-12 SY
- * Pre-K Quarter Report for 9/30/11
- * Child Nutritional Financial Report

Financial Recovery Early Warning System Data Collection

On Monday, October 10th, 2012, Mrs. Trail and I received an email from PDE requesting each school district to complete a “Financial Recovery Early Warning System Data Collection” report. The primary goal of the EWS is to identify and provide technical assistance to school districts to prevent them from becoming a Financial Recovery Status school district. Deadline to submit is October 31, 2012. The information needed to complete this report will be taken from the recently completed audit and Annual Financial Report. Since our auditor has just completed the audit and is in the process of completing the AFR, he has agreed to assist me in completing this report.

Technology Specialist Report

SF Website

With the help of the IU, I’m in the process of creating a new SF website. Once completed (targeting completion no later than Christmas), it will allow for multiple people to be able to update parts of it (e.g., principals will be able to update the calendar). Our existing website was created via a program called Frontpage 2003. It is no longer supported and only people with this program installed on their computer can update the website which at this time is only me.

Supervisor of Special Education Report

Special Education Plan

The Special Education Plan is complete and now part of the Comprehensive Plan for the school district.

Agency Update

I have attended several appeal meetings, for TSS services (therapeutic support staff) for several students. The outcome of the first meeting was positive. CBHNP agreed that TSS services were needed. Several other requests are currently under review, data collection was taken by the school district as an effort to demonstrate a need for mental health services in the school.

Meetings in and out of the district

Since the beginning of the year I have attended more than ten meetings out of the district. The majority of these meetings are held in Bedford. CBHNP (Children's Behavioral Health National Program) holds meetings on all students who provide services to our students. The review meetings are held approximately every three months. Typically, I attend most meetings via speaker phone; however, there are some meetings that I feel it is in the best interest of all if I attend in person.

Penn Data Reporting

Deadlines to get all paperwork completed will be November 9, 2012. All paperwork must be submitted to the IU, before Thanksgiving Break. This will be the final year that the state will use two separate systems to ensure that students are not eliminated for state reimbursement. Beginning next year all information will flow through PIMS. Connie is instrumental in carrying out all downloads and data entry for Penn Data. Through her diligent and meticulous work, our district has had compliments from IU 11 for submitted reports that require little to no revisions. With greater responsibility being placed into PIMS, I can see a need for Connie to have a separate location to work, which is free of distractions.

Medical Access

A new agency has taken over Medical Access billing, PCG Education. Leaders was our previous carrier and as of October 1, 2012 they no longer are over Pennsylvania's billing. Connie and I have not received training in the new system yet, which has prevented us from carrying out the billing. As soon as we have the training we will begin billing for services in which we have been granted parent permission. At this time there are more questions than answers on how this program is going to work and what our expectations are going to be with PCG. PCG is creating their own regulations, in addition to the state mandates. (*Building the ship as it is sailing.*)

Transportation

Weekly contacts with Corey Snyder have occurred since the first week of school. There have been changes that had to be made each and every week since school began. Adding students to the alternative school route and adding new students to transportation.