

ASD Board Brief

Summary of the latest meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Abington School District

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Approval Highlights:

Personnel – Financial Report – Permits for Use of Buildings and Grounds – Advertisement for Bids – Awards of Contracts – Agreements with the YMCA – Election of Treasurer – Solicitor Reappointment – Request for Act 80 Exception

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Honors

- Dr. Jeffrey Fecher congratulated Abington Senior High School and Eastern Center for Arts and Technology Veterinary Science student, Kelly Gibson, for earning a bronze medal in the job skill demo open at the SkillsUSA State Competition, held last month in Hershey, PA.
- Dr. Lyndsay Morgan shared a 6abc Action News video covering Rydal Elementary School's special persons day.
- Dr. Marie Kim shared a 6abc Action News video about McKinley Elementary School's Kiwanis Kids carnival, which raises money to send students to a service learning leadership camp.
- Dr. Kim also congratulated Ms. Jennifer Tanay, APEX teacher at McKinley Elementary School, on being named a recipient of this year's Educator Award in the 2019 Milestones Award program from the Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership.
- Dr. Kelly Doyle, Supervisor of Elementary Communication Arts, and Raymond McGarry, Esquire, Board President, recognized the 16 recipients of this year's "Silver Pen" awards, honoring outstanding student writers across the District's seven elementary schools, thanks to grant funding provided by the Abington Educational Foundation.

Personnel

- The Board approved a change of status for Dr. Marie Kim, Principal of McKinley Elementary School, who has completed all requirements and earned her doctorate degree.
- Further, the Board approved the retirement of Mr. John "Woody" McGoldrick, a custodian at Abington Senior High School, who has served the District for 50 years.

Advertisement for Bids

The Board authorized advertisement for bids for evacuation chairs for Abington Junior and Abington Senior high schools and Copper Beech, Highland, Overlook, and Roslyn elementary schools.

Awards of Contracts

- The Board awarded two contracts:
 - Hillyard/Delaware Valley for custodial supplies, which include cleaning chemicals and floor finishing products
 - SHI International Corp. for email security software for the 2019-2020 school year

Miscellaneous Items

- The Board authorized the Administration to execute the following agreements:
 - A two-year extension of the lease agreement with the Abington YMCA for the after-school and weekend use of the Abington Senior High School pool during the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years, which have been adjusted to accommodate the construction schedule for the Abington Senior High School Additions and Renovations Project.
 - An agreement for the Abington YMCA's use of facilities at Copper Beech Elementary School to operate a camp during the summer of 2019.
- The Board elected Mr. Michael F. Czerwonka as Treasurer of the Abington School District for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- The Board appointed Kenneth A. Roos, Esquire, of Wisler Pearlstine, as the Solicitor for Abington School District for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- The Board authorized the Superintendent to request the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) to approve Act 80 exception days for the 2019-2020 school year. This permits the District to use in-service days or parent/guardian conferences that impact the educational program as a method to account for additional days of instruction in the event of weather-related or other emergency situations during the 2019-2020 school year.

Next Board Meeting

June 11, 2019, 7:30 p.m., Board Room of the Administration Building

REMINDER:**The last day of school is Monday, June 17, 2019**

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