Approval Highlights:

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Honors
• Mr. Angelo Berrios recognized Abington Senior High School student Orie Zaga, who was named the Eastern Center for Arts and Technology September Student of the Month, where he is enrolled in the commercial art program. The Student of the Month Award is sponsored by EASTERN’s faculty, Joint Committee and the Willow Grove Rotary Club to highlight student excellence, success and service.
• Ms. Allie Artur, Communications Coordinator, highlighted Abington, Pennsylvania’s recent ranking on the MONEY list of the “Best Places to Live” in the U.S., citing its basis on more than 160,000 data points, such as diversity, quality public schools, average income, cost of living—including tax burden—and more. Ms. Artur also shared a FOX 29 News video about the recognition.

Personnel
• The Board approved the appointment of Mr. Michael Carroll as an Instructional Coach in the Teaching and Learning Department, with an effective date to be determined.
• The Board also approved the retirements of:
  - Mr. Nicholas Albanese, a bus driver, who has served the District for 11 years
  - Ms. Bettie Carson, a paraprofessional at Copper Beech Elementary School, who has served the District for 22 years
  - Mr. Keith Pearce, a day line custodian at Abington Junior High School, who has served the District for 35 years
  - Ms. Renee Royal, a bus monitor, who has served the District for 11 years

Permits for Use of Buildings and Grounds
• The Board approved permits for the use of District buildings and grounds, including regular meetings and annual events for the 2019-2020 school year, such as:
  - Overlook Elementary School's Fall Festival, scheduled for Saturday, October 12, 2019
  - The Abington Senior High School Key Club's annual Breast Cancer Awareness Month football game fundraiser on October 18, 2019 at Schwarzman Stadium
  - Copper Beech Elementary School's Fall Festival and Pizza Night to be held on October 25, 2019
  - Roslyn Elementary School's performance of The Lion King, Jr., to be held on February 20 and 21, 2020
  - Highland Elementary School's performance of The Lion King, Jr., to be held on March 13 and 14, 2020
  - The Abington School District 2020 Arts Fest, running March 24-26, 2020, in the Administration Building gymnasium
  - The Abington Educational Foundation's Harlem Wizards basketball game fundraiser to be held on March 28, 2020 in the gymnasium at Abington Senior High School

Advertisement for Bids
The Board authorized advertisement for bids for a wheelchair-equipped student transportation bus to add to the Transportation Department’s existing fleet.

Report of the Superintendent
Dr. Jeffrey Fecher reported he received a letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) regarding the District's compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Dr. Fecher recognized the hard work of both the Student Services Department and Special Education staff, under the leadership of Ms. Judy Bomze and Ms. Regina Rausch, as well as the principals and the special education teachers.

Next Board Meeting
October 15, 2019, 7:30 p.m., Board Room of the Administration Building
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