



# Wednesday Morning

Highlights of Tuesday Evening's Abington School Board Meeting  
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**WEDNESDAY MORNING AND MATERIALS PRESENTED AT SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS  
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## **SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN AT LAST NIGHT'S SCHOOL BOARD MEETING:**

**The School Directors approved:** The Preliminary General Fund Budget for 2018-2019 ... Advertisements for Bids and Award of Contract ... Personnel Appointments and Changes ... The District's Financial Report and Payment of Bills ... Permits for Buildings and Grounds Use

**BOARD ORIENTATION** ... **2018-2019 Projected Enrollment and Staffing, and the Preliminary General Fund Budget** ... Dr. Sichel, Mr. Lionetti, and Dr. Fecher presented and reviewed the proposed Preliminary General Fund Budget last night. The presentation projected student enrollment and staffing for the 2018-2019 school year and the proposed Preliminary General Fund Budget, conforming to the state's 2.4% index, plus two referendum exceptions for special education and pension costs. The Preliminary General Fund Budget is planned for adoption at the February 13, 2018 meeting with final adoption of the budget planned for the June 12, 2018 meeting. Last night's presentation can be viewed via BoardDocs, available on the District's website.

**REPORTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT** ... Effective as of last night's Board meeting, on Monday afternoons prior to the scheduled Tuesday evening Board meeting, the anticipated Honors and Orientations slated for the upcoming agenda will be posted to the Abington School District website under "Recent Postings."

**BOARD HONORS** ... Mr. File introduced news clips from 6abc Action News and CBS 3 Eyewitness News, covering the science fair at Abington Junior High School. The news clips can be viewed with the BoardDocs materials from last night's meeting.

**ANNOUNCED HONORS** ... Dr. Sichel congratulated the six Abington Senior High School students who attend Eastern Center for Arts and Technology and received awards at the annual SkillsUSA District 2 Career and Technical Student Organization Leadership Conference this fall. Among Abington's honorees was Commercial Art senior Gabriella Ott, who received numerous honors, including: "District 2 Outstanding Student of the Year," as well as first place in the "2018 Pin Design" category, and third place in both the "Team Report" and "Door Sign" categories. Several students also served on the winning teams of the "Notebook" category, including: Business and Technology professional Alimah Kasumu, Veterinary Science student Mariah Walters, and Construction Technology senior Charles Mandel, who were among the second place winners; Business and Technology professional Jessica Lademann and Automotive Technology junior Christopher Shaw were part of the third-place winning team.

**BOARD AUTHORIZES ADVERTISEMENTS FOR BIDS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT** ... The Board authorized advertisements for bids for network switches and uninterruptible power supplies at Abington Junior High School. The Board awarded a contract to Kaser Mechanical, LLC for emergency boiler utility extensions at Abington Junior High School.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** ... (meetings at the Administration Building, unless otherwise noted)

Next Board Meeting:

January 23, 2018

7:30 p.m.

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