

Wednesday, November 12, 2008

NASD School Board News

◆ ◆ ◆ an E-report for all NASD employees

**The North Allegheny School District
Board of School Directors
met tonight at 7:30 PM for a Work Session
in the CAO Board Room.**

- All Board members were in attendance. In addition, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Patricia Green; District Solicitor, Mr. Lucas; the Superintendent's Executive Council; and Mr. Hamm and Ms. Peng, student representatives, were present.



AGENDA

7:30 WORK SESSION

- Community Relations
- Review of Board Folder
- Speakers (Non-agenda Items)

8:30 EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

There were no residents who came forward to address the Board.

Mr. Devlin stepped forward to make a special presentation to the Board upon Mrs. Bishop's introduction. He explained that a citation was delivered to him yesterday --- Veteran's Day -- by Captain Bill McClelland, a Social Studies teacher at NAI and a member of the National Guard. The citation is in recognition of the District's commitment and support of all of the members of the Army National Guard. Mr. Devlin presented the citation to Mrs. Bishop, who circulated it to the Board for their inspection. She also thanked Captain McClelland and the National Guard for this honor.

REVIEW OF BOARD FOLDER

The Board engaged in a review of the Board folder, which contains the items upon which they will take action during next week's Regular Voting Session.

As a part of the review of the Property and Supplies Report, Roger Botti, Director of Assets, Transportation and Technology, presented a brief explanation of the Administration's recommendation to approve the easement agreement with AdVenture Development, LLC, and the related temporary construction easement agreement. These agreements provide the ability for changes to the hillside near McKnight Elementary School to move forward that will create the following advantages for the District:

- It will address current problems with poor soil on the hillsides.
- It will improve drainage.
- It will provide access around the building.
- It will be maintained by the developer.
- It will reduce the height and slope of the hillside.
- Fencing will be installed on the top of the hill.
- It will be a double wide and double density landscape buffer.

Work on this site will take place during the summer when classes are not in session.

The Student Representatives presented an update of recent and upcoming student activities.

Ms. Peng thanked the Board for the new lockers at NAI. They are almost entirely installed and students are appreciating them.

Mrs. Bishop mentioned that the North Allegheny School District Marching Band was recently named "Band of the Week" on WPXI and is now eligible for "Band of the Year." She urged the community to log their votes of support on the WPXI website.

Mrs. Ludwig thanked the Marching Band for participating in the several neighborhood parades at Halloween that they consistently make time for in their schedule. She noted that this is especially enjoyed by the young children in local areas.

Of note, there are two new Board policies that will appear for their first readings next week. They are Board Policy #3585 Anti-Bullying and Board Policy #4160 Right-to-Know Requests.

SPEAKERS

There were no residents who came forward to address the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

The Board met in Executive Session following this meeting to discuss a personnel matter with respect to administrative employees.

**The next meeting of the NA Board of School Directors
is scheduled for November 19, 2008,
and will be held in the Board Room at CAO.**

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Display copies of Board Books are available at each building and department office. Copies of the complete Board Report folder are available through the Board secretary's office, as well as copies of the various reports presented.

For information about the Board meeting schedule, please refer to the NA website www.northalleghey.org.

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This update is provided by the Director of Communications and Public Relations immediately following the actual meeting.

For a copy of the Official Minutes of the meeting, please contact the North Allegheny School Board Secretary, Rose Mary Ryan, at 412/369-5437 or ryan@northalleghey.org.