# Hazleton Area School District Special School Board Meeting Minutes 6:00 P.M., Thursday, January 5, 2012 Large Group Instruction Room, Hazleton Area Career Center

A. Call to Order by Board President Earley: 6:13 P.M.

- **B.** Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence
- C. Attendance Roll Call

School Director	Present	Absent
Bonomo	X	
Childs	X	
Earley	X	
Hahn	X	
John	X	
Mehalick	X	
Wallace	X	
Yanac	X	
Yenkevich	X	

Administrator	Present	Absent
Francis X. Antonelli	X	
Anthony Ryba	X	
Robert Krizansky	X	
Donald Bayzick	X	
Solicitor Slusser	X	

- **D.** Public Comment on Agenda Items:
- There were no interested parties for public comment on agenda items.

#### Presentation by Mrs. Marie Ernst

• Marie Ernst presents a cost analysis for the pilot program for STEM School.

# **District's Options for Buildings**

#### **OPTION #1**

- A building in the CAN DO Corporate Center, Drums becomes a science technology, engineering and mathematic magnet school for grades nine through twelve.
- The former Bishop Hafey High School becomes a Ninth-Grade Center.
- The current Ninth-Grade Center, the former Hazle Elementary School, reverts to an elementary school.

# OPTION #2

- The CAN DO building becomes a technology-focused learning center for grades nine through twelve.
- The Hafey building houses a school with a modified magnet curriculum of just science, engineering and mathematics.
- The current Ninth-Grade Center becomes a kindergarten-through eighth grade facility.

# OPTION #3

- The CAN DO building becomes a science, technology, engineering and mathematics magnet school for grades nine through twelve.
- The Hafey building becomes a kindergarten through eighth grade school.
- The Ninth-Grade Center stays the same as it is.

#### OPTION #4

• The CAN DO building becomes technology focused learning center for grades nine through twelve.

- The Hafey building becomes a kindergarten through eighth grade school.
- The current Ninth-Grade Center houses a school with a modified magnet curriculum of just science, engineering and mathematics.
- Ninth grade students are distributed among classrooms at the technology center in Drums, the magnet school at Hafey, and the existing Career Center and High School.

### **Discussion By Board**

• The Board discusses the available options and concerns regarding STEM Program, New Additions, Hafey Building, and Ninth Grade Center.

#### New Motion

• Hahn & Mehalick moved to have the STEM Program located at the CAN DO Building. (Option #3A)

#### **Public Comment on Motion**

• There were no interested parties for public comment on new motion.

### Agenda Item #1

1. Recommend Board approve the CAN DO building in Drums to become a (STEM) science, technology, engineering and mathematics magnet school for grades nine through twelve. (APPROVED)

### The following vote includes agenda item(s): 1

Motion: Hahn Second: Mehalick Vote: Voice

School Director	"Yes" Votes	"No" Votes	Abstain	Absent
Bonomo	X			
Childs	X			
Earley	X			
Hahn	X			
John	X			
Mehalick	X			
Wallace	X			
Yanac	X			
Yenkevich	X			

#### New Motion

• Hahn and Bonomo moved to have Hafey become a kindergarten through eighthgrade school with an addition. (Option #3B)

# **Public Comment on Motion**

• There were no interested parties for public comment on new motion.

# Agenda Item #2

2. Recommend Board approve the Hafey Building to become a kindergarten through eighth grade school. (APPROVED)

# The following vote includes agenda item(s): 2

Motion: Hahn Second: Bonomo Vote: Roll Call

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School Director	"Yes" Votes	"No" Votes	Abstain	Absent
Bonomo	X			
Childs		X		
Earley	X			
Hahn	X			
John	X			
Mehalick	X			
Wallace		X		
Yanac		X		
Yenkevich	X			

# New Motion

• Hahn and Wallace moved to have the Ninth-Grade Center to remain as is. (Option #3C)

# **Public Comment on Motion**

• There were no interested parties for public comment on new motion.

# Agenda Item #3

3. Recommend Board approve the Ninth-Grade Center to remain the same as it is. (APPROVED)

### The following vote includes agenda item(s): 3

Motion: Hahn Second: Wallace Vote: Roll Call

<b>School Director</b>	"Yes" Votes	"No" Votes	Abstain	Absent
Bonomo	X			
Childs		X		
Earley	X			
Hahn	X			
John	X			
Mehalick	X			
Wallace	X			
Yanac	X			
Yenkevich		X		

#### Public Comment on Any Item

• Crabtree Rohrbaugh & Associates Architect, Harry Pettoni comments on posting information on the District website for community involvement.

# <u>Motion to Adjourn</u>

Motion to adjourn: (APPROVED)

# The following vote includes motion to adjourn: (7:25 P.M.)

Motion: Hahn Second: Mehalick Vote: Voice

School Director	"Yes" Votes	"No" Votes	Abstain	Absent
Bonomo	X			
Childs	Χ			
Earley	X			
Hahn	X			
John	X			
Mehalick	X			
Wallace	X			
Yanac	Χ			
Yenkevich	X			

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