

Board Summary for HMHS Community June 27, 2008

Commendations: List of names for Academic, Theatrical and Music Events will be sent out in a blast via email. For the Athletics commendations, a number of students and their parents were in attendance and publicly recognized for their outstanding achievements.

Student Representative Report:

Matthew Chalkley: At the teacher's discretion, some students who were in grade 11 AP classes did not have to take finals for this school year. In the past, this was an exemption limited to seniors.

Committee Reports

*Curriculum Committee: Met on the 17th of June: Updates, Mandates and Curriculum Connections are the themes for each meeting.

*Garden State Coalition will meet on July 16th.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Alan Fegley, Superintendent reviewed the District Goals 2007-2008 and reported on significant progress:

1. "We will strengthen parent and community ownership of Haddonfield Public Schools" Progress: Highest graduation attendance, There were 18 e-news newsletters in addition to the usual budget newsletter this year; Thursday Flyer process for elementary schools where communication bulletins are bundled and sent out in one mailing, Municipal Alliance collaboration; increase in number of volunteers to serve on curriculum audit teams and the formation of the Community Budget Advisory and the Community Talent Pool recruitment is underway.

2. "We will invigorate the student centered learning environment and strengthen the acceptance of all student in each school" In elementary schools "really there" grades 3, 4, 5 student led conferences, "moving up linkages" between two teachers from one grade to another; middle school advanced course placement course offering and improved transition process into grade 9. In the high school: analyzing student life surveys [90-94% participation rates; 2nd time same survey so comparative data available; added high school courses; refocused administration through personnel changes; 3 audits ongoing.

New Teachers for the 2008-2009 School Year

Mr. Brennan Coughlin, Social Studies Teacher, Haddonfield Memorial High School, BA + 15 Step 6 @ \$49,300, effective September 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, repl. Dr. Burns.

Mr. Michael Romea, Chemistry and Physics teacher, Haddonfield Memorial High School, BA Step 13 @ \$67,000, effective September 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, repl. Mr. Kinsey.

Ms. Donna Tedesco, Biology and Chemistry teacher, Haddonfield Memorial High School, MA Step 9 @\$56,450, effective September 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, repl, Mr. Ackley.

From June 12th Board Meeting

Mr. Christopher Wasniewski, Science Teacher, HMHS, MA + 45 Step 1,@ \$50,500 effective September 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, repl. M. Barth

Ms. Jessa Miller, English Teacher, HMHS, BA Step 1 @ \$46,500, effective September 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, repl, S. Lazapino.

L. Banos hired for “ 2008-2009 school year with reservation, pursuant to said Reemployment Agreement” Two issues will be monitored and addressed this school year: Mr. Banos’s certification and specific performance issues. Performance issues center on his required assignments to observe and supervise staff for the 2008-2009 school year, to accept supervision to do this work and to be responsive to parent questions and concerns as they arise.

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