



# Board of Education COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAY 9, 2019

## Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee

*The Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee met on May 6, 2019, to discuss the 2019-2020 Budget, capital improvements, energy savings, and other projects:*

1. **2019-2020 Budget:** The 2019-2020 Budget was approved by the County Superintendent and adopted at the April 25, 2019 Business Meeting.
2. **Capital Projects:** Grandview Classroom addition is on target for August 2019 completion. Other work currently in process includes new entrance doors at five schools, pavement and concrete replacement at PHS, dropped ceiling installation at PHS, new fencing at four schools, and the Transportation Building roof replacement. The Business Office and Facilities Department are currently planning summer maintenance projects.
3. **School Marquees:** Marquees are installed at all K-8 schools with Township Building Department inspection and software training underway.
4. **Cenergistic Energy Savings:** The district is in the start-up phase with energy conservation company Cenergistic to explore and implement energy saving strategies.
5. **Transportation:** Subscription Busing opened on May 1, 2019; the cost remains \$425. The Business Office recommended renewing Layla Transportation's contract for 2019-2020 and is reviewing their camera and communication system. Planning for non-public school student transportation routes is underway for 2019-2020.
6. **Food Services:** The District has put out a Request for Proposals for a Food Service Management Company for the 2019-2020 school year.
7. **Substitutes and Paraprofessionals:** Requests for Proposals will go out for vendors to provide Substitute Teachers and Paraprofessionals for the 2019-2020 school year.

## Policy/Legislative Committee

*The Policy/Legislative Committee met on Thursday, May 2, 2019, to review the 9000 Series of the Strauss Esmay Policy Manual and to review recent legislative developments of interest to the District.*

1. **Review of Policy 8561 "Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs":** The Committee reviewed an updated version of Strauss Esmay Policy 8561 that would bring the district into compliance with U.S. Department of Agriculture standards for our food service operation. The Committee approved the policy as presented for review by the Board of Education on first reading at the May 9, 2019 meeting.
2. **Review of the 9000 Series of the Strauss Esmay Policy Manual:** The Committee reviewed and discussed the Strauss Esmay 9000 series, with written input from District Administration. The 9000 series was approved by the Committee with the following modifications:
  - The Committee agreed upon changes to the language of: Policies 9100 ("Public Relations"), 9120 ("Public Relations Program"), (School Organization), 9150 ("School Visitors"), 9190 ("Community Organizations") to bring them into agreement with current District policy and practice.
  - The Committee approved policy 9541 ("Student Teachers/Interns") subject to Mr. Rubin confirming that its provisions agree with current District practice.
  - The Committee recommended against adopting Strauss Esmay Policies 9130 ("Public Complaints and Grievances") and 9140 ("Citizens Advisory Committees"), and 9240 ("Rights of Parents) as the provisions of these policies were either covered elsewhere in policy language or current district practice or were inconsistent with current statutory requirements.
3. **Legislative Update:** Governor Murphy signed into law A-4342/S-2855, which permits school districts to require K-12 public school students to carry identification cards at school-sponsored, off-campus activities.