



Board of Education COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

Culture, Climate & Community Relations

The Culture, Climate & Community Relations Committee met on August 20, 2019 to review the accomplishments of 2018-2019, and to set goals for the coming year.

- **Goal 1:** To continue sharing Positive Messages in the schools, with a focus first on continuing this program in our other middle schools.
- **Goal 2:** To continue building our partnerships with colleges and universities, particularly Rutgers, and to develop partnerships within our community with professional organizations such as IEEE, and corporations such as AT&T.
- **Goal 3:** To develop and implement volunteer outreach for school and district events and other needs. The committee discussed reaching out to PTOs for idea sharing and developing best practices, as well as individual outreach. Committee members suggested a “recruit three friends to volunteer” as a potential approach to recruit. Volunteer outreach will continue to be on school and district websites, as well as through social media.

The Committee discussed and approved moving the future meeting start time up to 6:30pm.

Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee

The Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee met on September 9, 2019 to review the audit schedule, capital projects, maintenance work, the energy savings program, and other ongoing projects.

- 1) Audit:** Auditors have begun their onsite financial review for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.
- 2) 2020-2021 Budget Calendar:** The Committee reviewed the budget calendar.
- 3) Capital Projects:** The Committee reviewed the five capital projects that were substantially completed over the summer: Grandview classroom addition; new entrance doors at five schools; transportation building roof; dropped ceiling installation; and paving/concrete project at PHS.
- 4) School Marquees:** All K-8 schools marquees are operational. The PHS marquee project has begun.
- 5) Summer Projects:** Maintenance work completed for September 2019 took place at all 10 schools with major projects including floor tile replacements in over 25 rooms, two school media centers and the PHS Patton Cafeteria; PHS Patton gym floor refinished; painting of hallways and 1500 lockers.
- 6) Cenergistic:** The initial phase of energy usage data analysis is nearing completion and cost avoidance recommendations are in process.
- 7) Transportation:** School opening bus operations went well. Subscription busing wait list review is underway.
- 8) Food Services:** The administration is awaiting the procurement audit report.
- 9) Wellness Committee:** A staff wellness fair followed convocation and was well attended and well received.
- 10) Business Office:** The Association of School Business Officials awarded Piscataway a “Certificate of Excellence” in financial reporting.