



Board of Education COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARCH 22, 2018

Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee

The Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee met on March 6, 2018 to review the budget calendar and building projects:

1. **2018 - 2019 Budget:** State aid amounts will be released on March 15, 2018. Budget preparation is ongoing and on track to have a preliminary budget to the County by March 29, 2018.
2. **Schools Development Authority (SDA) Regular Operating District (ROD) Grant Local Share Projects:** PHS bathroom upgrades in the Patton Building and one bathroom in the Anthony Building are complete. Completion of the three Anthony building restrooms is expected by June 2018.
3. **Transportation:** Planning for non-public school student transportation routes are underway for the 2018-2019 school year.
4. **Food Services:** The Committee reviewed the new PHS Breakfast Cart, sponsored by the Dairy Council and Pepsico. Sodexo applied for the grant.
5. **School Marquees:** The Business Office recommended design options for new school marquees and will prepare cost estimates before going out to bid.

Culture, Climate & Community Relations

The Culture, Climate & Community Relations Committee met for the first time on February 20, 2018 to review the new committee's mission and pending projects:

1. **Key Communicator Program:** The committee reviewed the Key Communicator concept for new members. The administration will begin to rollout communications in March.
2. **Community Schools:** The Committee recognized that Piscataway Schools is already aligned in many ways to the community schools model and discussed ways to present information, both physically in schools and virtually, on the district website.
3. **Town-hall style meeting:** The Committee continued discussions of a town-hall style meeting in the next school year to educate the public about the role of the Board of Education and how the board and board committees function.
4. **School Security:** Ms. Rafferty provided information on safety and security procedures. The Committee discussed the issue at length; Committee chair Mrs. Deepan and board president Mrs. Lopez assured the committee that discussions will continue with the full board.

Policy & Legislative Committee

***The Policy & Legislative Committee met on
March 1, 2018 to review the Strauss Esmay 1000
Series***

The Committee devoted its entire meeting to review of the Strauss Esmay 1000 Series, including the 25 policies under the topic heading "Administration." Further discussion revolved around procedures for moving all Strauss Esmay policies to the full Board for adoption.