

**Central Bucks School District**  
**School Board Briefs**  
**February 23, 2021**

At the February 23, 2021 School Board Meeting, the Central Bucks Board of School Directors:

**Announced** that the board held an Executive Session this evening, February 23, 2021 prior to the School Board Meeting, to discuss litigation and collective bargaining

**Approved** the minutes of the February 9, 2021 School Board Meeting

**Heard** Public Comment:

*Madhav Ponamgi of Furlong* addressed the Board regarding sending graded tests home for parental review, the website [www.qacbsd.org](http://www.qacbsd.org), on-the-record Q&A, the supervision and hiring of principals, bicycle racks at Central Bucks High School East, and the district's diversity report.

*Doug Willing, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding the Central Bucks School District Support Staff's drive, determination, camaraderie, professionalism, and aggregate skill set.

*Rosalie Wilks, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding the Central Bucks School District Support Staff's support of our teachers and students.

*Roxanne Filipe, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding communication from Human Resources about inclement weather guidance for Support Staff.

*Laurette Kozlik, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding appreciation and respect given to Support Staff members.

*Kathy Dando, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding Support Staff not feeling welcome or acknowledged. Ms. Dando thanked union leadership Deneen and Dean as well as the district for allowing Support Staff to make up time missed yesterday due to inclement weather.

*Chris Worman, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding Central Bucks having the best mechanics and grounds crew in Pennsylvania. Mr. Worman remarked that Support Staff is often overlooked.

*Lisa Rothenberger, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding her thanks to Support Staff members and Support Staff needing to hear that they are supported and valued.

*Elizabeth (Libby) Ayad, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding how vital EAs and PCAs are to student and teacher success, as well as how important custodians, nurses, transportation are to the district.

*Maria Bates, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding assisting teachers and students in a multiple disability classroom. Ms. Bates remarked that administration, teachers, and support staff are to be working as a team to keep CB leading the way. Ms. Bates read a statement of support from a coworker regarding never forgetting the importance of School Support Staff.

*Rosalind Braza, CBSD employee*, addressed the Board regarding how Support Staff members have evolved and transformed to be what students, teachers, parents, and administration need them to be.

*Jamie Walker of New Britain* addressed the Board regarding thanking Support Staff, annual legal fees paid by the district, modified quarantine, Right to Know emails, and asked if taking her appeal to common pleas court costs taxpayers extra money.

*Stacey Sills, CBSD employee,* addressed the Board regarding how impressed she is with our Support Staff and the limitless tasks they accomplish. Ms. Sills also thanked Marlene Pray.

*Kevin Perrine, CBSD employee,* addressed the Board regarding asking the Board and the Cabinet for compassion and grace for our fellow human beings, and offered the same to HR Director DiDio-Hauber for the job that she does.

*Louise Watkins, CBSD employee,* addressed the Board regarding acknowledging the unique and critical roles that Support Staff contribute to the success, safety, and well-being of our students every day.

*Anthony Dean DiMatteo, CBSD employee,* addressed the Board to introduce himself and thank them for their time.

*Clifford Dilg, CBSD employee,* addressed the Board regarding supporting all Support Staff, some of whom feel underappreciated, tired, and frustrated.

*Deneen Dry, CBSD employee,* addressed the Board regarding Support Staff. Ms. Dry remarked that the 900 Support Staff members, though an integral part of the Central Bucks team, are often forgotten and marginalized. Ms. Dry thanked and acknowledged Support Staff members, CB students-who are the reason we are here and do what we do every day, and Dr. Kopicki and Ms. DiDio-Hauber for meeting with her to discuss some Support Staff concerns.

**Heard** the Superintendent's Reports:

Solicitor Garton remarked that the district took an appeal from a decision from the Office of Open Records and will strive toward resolving it as quickly as possible.

**Reviewed** the School Board Reports:

- Curriculum Committee
- Finance Committee
- Operations Committee
- Policy Committee
- Bucks County Intermediate Unit
- Middle Bucks Institute of Technology

**Approved** the Treasurer's Report

**Approved** the Accounts Payable Check Disbursements Report

**Accepted** the 2019-2020 Audit Report

**Approved** the Second Addendum to Agreement for Purchase of Ash Mill Road Property

**Approved** the First Student Drivers and Aides for the 2020-2021 School Year

**Approved** a FAPE Waiver Agreement in the amount of \$41,250.00

**Approved** the 2021-2022 Central Bucks School District Calendar

**Approved** a High School Level Course of Study: Chamber Orchestra

**Approved** to Table for First Read School Board Policies 122 and 123

**Tabled** School Board Policy 123.2

**Approved** Personnel Items:

- Resignations and Terminations
- Leaves of Absence
- Appointments
- Assignment, Classification, and Status Changes
- EDRs and Points Lists
- 2021-2022 Substitute and Auxiliary Activity Pay Rates

**Approved** Staff Conferences/Workshops in the amount of \$3,290.00

**Reviewed** the Sabbatical Leaves of Absence List

**Reviewed** the 2019-2020 Semester 2 Temporary Professional Employees Lists

**Observed** a moment of silence to honor the memory of Doug Fisk