

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
11/20/19
GLASSBORO BOARD OF EDUCATION

INSTRUCTION 6:00	OPERATIONS 7:00	ADMINISTRATION 5:30
Elizabeth Volz – Chair	Chris Esagro – Chair	Alex Fanfarillo – Chair
Ray Cibo	Michele Ricci	Ben Stephens
Ryan Hughes	Ray Cibo	Stacie Tattersdill

I want to thank the Glassboro community for re-electing me to another term. It is an honor and privilege to serve and I look forward to continuing to serve with my fellow board members and administration. I also want to congratulate Mr. Chris Esagro and Ms. June Longley. Both have demonstrated excellent boardsmanship in their service to the district. Lastly, I want to congratulate Mr. JaZahn Hicks for doing a great job on his campaign. His message of transparency, accountability, and responsibility will continue to be at the forefront of our efforts to promote student achievement.

1. Meetings:

- a. NJSBA Workshop: I attended the workshop on October 22-23, 2019. During the workshop I participated in a number of professional development opportunities. I was glad to see many of the district administrators and board members also in attendance.
- b. NJSBA Board of Directors: I attended the Board of Director's meeting on Friday, November 15, 2019 in Trenton, NJ. Take-away points are attached and included in the report. NJSBA has secured \$150,000 in corporate support to host the 2020 new board member orientation programs. The funding enables NJSBA to offer these mandated programs at no cost to board members or districts.
- c. Delegates Assembly: On Saturday, November 23, 2019, I will be representing Glassboro at the NJSBA semi-annual delegates assembly. The Delegate Assembly is NJSBA's major policy-setting body. Senate President Steve Sweeney is the keynote speaker. The meeting will be held at the Mercer County Community College.

2. General Announcements

- a. We will be approving the submission of the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) District Performance Report (DPR). The QSAC review is scheduled for February 5, 2020. I would like to add the QSAC to the CSA Evaluation.

3. Board Committee Reports/Action Items

a. Instruction (Ms. Volz, Chair)

- Discussion needed on the Camden County College Career Technical Education Program. Specifically, please provide implementation details regarding instructional staff and program offerings.

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b. Operations (Mr. Esgro, Chair)

- Clarification needed on “Learning Walks.” Is there costs associated with the program and more information is needed regarding who will participate in the professional development.
- Emergency Lock-Down Enhancements-Action Plan. No update was provided to the board of education. The initial plan was included but no action or progress presented. Please advise.
- Food Service P&L is starting in the red. While typical for the first month of each school year, the variance is excessive. Suggest we have Chartwells provide an action plan to address these concerns for the next meeting.
- Resolution: Request board approval to accept proposal from Clearbridge Branding for a district logo design. The cost is \$1,500 and will be paid through current expense. The current logo is not jpg nor fully representative of our community.

c. Administration (Mr. Fanfarillo, Chair)

- CSA Appointments – Dr. Silverstein
- Rescind Action: The board encourages upward mobility within the district and has demonstrated its support through various recent promotions. I am deeply disappointed that recommendations for upward mobility have not been embraced by those considered for promotion and the impact on others in the process.

Old Business

- Dawg Bytes mobile application directory still has not been updated. Can someone tell me why we have not updated the site?
- The district is still pending a response from the Department of Education on our Emergency Aid request in the amount of \$1.6 million. What is the status?

New Business

- GHS Drama Department – The GHS Thespian Society will be performing Re-Deranged – A Night of Poe on Friday/Saturday, November 22/23 starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$8 and can be ordered in advance at ghsdramatix1@verizon.net.
- Fundraiser – The GHS Project After Prom will be hosting a Paint Nigh on Monday, December 9, 2019 between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. at the Landmark Americana. Ticket costs are \$35 and can be obtained by contacting glassboroafterprom@gmail.com. The after-prom committee is also seeking tax-deductible contributions to meet their \$15,000 goal.



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Take-Away Points

NJSBA Board of Directors Meeting

November 15, 2019

1. **NJSBA 2018-2019 Audit Report** – The NJSBA Board of Directors unanimously approved the 2018-2019 annual audit report. The Association received a clean audit with no recommendations.
2. **Workshop 2019** – Workshop was a tremendous success, with more than 9,000 registrants. Thanks to the very successful STEAM Tank Challenge, the outstanding student performances and the Garden State Film Festival, New Jersey's public school students had a strong presence at the conference. The conference offered a record number, 302, training and information sessions. At the January 17 Board of Directors meeting, a more exact report on finances will be provided. However, from all indications, Workshop 2019 met all of its financial goals.
3. **Basic School Law 2019**– The new edition of Basic School Law was officially released at the Workshop School Law Forum on October 24. The book is the definitive source on state and federal statute, regulation and court decisions impacting local school districts. The book may be ordered **online**.
4. **Corporate Support** – Dr. Feinsod reported that NJSBA has secured funding, totaling \$150,000 from corporate New Jersey for two New Board Member Orientation weekends (February 21 through the 23 and March 13 through the 15) and next spring's GPS for Visionary Leadership program (April 14 through the 26). The funding enables NJSBA to offer the programs free of charge to members and their school districts.
5. **Superintendent Salary Cap** – Dr. Feinsod reported that he met with Commissioner Repollet, at the Commissioner's invitation, to discuss NJSBA's perspective on superintendent compensation and the impact of the elimination of the superintendent salary cap.