

**CHESTER UPLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE RECEIVER'S
MEETING OF THE PUBLIC**

**April 16, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

A Public Meeting of the Receiver of the Chester Upland School District was held this evening via Zoom.

Executive Staff Present -	Dr. Gregory Thornton, Interim Receiver Dr. Juan Baughn, Superintendent Dr. Jala Olds-Pearson, Assistant Superintendent Ms. Sharon Brokenbough, COO
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Solicitor -	George Dawson, Esquire
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School Board -	Anthony Johnson, Board President
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Also Present on Zoom -	Kinya Robinson, Interim Director HR Dr. Joanne Barnett, Cyber Coordinator
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The Receiver's meeting opened with a call to order by Interim Receiver, Dr. Gregory Thornton and the Pledge of Allegiance.

NOTICE OF ADVERTISED MEETING

(COPY OF ADVERTISED NOTICE ATTACHED)

REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

I thank you, Dr. Thornton. I want to spend just a few minutes, Dr. Thornton, sharing with the board and the community where we are with our continuing education program. I would like to encourage everyone as we move through this increasingly difficult stage to visit our website as often as possible. On every Tuesday and Thursday I put a different social and emotional wellness tip on our website, and I would encourage people to look on Tuesdays and Thursdays and get our wellness tips and try them with your significant others, your family, your children. There are some beautiful tips on there. My wife and I have practiced many of them.

The second thing I want to say is that our website is the place where you can find the most up-to-date information as we are continuing moving forward with this education plan, and it changes almost daily. So I would encourage you to constantly visit the website. To this point we are extremely excited, and I want to take an opportunity to thank my staff, the team that put the continuing education program together. The continuing education program is that program that is teaching our youngsters through the internet, and we appreciate what Dr. Pearson and Dr. Barnett and Mr. McIntyre and the entire IT team have done to get us up and running. It took us a little longer to get ready than what we would have liked, but I thought it was important that we made sure that we had things in place before we got started. As it stands right now, all the high school students have their Chromebooks. For those that do not, they will be getting them tomorrow. We are working now on trying to find Chromebooks for 6 the remainder of our student grades K through 8. I will make the Robocall and put it out on the website and social media when we have accomplished that.

The other thing I want to say is thanks to Dr. Pearson and Dr. Barnett and their team. We will have hard copy packets, hard copy packets for instruction ready for our Pre-K to 8th grade students next week. So I or the principals will be letting you know when parents can pick up the hard copies of their instructions Pre-K through 8 next week. Then finally we are beginning now that we know that schools will be closed for the remainder of the year, I will be getting with the board and the receiver and taking a look at the end of the year calendar. So stay tuned for what that might look like. I'm sad to say that we have had to cancel all of our spring activities, but we are looking to do something special for them. So we will be looking at ways that we can work with our seniors and talking with the seniors and with their principals and get back to you as soon as we can. We are waiting until we hear again about the 30th of April deadline before we make final decisions as it relates to the end of school. So that concludes includes my remarks for now, Dr. Thornton, and I would have more to say at a later date.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF FEBRUARY 27, 2020

Interim Receiver Dr. Thornton approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

MS. ARNOLD: Jean Arnold, 2601 McCarey Street, J-e-a-n A-r-n-o-l-d. I'm going to give you all of my questions, and then I will wait for a response. The first one is when I look at A-3 to A-8, there are quite a number of settlements with students. I'm thinking that special ed it totals \$238,000, and I am very concerned about that. We haven't seen that kind of thing in our district for a long, longtime and I am wondering how we can find out what is the cause of that? I do recognize that there is a privacy issue. I'm not asking for that to be violated, but I'm very, very concerned that something is awry in special ed that has not been there for a longtime, and I would like for us to know what that is. I recognize that school is closed and this might be a bit of a challenge, but I wanted someone to speak to that tonight. A-9 for summer school with MARS program, I notice that the secretary and security staff are being paid \$15.00 per hour and \$18.00 per hour. My comment or, yes, my comment is my concern for the low per hour pay scale for those persons. I know they do a great deal and they are incremental for the programs being run successfully. I just wanted to be on record to say that I would really love if their salaries could be higher. If we look at B-1 at the bottom of the section, there is a list of coaches who are going to be paid, but we don't have the amounts that they are being paid. We do have the other teachers, but we don't have any information for the coaches; and I was hoping that we could possibly publish that at some point. That is at the bottom of B-1. It's a long list.

If we go to C-4, we are paying 9.6 million dollars to the IU for 20-21. I was wondering if tonight you could give a thumbnail sketch of the benefits we get from the IU and if in the future each month we could get a report on what those benefits are. I don't think we have ever published that kind of information, and I think it would be good if the public knew what we are paying for. I do understand they give us great service. I would just like for us to share that with the public. The same thing for C-5 what you are paying, what is it, 14.4 million the next school year for the Delaware County Technical School. I know a little bit about each of those, but I'm asking again if we could pay attention to that and let us know month by month, but tonight give us an overview of what those fees provide for us.

Then there is C-7 which is approval for payment for other costs. I'm assuming that means that we would be able to pay our vendors. I know that there was legislation provided for the payment of teachers, but I didn't see here what we had to do to pay other people whom we know, and I'm assuming C-7 takes care of that.

Thank you so much Dr. Juan Baughn for talking about the progress we have made. Let me also say, and I'm remiss in not saying at the start thank you all for your wonderful leadership during these unchartered waters. I was very happy to hear that we are going to have computers for Pre-K through 8. That was one of my concerns tonight. My question to you, sir, is can you give us any idea of the number of students who still need computers because I have been in touch with some people who have asked that question of me because they are possibly wanting to see how they could help provide the devices. So if you could share some information about quantities that would be helpful, and I think that is it.

The other question is, is it possible for any of the teachers particularly in the elementary classes to provide some real face-to-face time with some of their students during the day. I ask that because parents are having

a real challenge in engaging their students, and if we had some real face time of sort with teachers, that will help the parents a great deal with their home schooling with the students. Thank you very much.

DR. BAUGHN: I'll just take the last two. The answer to your question around face time with eachers is yes, and that principals are working on that through their teachers, and I will be in touch with parents on how that is going to happen. In terms of computers I have asked our tech department to give me an account of exactly how many computers we have and how many we need, and I expect to have that spreadsheet early next week; and my thought is that we will be able within the next two weeks to provide Chromebooks for a significant number of our Pre-K to 8 students, all of our middle schools and a tremendous number of our Pre-K to 8. I'm not sure what that number is yet, but I would say to you that if anyone is interested in helping out with Chromebooks, tell them I need 3,200 because I am in the process of ordering as many Chromebooks as we can so that we can hit the ground running next year, and I would love to have a grant that would provide me an opportunity to have Chromebooks in and out of school next year. So tell them that the numbers are infinite. Now, those are the only two that I can answer tonight. I'm not sure if someone on my staff right now or Dr. Thornton can answer the others. If not we will have to get back to you.

MS. BROKENBOUGH: Ms. Arnold, how are you?

MS. ARNOLD: I'm well. Thanks for coming back.

MS. BROKENBOUGH: Thanks for having me back. Just want to address your C items, the C-4, C-5 and C-7 I believe it was.

MS. ARNOLD: Yes.

MS. BROKENBOUGH: C-4 and C-5 they are not what we pay IU. It's just IU's budget, and that's just something that we do every year on our agenda. C-7 is just asking for us to have permission to make emergency purchases, and any emergency purchases that we have will go on the next month's agenda. Okay?

MS. ARNOLD: Yes. Is it appropriate that I can ask for at some point a more comprehensive description of what services we are able to receive from the IU and the Delaware County Technical School not tonight but at some point later?

MS. BROKENBOUGH: I refer that to Dr. Baughn.

DR. BAUGHN: The answer is yes. Of course I cannot do it tonight, but I've made a note of that, Ms. Arnold, for moving forward.

MS. ARNOLD: Thank you. What about the special ed settlements?

MS. COLEMAN: Does anyone have an answer on special ed settlements or is it something that we will have to get back to her after we speak with Mr. McIntyre?

DR. THORNTON: He's not with us tonight. Certainly, we will respond and we will respond directly to the concern that has been shared. Thank you very much for bringing it to our attention. He's not with us tonight, and we will be expedient in getting that comment to you.

DENEEN MOSLEY: My question is in regards to item number six on the agenda in regards to the Disposition of the CHAP application. I tried to attend the special meeting when that information was posted. I did request a meeting ID, but that was never provided. So unfortunately I was not privy to what was discussed. So I was going to ask if someone could give a quick recap of what the disposition is going to be tonight, if there is any vote that is taking place and again because I was not able to access the meeting, I don't know what type of request was brought before the board.

MR. DAWSON: What meeting are you referring to? There was one scheduled and rescheduled for April 6th. Is that the meeting you were referring to?

MS. MOSLEY: It was a meeting that was posted on Facebook as a Zoom meeting, but no meeting ID was provided to the public.

MR. DAWSON: Yes. That meeting was rescheduled for tonight. There has been no disposition, and the receiver will be giving an answer tonight.

MS. MOSLEY: So the answer to the application or giving an update on the request?

MR. DAWSON: No. An answer to the application.

MS. MOSLEY: So before an answer is given to the application, then can a recap so if I have additional questions I can pose them?

MR. DAWSON: There were two public meetings held prior to this one. So I'm not really sure what you are asking as far as a recap. There were presentations given, but the receiver will probably recap some of that in his remarks tonight.

MS. MOSLEY: Okay. So what is the request for? What is the application for, how many slots, grades?

MR. DAWSON: It was 4 to 8, grades 4 to 8, and I believe it was 500 slots. 375 in the first year was the enrollment projections.

MS. MOSLEY: You said 4th through 8th grade?

MR. DAWSON: I believe that was the application, yes.

MS. MOSLEY: Okay. What is the potential cost to the district?

MR. DAWSON: I don't have those figures.

MS. MOSLEY: Will that be disclosed before it's voted on tonight?

DR. THORNTON: I'll respond in the next aspect of the program, and I think I will probably answer some of the questions and it will probably bring on more questions.

MS. MOSLEY: All right. Thank you.

JOHN SHELTON JR.: Good evening everyone, and I want to thank everyone for allowing me to have some communication with you. I know this is some trying times at the present. The one thing to me right now, the most important thing is that I do not have communication numbers to reach each individual segment of our district at the time being. Am I to use your original numbers at the district or the numbers that I can get by some way, some fashion or force so when I have questions concerning individual departments or in this case individuals, I need to be able to contact them. Is that possible?

DR. BAUGHN: Mr. Shelton, you should have e-mails for everybody in the district.

MR. SHELTON: Okay. I don't think I have everyone, but I do have most.

DR. BAUGHN: I would suggest to use e-mails because a lot of people are on their personal phones and e-mail. If you don't get them, then you have all of my numbers. Get it to me, and I'll make sure that you are in touch.

MR. SHELTON: Okay. Thank you. I appreciate that. Now, that is part of the communication issue. Right now to my knowledge all the staff are working diligently to try to put this thing together and work with everyone and work within the parameters that you are proposing and giving. I do realize and I know that you realize, and this is something new for our teachers and they have to adapt in order to make this thing work. So as far as I know up to this point the majority of the teachers have been cooperating and making an attempt to make this thing work and give our students what we need to have. I just want to thank everyone for their participation, and I neglected to say welcome back and good to see you. I haven't seen you in a while, and it's good to see that you are well. Dr. Thornton, a question for you.

DR. THORNTON: Yes, sir.

MR. SHELTON: I know you are working on a short timeframe and a short time span, and when last we spoke we were entertaining our conversation concerning the district. I don't know where we are with this now, but I know this is going to be coming up soon. I just want to know can we have a conversation concerning that at some point?

DR. THORNTON: I would look forward to it.

MR. SHELTON: Dr. Baughn, I would like to say that conversation of course will always lapse over to you, and we try to get things ready and settled for the following and upcoming year as everyone else is.

DR. BAUGHN: Yes.

MR. SHELTON: So I thank everyone for your time, and at this moment I have nothing else other than to wish everyone well, god bless and stay healthy and god speed.

MARGIE: Hello everyone. Hello Dr. 18 Jala and welcome everyone. I hope everyone is well. The first thing is, is there any way I can download the minutes to this meeting? I don't have the paperwork.

MS. COLEMAN: The agenda is on the website that you can open. You can put it up there and download it from there. The minutes aren't of course done yet because that will be after this meeting.

MARGIE: Okay. Well, we have a couple of questions. I kind of got lost when the gentleman was speaking. I hope everyone is well and is staying well. Basically, we have a few things. Do we have a way to contain all of the online checks to be able to do that? I spoke to a couple people in reference to our ability to do that and to continue on with those classes and inspire to keep the children busy and try to get that in maybe sometime before the school year has really cancelled out. I am glad to see everybody. It's a wonderful thing so I'm glad to see. My son Charles has a question.

CHARLES: Yes. I wanted to explain what we have to offer for any students that maybe we can offer progress. We can expect the students' participation as well as have tournaments and compete in chess games and give them individualized instruction, and as President Donald says it's the best. What we have is the best like no other.

DR. BAUGHN: Let me say that now that we know schools are closed, we are in some very serious conversation about how our after school programs can continue. So we will be in touch with after school programs very, very soon because we think it's an important part of the program for the rest of this year. So I hope that answers part of your question?

MARGIE: Yes. With the virtual Zoom, it can only be done during different hours of the day. We have the facility fees so that it doesn't have to be during after school hours, but we are working on that and as the questions and the situation arises and we are given more information about that.

DR. BAUGHN: Okay. We just don't want that to interfere with our regular instructional program during the day. We will work through that. That won't be a problem. We will work through that.

MARGIE: Thank you so much.

DR. BAUGHN: There was a question that came up as a question and answer that I would like to speak to. I think the question was have our extended school year programs been cancelled because of virus? We have not cancelled any of our summer programs at this point, and we will be looking at those and how we can make those happen as soon as we can physically and mentally do so. So stay tuned for that, and the answer is no, they have not been cancelled yet.

MS. COLEMAN: There was another one. What is status of the proposal of the K to 8 schools to be taken over by charter schools?

DR.: BAUGHN: George?

MR. DAWSON: There has been no proposal on that issue. At this point the only thing that has been done is they have asked for drafts of requests for proposals to look at that as a possible issue, but there have been no decisions made one way or the other on that issue.

RONDAE HOLLIS-JEFFERSON: I just had a question about I heard someone mention about the Google Chromebooks. So I know a lot of people in that field. So my question was why not use me and the resources that I have and the relationships that I have built throughout basketball and the connections I've made to help this city with what is going on right now more so than ever would definitely be beneficial not only for you guys but for the other kids and parents keeping the kids active.?

DR. BAUGHN: Look forward to hearing from me almost as soon as you hang up.

MR. HOLLIS-JEFFERSON: Okay.

DR. BAUGHN: We will be in touch before the week is up.

MR. HOLLIS-JEFFERSON: Sounds good. I appreciate that.

DR. BAUGHN: We appreciate it.

MR. HOLLIS-JEFFERSON: Definitely. I will see you guys.

MS. COLEMAN: there is a Q & A that came in. It says, "As of right now the continuity of education pertaining to K to 8 students to distribute packets, technology, distribution, date unknown, is that correct?"

DR. PEARSON: Good evening. We are anticipating that a few vendors that we are working with. We will have our packets prepared and ready no later than Monday this week. We will provide a definite date at the beginning of the week. There was a delay due to COVID-19 because of the limited staffing with our original vendor. They just were not able to print the volume of packets that we needed since they had limited staff and very few hours due to COVID-19, but we are delighted we will have packets for every student whether you have technology or not next week. As Dr. Baughn mentioned, we will begin very soon to distribute more Chromebooks starting with our middle school and then eventually distributing even more to the elementary schools.

TAMIA COTTMAN: My name is Tamia Cottman, and I am a senior at the STEM Academy. I was just wondering what you guys were thinking of doing for graduation and about senior dues because we had to pay a majority of our dues before we had to leave school.

DR. BAUGHN: Tamia, this is Dr. Baughn. We have not made a decision about graduation. I mentioned earlier that we are going to be in touch with principals and senior leaders about graduation and end-of-the-year activities, and we will also have a conversation with students and administrators as it relates to your dues. So we will be in touch with you and others about that very soon.

MS. COTTMAN: Okay.

MS. COLEMAN: Another question on the Q & A. I would like to know what to do with my three-year-old who was enrolled for the new semester? Do I still hand in his application forms and when?

MS. PEARSON: So we are going to have to figure out a specific date when parents can begin to submit applications for a copy when we have staff return to the building. At this time we are not directing any additional applications. However, we do have the applications that were already submitted, and we already have the list started. So as soon as we return to the building, the parent can then submit the application in person

DORIS SHELTON: How will the children be promoted this year? Are they going to be promoted to the next grade or do they have enough in to go on? How does that work under this new system?

DR. BAUGHN: We do not know exactly how it's going to work yet. We are waiting direction from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, and we are working with the other superintendents across the state with those directions. So as soon as we hear from them what our options are, we will make that known to the public; but those are conversations that superintendents across the state are having with the Department of Education as we speak.

MS. SHELTON: Okay. Thank you for having this meeting. You know I'm old so I'm learning. So I got into this meeting so thank you very much.

DR. BAUGHN: You are welcome.

MS. COLEMAN: Okay, thank you. There is one more question. It says, "Good evening. Just logged back in. Where are we with IEP student support?"

DR. BAUGHN: I would hope -- Mr. McIntyre isn't on the line this evening, but I would hope we are in the same place with those supports as we are with the regular ed students. If that is not the case, then someone should be in touch with me and I'll find out why, but those supports should be in place as we speak. Is that your understanding, Dr. Pearson?

DR. PEARSON: We are going to provide all support if at all possible.

MS. COLEMAN: We don't see any hands raised for any more Q & A so I think we may be able to move on to the next agenda item.

DISPOSITION OF THE C.H.A.P. CHARTER SCHOOL – DR. GREGORY THORNTON

I'm very excited about the potential opportunity that the C.H.A.P. Charter School may be able to bring to our children as well as the entire school district. As a parent, grandparent and now the receiver for the Chester Upland School District, our children are our number one priority, and I know that is also the vision of the individuals involved in the development of the CHAP program. I had an opportunity to meet with many folks in the community, many of the folks that have spoken; and I will tell you they are very excited about the future of our district. However, at this time objectively speaking it's apparent that the application of C.H.A.P. Charter School requires additional work in order to be compliant with the aspects of the charter school law, and therefore it is my obligation as the receiver to deny that application at this time. Nonetheless, once again we are grateful for the dedication of the individuals involved in C.H.A.P. I had an opportunity as I said to talk with a number of members of that program. Timing is critical to us. It would not be possible if we had approval tonight to open this coming year. We are in a position now that if we want to continue, and I would certainly suggest and would certainly prompt them to get into place to get and meet the obligations that are necessary as we move forward. This is an exciting time as I said earlier. I haven't seen this much excitement. I have watched the young men and ladies grow up in this community. I think we would be very, very shortsighted if we did not move in a very aggressive way. So at this time next year, we are a year away, that potentially we will be in a position to meet the expectations and the requirements that are necessary. So it's a great time and I spoke last week with a couple of the participants. They are excited, and I will tell you I am excited as well. I would hope we do not lose this opportunity for us as a community. Thank you.

I'm going to transition now. I'm sure there will be some questions, and I'll be glad to answer them. I'll be around, and certainly I would have no problem bringing a group in and have a focus group to talk about where we are and where we are going.

EDUCATION AGENDA

A-1 Approval of Homebound Instruction for Students

<u>Student #</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective</u>
213958	CHS	2/27/2020
210829	CHS	2/27/2020
211691	STEM	3/4/2020
77024	CHS	3/5/2020

A-2 Approval to adopt and approve Determinations from Student Hearings

<u>Student #</u>	<u>Date of Hearing</u>
21042	2/28/2020
211513	2/28/2020
211801	2/28/2020
211342	2/28/2020
78547	2/28/2020
75861	2/28/2020
79923	3/10/2020
212609	3/10/2020
90016	3/10/2020

A-3 Approval of Settlement and Release for Student #211535

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors approves the Settlement Agreement and Release with reference to Student Number 211535 (D.B.) for a Compensatory Education Fund in the amount of Fifty-Two Thousand, Five Hundred dollars (\$52,500), to be utilized and disbursed through an Educational Trust fund: (The Plan of PA), expiring on the date the child turns 21 and attorney's fees in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000).

Payable From: General Fund Budget
Cost: \$57,500
Executive Sponsor: Mark McIntyre

A-4 Approval of Settlement and Release for Student #1002790

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors approves the Settlement Agreement and Release with reference to Student Number 1002790 (J.S.) for a Compensatory Education Fund in the amount of Twenty-One Thousand Dollars (\$21,000), to be utilized and disbursed through a third party Trust (Plan of PA), expiring (when the student turns 18 years of age) and attorney's fees in the amount of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000).

Payable From: General Fund Budget

Cost: \$24,000

Executive Sponsor: Mark McIntyre

A-5 Approval of Settlement and Release for Student #080946

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors approves the Settlement Agreement and Release with reference to Student Number 080946 (K.C.) for a Compensatory Education Fund in the amount of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000), to be utilized and disbursed through a third party trust (Plan of PA), expiring when the age of the student turns 23 years of age, and attorney's fees in the amount of Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000).

Payable From: General Fund Budget

Cost: \$96,000

Executive Sponsor: Mark McIntyre

A-6 Approval of Settlement and Release for Student #080696

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors approves the Settlement Agreement and Release with reference to Student # 080696 (R.R.) for a Compensatory Education Fund in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), to be utilized and disbursed through a third party trust (Plan of PA), expiring on the day the student turns 21 years of age, and attorney's fees in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000).

Payable From: General Fund Budget

Cost: \$30,000

Executive Sponsor: Mark McIntyre

A-7 Approval of Settlement and Release for Student #212150

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors approves the Settlement Agreement and Release with reference to Student Number 212150 (M.J.) for a Compensatory Education Fund in the amount of Fifty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$52,500), to be utilized and disbursed through a third party trust (Plan of PA) expiring on the date the student turns 21 years of age; and attorney's fees in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000).

Payable From: General Fund Budget

Cost: \$57,500

Executive Sponsor: Mark McIntyre

A-8 Approval of Settlement and Release for Student #1002876

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors approves the Settlement Agreement and Release with reference to Student Number 1002876 (L.H.) for a Compensatory Education Fund in the amount of Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000), to be utilized and disbursed through a third party trust (Plan of PA), expiring on the date the student becomes twenty-one years of age; and attorney's fees in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars(\$5,000).

Payable From: General Fund Budget

Cost: \$32,000

Executive Sponsor: Mark McIntyre

A-9 Approval to implement the summer academic support for the MARS programs

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors approves the implementation of summer academic supports to provide supplemental Reading, Math, Science, Arts, Technology, and Credit Recovery programming designed to complement CUSD's instructional initiatives, increase student academic achievement, decrease regression due to the summer months and increase school performance profiles. Programming will operate from June 22, 2020 – July 30, 2020.

Programming costs will not exceed \$450,000 and include:

- Teaching/Guidance staff at \$32/hr.
- Climate Staff at \$25/hr.
- Teaching Assistants at \$15/hr.
- Credit Recovery Monitors at \$20/hr.
- Security Staff at \$18.00/hr.
- Nurses at \$28.50 (LPN) - \$32.00/hr. (RN)

- Coordinators at \$40.00/hr.
- Secretaries at \$15.00/hr.
- Transportation
- Participation in educationally enriching experiences onsite and offsite
- Materials and supplies
- Family engagement initiatives

Payable From: Title I, Ready to Learn Grant, 21st CCLC, Pre-K Counts

Cost: Not to Exceed \$450,000

Executive Sponsor: Jala Olds-Pearson

EDUCATION AGENDA ITEMS #A-1 THROUGH #A-9 WERE APPROVED BY DR. GREGORY THORNTON, INTERIM RECEIVER

PERSONNEL AGENDA

B-1 Approval of appointments, retirements, terminations, rescinds, leaves of absence, and returns from leaves of absence, suspension, grant-funded programs, spring coaches, and extended season.

RESOLVED, that the following **appointments** be approved on the effective date respectively noted:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>New Position or Replacement</u>
Lee, Stafford	Custodian STEM	\$11.78/hr 12 months	3/9/2020	Replacement 0144 G.F.B. 2019-2020
Warren-Green Syreeta	Purchasing Coordinator Administration	\$45,000 12 months	3/31/2020	Replacement 0682 G.F.B. 2019-2020

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following **retirements** be approved on the effective date respectively noted:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kowalek, Josephine	Teacher Toby Farms	6/30/2020
Rios, Margaret	Teacher STEM	6/30/2020

RESOLVED, that the following **termination** be approved on the effective date respectively noted:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Tillman, Lewis	Teacher Assistant Toby Farms	3/12/2020

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following **rescind** be approved on the effective date respectively noted:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Coleman, Corday	Crossing Guard Main Street	2/17/2020

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following **leaves of absence** be approved on the effective date respectively noted:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Garner, Renee	Principal CUSA	3/2/2020 – 5/25/2020 Intermittent FMLA
Ishmail, Rasheedah	Truancy Chester High	2/4/2020-4/29/2020 FMLA
McDonald, Tonisha	Teacher Assistant Main Street	2/24/2020-3/27/2020 FMLA
Sciarra, Susan	Teacher Administration	2/15/2020-3/5/2020 FMLA

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following **return from leave of absence** be approved on the effective date respectively noted:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Brokenbough, Sharon	Chief Operating Officer Administration	3/26/2020
Coleman, Christina	Executive Secretary Administration	3/16/2020
Hrisiko, Michael	Teacher Chester High	3/3/2020
Jones, Carolyn	Teacher Chester High	3/23/2020

Lolio, Kayla	Teacher STEM	3/2/2020
Mahoney, Deborah	Teacher Stester	4/14/2020
McDonald, Tonisha	Teacher Assistant Main Street	3/27/2020
Pope, Tiaira	Teacher Assistant Toby Farms	3/12/2020
Rawls, Evelyn	Teacher Assistant Chester High	3/16/2020
Sciarra, Susan	Teacher Stetser	3/5/2020
Whelan, Kathleen	Teacher Chester High	3/2/2020

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following **suspension** be approved on the effective date respectively noted (Justification on file in the Office of Human Resources)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
On File Human Resources	School Community Liasion Administration	3/2/2020 Pending Investigation	Suspended w/ pay

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, grant approval for the following individuals to participate in the **grant-funded Programs** during the 2019-2020 school year as listed below:

Saturday School Main Street
February 22, 2020 – April 30, 2020

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Naylor, Mellonease	Climate/Support Staff	18./hr

Family Engagement STEM

February 20, 2020

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
DuBois, John	Teacher	32./hr
Hargadon, Casey	Counselor	32./hr
Merto, Caitlyn	Coordinator	40./hr
Scorzetti, Pasquale	Teacher	40./hr
Sparks, Nadine	School Safety	18./hr
Thomson, Rachel	Teacher	32./hr
Vicks, Shakeerah	School Safety	18./hr
Turner-Wright, Chanel	Counselor	32./hr

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, grant approval for the following coaches to be paid who participated in **Extended Season** during the 2019-2020 school year as listed below:

Girls Track Playoffs

January 27, 2020 – March 6, 2020

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Allen, Jamal	Head Coach
Moore, Andre	Athletic Director

Boys Track Playoffs

January 27, 2020 – February 21, 2020

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Moore, Andre	Athletic Director
Wharton, James	Head Coach

Afterschool STEM

February 20, 2020

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Scrozetti, Pasquale	Teacher	32./hr

B-2 Tuition Reimbursement for the 2019-2020 school year.

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, grant approval for employees listed below to receive tuition reimbursement for the 2019-2020 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Number of Credits Submitted</u>	<u>Number of Credits Approved</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>Approved Amount</u>
Robinson, Kinya	3	3	\$1,851	\$1,851

Executive Sponsor: Kinya Robinson

PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEM #B-1 AND #B-2 WERE APPROVED BY DR. GREGORY THORNTON, INTERIM RECEIVER.

BUSINESS AGENDA

C-1 Reports of the tax collectors: \$926,282.91

RESOLVED, that the reports of the City of Chester, Borough of Upland, and Chester Township for the period February 1, 2020 through February 29, 2020 in the amount of \$742,928.20 be received, be noted upon the Minutes and filed.

Executive Sponsor: Sharon Brokenbough

C-2 Approval of the Treasurer’s Report/Budget Report

RESOLVED, that the attached Treasurer’s Reports/Budget Reports for the fiscal months ended February 29, 2020 and March 31, 2020 be APPROVED by the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors.

Executive Sponsor: Sharon Brokenbough

C-3 General Fund Budget: \$4,348,646.85. Approval of payrolls

RESOLVED, that the payrolls dated in February and March, 2020 of the various accounts totaling for all accounts and funds the grand sum of \$, be approved by the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors.

General Fund Budget: \$6,716,064.54. Approval of list of payments

RESOLVED, that the attached list of payments of the various accounts totaling for all accounts and funds the grand sum of \$6,716,064.54, a copy of which has been given to the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, be APPROVED, and that said list of payments be incorporated into the Minutes.

General Fund	\$6,433,194.95
Food Services Account	281,369.59
Capital Project Fund Account	1,500.00
Total Disbursements	\$6,716,064.54

Payable From: General Fund Budget

Executive Sponsor: Sharon Brokenbough

C-4 Approval of the Delaware County Intermediate Unit’s 2020-21 Budget

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, approves the budget of the Delaware County Intermediate Unit (DCIU) for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 20, 2021. The budget total for DCIU is \$9,616,248

Executive Sponsor: Shelley Chapman

C-5 Approval of the Delaware County Technical Schools’ 2020-21 Budget

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, approves the budget of the Delaware County Technical Schools (DCTS) for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 20, 2021. The Budget total for DCTS is \$ 14,406,225.

Executive Sponsor: Shelley Chapman

C-6 Approval to continue existing business relationship with PDQ.com

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, continue its existing business relationship with PDQ.com (formerly Admin Arsenal) for the provision and maintenance of their PDQ system for deployment and inventory of software across the district.

Payable From: General Fund Budget

Cost: \$2,989

Executive Sponsor: Thomas Johnson

C-7 Approval for continuing operations during the Coronavirus shutdown

RESOLVED, to approve purchase of equipment, services and supplies necessary for the continuing operations of Chester Upland School District and support of programs during the Coronavirus shutdown, within purchasing standards set forth in the school code and Board policy, and with purchases shall be ratified by the Receiver at the next regular board meeting

Executive Sponsor: Shelley Chapman

C-8 Approval of the DCIU Special Education Intergovernmental Agreement for 2020-21

RESOLVED, that the Receiver, acting as the Board of School Directors, approves the DCIU Special Education Intergovernmental Funding and Service Agreement for 2020-2021. The total budget for the DCIU is \$19,026,431 with \$1,073,616 as the district’s responsibility. The payments shall be as follows: 25% of the above sum on each of the following dates – September 1, 2020, November 1, 2020, January 1, 2021 and April 1, 2021.

Payable From: General Fund Budget
Cost: \$1,073,616
Executive Sponsor: Shelley Chapmen

BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS #C-1 THROUGH #C-8 WERE APPROVED BY DR. GREGORY THORNTON, INTERIM RECEIVER

There being no further business *Interim Receiver, Dr. Gregory Thornton* adjourned the meeting at 7:12pm.

CHESTER UPLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL RECOVERY RECEIVER

<hr/> Dr. Gregory Thornton	<hr/> Date
Interim Receiver	