

Energy Committee

March , 3, 2009

A meeting was held in the district office tonight to review all energy updates.

- A meeting was held in the district office to review an Energy RFP for our Schools. Ms Jimenez, Kirk Gostowski, and Keith Rooney attended. RFP was forwarded to Mr Sapir (attorney) for review . Once the proposal is finalized , I will discuss with the BOE and move forward with the process. RFP will consist of several ways to reduce our Energy cost, including computer management systems, heating & ventilation, Boiler controllers, and solar & wind technology.
- A meeting was held at National Grid to discuss Co Generation at Deer Park Schools. We should have a final proposal by March, 17, 2009. I will then present to the BOE for discussion and approval. Units are already installed on our roof tops . I would like to put them back in service to generate 75-80 K annually for our district.

Special ED Committee March , 03, 2009

A meeting was held at the district office tonight with members of the special ed committee. Parents, Septa board members, teachers, administrators, & school board members all got together for our second yearly meeting. I will list the issues we discussed.

— Social group - Plan is implemented K-12th grade. Thirty plus students are participating in our social skills group. Children meet once a week to interact, play games, learn life skills, and attend field visits . Administration has done a wonderful job hand selecting great Teachers and Teacher assistants. I will continue to work with our team to ensure this program is a great success.

- Sports program- We are starting up a sports program this Spring for special needs children. Baseball, Soccer, Lacrosse, & Track. Children will meet once a week for an hour session. Coaches are special ed certified , flyers will be sent home in the next month explaining the details. Grant 611,619 will be secured by Administration to pay for the program.

- Deer Park is in the running for a 50,000 dollar grant for "best practices Boces". Due to the hard work of our Teachers & Administration we are in the finals for this fund. Deer Park has been innovative when it comes to special education. I'm proud to say we are looked at as a "Model" district.

- Septa- Battle of the bands was a great success last week at the Deer Park High School. Septa raised 4000 dollars with a net profit of 3400 dollars. Septa PTA has done an outstanding job once again due to it's leadership. Septa will be organizing a dinner dance next November , 9 , 2009 . Nomination forms will be sent out prior to the dance nominating one Teacher per building for outstanding service to our district. Dance will have a Chinese auction theme, details to follow.

- General discussion- Summer School locations are being looked at JQA & JFK. Special Ed budget will be March, 10, 2009 . Adult living skills classroom expanding next year.