

Parsippany-Troy Hills Township Schools

Board of Education Meeting Questions and Answers

August 5, 2014

Question: During the Re-organization process were funds taken from the classroom?

Answer: **Mr. Rixford stated that he would like to add for greater clarity -- of the new positions that were created, and please remember most of them were re-codified, under no circumstances did any funds come from any line of classroom instruction. We looked at vendor contracts, insurance companies, grant opportunities, and other providers where we looked at to get a better deal. We were most proud of the fact that we did not look at any classroom lines.**

Question: With the new Dress and Grooming Policy, will allowances be made for Spirit Days?

Answer: **Mr. Rixford stated the policy as written and suggested does allow for a large amount of waivers – we do want to have spirit days for the students - we have to look at this judiciously for all spirit days and special event days - I suggested certain wording so as come the warm weather - yes there will be relaxation of the dress code. It is my recommendation to start with standards and we can always relax them as you go. It is not the most optimal to be in a hot room and be uncomfortable - I think we need to start with standards and then look at the recommendation. I would be happy to go in any room with my suit and tie on where a teacher says it is too hot and observe.**