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Board Approves New Five-Year Contract With AFSCME Local 2924 at Special Legislative Meeting

PITTSBURGH, March 5, 2012---A new five-year agreement has been reached with the Pennsylvania American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) bargaining unit Local 2924. The Board ratified the collective bargaining agreement at a Special Legislative Meeting held this evening. AFSCME Local 2924, with approximately 200 members, represents clerical workers. The contract was ratified by members of AFSCME Local 2924 this past Saturday.

“The Members of Local 2924 provide an essential service to our schools and central administration. They are the faces you see when you enter a school office, and the voices that greet you at every school. They spend the day meeting the multiple needs of students, parents and staff daily, said Superintendent Linda Lane. We are pleased to have reached a five-year agreement that will bring us labor stability with this very valuable group of employees.”

The new contract, consistent with collective bargaining agreements reached with similarly situated employees, includes the following provisions:

- 5-year term (January 1, 2011 -December 31, 2015);
- 2% wage increase each year;
- Employees are required to submit updated criminal and child abuse clearances.

The new contract additionally restores the District’s ability to adjust the workforce in response to the changing circumstances of the District, something which had been restricted by a no furlough provision contained in the prior collective bargaining agreement.

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