

**SOUTH MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT
4 Forge Road, Boiling Springs, PA 17007**

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 19, 2009**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on January 19, 2009, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll with all members present except as designated:

School Directors

Mr. Michael Berk

Mrs. Shelly Capozzi

Mr. Derek Clepper

Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr.

Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse

Mr. Mark Juliana

Ms. Pam Martin

Mr. Paul Slifko

Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent

Dr. Sandra J. Tippet, Assistant Superintendent

Student Representatives to the Board

Brendan D. VanGorder - **Absent**

Jayson Schaufert - **Absent**

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

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INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

Mrs. Lisa Myers, partner for Boyer & Ritter, Certified Public Accountants reviewed with the Board and the public the Independent Auditor's Report for the fiscal year 2007-2008.

Dr. Sanker, Superintendent, recognized the South Middleton School District Board members, as part of the PSBA annual board recognition month. She thanked them for their voluntary service and dedication to South Middleton School District.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, to approve the following:

December 2008

The Board approved the bills for December 2008 represented by checks #34989 to #35201 inclusive, in the amount of \$1,222,305.63.

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for December 2008, Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #13016 to #13050 inclusive, in the amount of \$25,081.71, are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved requisitions payable from the Construction Fund (PLGIT) for December 2008, represented by checks #11186 to #11190 inclusive, in the amount of \$280,850.31.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay, to approve the following:

The Board approved requisitions payable from the Capital Reserve Fund (PSDLAF) for December 2008, represented by checks #22114 to #22115 in the amount of \$176,883.51.

The motion passed as follows:

Mr. Berk:	No	Mrs. Knouse:	Yes
Mrs. Capozzi:	Yes	Ms. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Clepper:	Yes	Mr. Slifko:	No
Mr. Fay:	Yes	Mr. Winters:	No
Mr. Juliana:	Yes		

6 – Yes, 3 – No, 0 – Abstentions, 0 - Absent

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, BUSINESS MANAGER AND ADMINISTRATORS

Dr. Sanker thanked the School Directors, Mr. Winters, Mrs. Knouse and Ms. Martin for attending the Schools to Watch visit conducted at Yellow Breeches Middle School.

Dr. Tippettt thanked the Directors for their service to the Board and updated everyone on the In-service Day held today.

Mr. Vensel spoke about the bond refinancing and the preparations for the 2009-2010 budget.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

TOPIC DISCUSSION – Establishing 2009 Board Goals

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk that the Board approves the agenda of January 19, 2009, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mrs. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters to approve all of the following as a block motion:

The Board accepted the results of the Audit Report from Boyer and Ritter, Certified Public Accountants, for the 2007-2008 school year.

The Board approved the following personnel items:

PERSONNEL

PROFESSIONAL

Retirement

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of K. Alan Mills, Science teacher at Boiling Springs High School, effective June 5, 2009.

Long-Term Substitute

The Board employed the following professional staff:

Name:	Teresa Fusco
Certification:	Mathematics
Position:	Long-Term Substitute, Boiling Springs High School (Replacing Rachel Zilbering on child-rearing leave)
Salary:	Bachelor's Degree, Step 1 - \$37,912 (pro-rated)

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CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

REPORTS OF SPECIAL OR ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Facilities Committee

Mr. Slifko reported that the Facilities Committee met on January 12, 2009, and the Phase II drawings for the stadium project were presented. Next meeting is February 2, 2009.

Education Committee

Mrs. Knouse reported that the Education Committee met this evening and reviewed planned courses of study, discussed technology within the district and reviewed the report by Dr. Withum of the School to Watch Program.

Capital Area Intermediate Unit #15

Mr. Winters referred the Board members to the December 18, 2008 report. He reported that the CAIU Board President resigned and the Vice President was elected as President.

Capital Area Tax Bureau

Mr. Vensel reported that the next meeting is scheduled for Sunday afternoon.

Cumberland Perry Vocational Technical School

Mr. Juliana reported that the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 26, 2009.

Legislative Report

Mr. Berk mentioned that he attended a meeting in which Ms. Beth Winters from PSBA spoke on proposed changes with mandate waivers.

Policy Committee

Mr. Clepper – No Report

Recreation and Parks Report

Mr. Fay reported that Mr. Glesner is the new President, the committee is reviewing planting of trees and new pavilion will be delivered soon.

South Middleton Township

Mr. Juliana reported the Township held a reorganization meeting and Mr. Gambusia is new chair, and Representative Scott Perry scheduled to serve in Iraq.

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RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BOARD

Mr. Berk expressed his appreciation for the building reports.

Mr. Winters thanked the Board for their hard work and doing a tremendous job.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting and it was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary