

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
November 2, 2009**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on November 2, 2009, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President, Ms. Pamela Martin, 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

Janet Adams, Principal – IFEC

Barbara J. Alitto, Special Ed. Director

David Bitner, Assistant Principal – YBMS

David Boley, Principal – Rice

Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS

Sharonn Williams, Director of Instruct. Technology

Fred Withum, Principal, YBMS

**Student Representatives to the Board**

Brendan D. VanGorder - **Absent**

Alexandra Goodson - **Absent**

**Visitors**

See attachment to the minutes.

**Board Secretary**

Richard R. Vensel

**Solicitor**

Philip H. Spare

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### **INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION - None**

### **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meeting:

-October 19, 2009 – Regular Board Meeting

**The motion passed unanimously.**

### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

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

Dr. Sanker mentioned the bulletin board that featured work done by BSHS students in Mrs. Kane's Photograph I class. She also updated the Board on the H1N1 vaccine status.

Dr. Tippet commented that first marking period has ended.

Mr. Vensel updated the Board PSERS retirement and TCC.

### **NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS – None**

### **TOPIC DISCUSSION**

Mr. Vensel made a presentation to the Board of School Directors about the Capital Tax Collection Bureau and about the designated reserve fund for the Cumberland/Perry Area Vo-Tech School.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay, that the Board approves the agenda of November 2, 2009. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk that the Board approves a resolution determining that there will be no tax increase in the rate of any tax for the support of its public schools for the 2010-2011 fiscal year by more than the index established by the Department of Education, and the index for the District is 2.9% for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. **On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.**

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Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper to approve the following personnel items:

### PERSONNEL

### PROFESSIONAL

#### LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE

The Board employed the following professional personnel:

Name: Lindsay Cohill  
Certification: Elementary  
Position: 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher – Rice (Substitute for Patricia Geiger and Shannon Miller – both 1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers)  
Starting Date: October 29, 2009  
Salary: Step 1, Bachelor's - \$39,128 (pro-rated)

#### GUEST TEACHERS

The Board employed the following substitute teachers for the 2009-2010 school year, under the Guest Teacher Program operated by the Capital Area Intermediate Unit #15 at \$95/day.

Name: Lori Boley  
Interests: Elementary/Spec. Ed.

Name: Shira Horowitz  
Interests: All Grades, All Subjects

#### SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

The Board approved the following substitute teachers for the 2009-2010 school year at \$95/day.

Name: Alison McKenna  
Certification: Social Studies

Name: Denielle Steck  
Certification: Elementary

Name: Cathy Sroka  
Certification: English/Library Science/Principal

#### EXTRA DUTY - HOMEWORK CLUB ADVISORS

The Board approved the following additional Homework Club Advisors for the 2009-2010 school year at \$33.00/hr.

Paskalik, Amy – 2 days/week  
Trostle, Tara – 2 days/week

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VOLUNTEER

The Board approved the following volunteer as the YBMS Ski and Snow Board Club advisor for the 2009-2010 school year.

Lasar, Mark

The Board employed the following professional personnel:

Name: Tracy A. Hinkle  
Position: Reading Specialist – W.G. Rice Elementary  
(Replacing Cheryl Brubaker - Retirement)  
Salary: Step 18M - \$52,500  
Starting Date: To be determined

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knouse to authorize Crabtree and Rohrbaugh Architects to proceed with submitting the plans for the athletic/fitness room at the Boiling Springs High School to South Middleton Township for approval. On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

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

**The motion passed: 7 – Yes, 2 – No, 0 – Absent, 0 – Abstentions**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters to authorize Crabtree and Rohrbaugh Architects to proceed with obtaining the necessary engineering firm to design and plan for air conditioning in the gymnasiums of Boiling Springs High School, Yellow Breeches Middle School and W.G. Rice Elementary School. On a roll call vote, the motion failed as follows:

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

**The motion failed: 3 – Yes, 6 – No, 0 – Absent, 0 – Abstentions**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi that the Board approve a pilot after school remediation program at the Yellow Breeches Middle School for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year at a not-to-exceed cost of \$30,000. On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

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

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**The motion passed: 7- Yes, 2 – No, 0 – Absent, 0 – Abstentions**

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

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

Mr. Clepper remarked that it took the Board ten minutes to discuss spending \$278,000, but spent twenty minutes discussing \$30,000 for a remedial program.

Mr. Berk wished those that were running for election or re-election “good luck.”

Mr. Slifko expressed interest in knowing the number of students who receive H1N1 vaccine that do not attend South Middleton School District.

Mrs. Knouse commented about the problem the District is encountering sending email to those with a Comcast email address.

Mr. Winters commented on a book called “Here Lies a Body.”

Mr. Juliana stated that he becomes a “lame duck” as of Election Day.

Mrs. Capozzi stated that she would like to see a long-term facilities plan.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss a legal and personnel matter at 7:55 p.m. The Board returned to Regular Session at 9:55 p.m. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting, and it was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel  
Board Secretary