

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 7, 2011**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on November 7, 2011, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President, Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

School Directors

Mrs. Shelly Capozzi

Mr. Derek Clepper

Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr.

Mr. Thomas Hayes

Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse

Ms. Pamela Martin

Mr. Thomas Merlie

Mr. Paul Slifko

Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker - **Absent**

Dr. Sandra J. Tippet, Assistant Superintendent

Janet Adam, Principal – IFEC

David Boley – Principal - Rice

Connie Connolly, Director of Spec. Ed.

Sharonn Williams – Director of Educational Technology

Dr. Frederick Withum, Principal - YBMS

Student Representatives to the Board

Anthony Kallhoff – **Absent**

Kathryn Webber

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

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meeting:

-October 17, 2011 – Regular Board Meeting

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Dr. Sandra Tippet, Assistant Superintendent, commented on the bulletin board, prepared by Mrs. Lay's third grade art class. Dr. Tippet reminded everyone of the Veteran's Day breakfast scheduled for November 10, 2011. Dr. Tippet also announced that the local auditors will be at the November 21, 2011, meeting to review the 2010-2011 audit. Also, a Boiling Springs High School Improvement Plan will be reviewed on November 21, 2011, Because of these two items, a committee meeting may need to begin at 5:30 p.m., but further details will be forthcoming.

Mr. Vensel reported that Mr. Slifko attended the last Cap Tax meeting.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

Letter, dated October 18, 2011, from James Vogel, Acting Chief Division of School Facilities, of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, acknowledging receipt of the PlanCon Park K, "Project Refinancing" for the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2011, to Refund General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2006. This letter will be entered into the minutes of November 7, 2011, Board meeting as required by PDE.

TOPIC DISCUSSIONS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, to approve the agenda of November 7, 2011. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the Physician Services Agreement and the Amendment between the South Middleton School District and the Carlisle Medical Group, LLC d/b/a Boiling Springs Family Practice. **The motion passed unanimously.**

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Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the following personnel items:

PERSONNEL

PROFESSIONAL

Childrearing Leave

The Board approved the request from Vanessa Long, First Grade teacher at W.G. Rice Elementary School, to extend her childrearing leave of absence to the end of the 2011-2012 school year, returning to her position at the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year.

Retirement

The Board approved, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Sheri Horner, from the position of Guidance Counselor at the Boiling Springs High School, effective February 6, 2012. Mrs. Horner has been a guidance counselor at BSHS for sixteen years.

Guest Teacher Program

The Board approved adding the following individuals to the substitute teacher list, under the Guest Teacher Program, operated by the CAIU, for the 2011-2012 school year at \$95.00/day.

Name: Richard Biggs
Interests: All Subjects, Grades K – 8

Name: Ann Gottlieb
Interests: Elementary, High School

Name: Chris Schaefer
Interests: All Subjects, All Grades

Extra Duty Positions – Middle School Drama

The Board approved the following extra duty positions for the 2011-2012 school year:

Name	Units	Position	Salary
Sharon Snyder	2	Set Painting	\$ 278
Joshua Gutacker	5.75	Set Construct.	799
Joshua Gutacker	2	Tech. Director	278
Jessica Weible	1	Costumes	139
Sharon Snyder	3.36	Choreography	467
Sharon Snyder	3.36	Vocal Direct.	467

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Leave of Absence

The Board approved the FMLA request from Lori Crise, classroom aide at the W.G. Rice Elementary School, for a leave of absence without pay, for health reasons, beginning November 2, 2011 for approximately 12 weeks (January 23, 2012).

Long-Term Substitute – Classroom Aide

The Board approved the following long-term classroom aide substitute:

Name:	Allison Samella
Position:	Classroom Aide (Replacing Lori Crise)
Start Date:	11/3/11 (For approximately 12 weeks)
Rate:	\$9.81/hr.

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board table motion 11.3.4, requesting the approval of Diana Muscato as a 45-day substitute at the W.G. Rice Elementary School (replacing Cindy Landwehr). **The motion passed unanimously.**

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

Kathryn Webber, Student Representative to the Board, reported that the Gifted Program will be working on the Giving Tree Project for the holiday season. She also mentioned the Powder Puff football game scheduled for next week, and that the chorus and Interact Club are preparing for the Veteran's Day breakfast, scheduled for November 10, 2011.

Mr. Hayes thanked Ms. Williams for providing a technology update. He also suggested a presentation be made on the Guest Teacher Program.

Mr. Clepper updated the Board on the school law update meeting that he attended on October 19, 2011.

Mr. Fay thanked Ms. Williams for her technology presentation.

Mr. Slifko thanked Ms. Williams for the technology update, and he commented about obtaining the resumes of substitute and guest teachers.

Mr. Merlie and Mrs. Capozzi thanked Ms. Williams for her technology presentation.

Mr. Winters thanked Ms. Williams for the presentation, and he reviewed the school law update workshop that he recently attended.

Ms. Martin requested that Tom Templeton of PSBA, make a presentation to the Board in the 2012 year regarding school district budgets and cost saving measures.

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Mrs. Knouse announced that the Board would meet in Executive Session at the end of this meeting.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, to adjourn the regular board meeting. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m. For the record: The Board of School Directors went into Executive Session at that time for personnel issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary