

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 4, 2012**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on June 4, 2012, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President, Mr. Thomas Merlie, called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

School Directors

Mr. Steven Bear
Mr. Michael Berk
Mrs. Shelly Capozzi
Mr. Derek Clepper
Mr. Thomas Hayes

Ms. Pamela Martin
Mr. Thomas Merlie
Mr. Paul Slifko
Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent
Janet Adams, Principal – IFEC
David Boley, Principal – Rice
Scott Govern – Athletic Director
Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS
Sharonn Williams – Director of Instructional Tech.
Frederick Withum, Principal - YBMS

Student Representatives

Kathryn Webber

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare

INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board accepts the minutes from the following meetings:

-May 21, 2012 – Regular Board Meeting

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Dr. Sanker reported that Baccalaureate was held last evening. Amber Kane, a teacher, displayed her personal art work at Foundry Day, and, Technology Education Club students assisted in the Blacksmithing booth for Foundry day. Dr. Sanker also commented on the bulletin board prepared by the 5th grade students at Iron Forge Educational Center, and she reminded Board members that Commencement is scheduled for June 7, 2012.

NOTICES, COMMUNICATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mrs. Phyllis Vorodi – Donation of \$500 to the YBMS Music Department.

South Middleton Swim Club - Donation of \$1,000 to the South Middleton School District toward the costs of the cooling fans for the pool seating area.

Harry and Janet Lay – Volunteering to plant and maintain flower beds at entrance to YBMS (Springville Road).

Mr. Duff Manweiler, Agway – Donation of bedding shrubs and flowers for YBMS.

TOPIC DISCUSSION - None

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities Committee

Mr. Slifko reported that the committee met on May 29, 2012, and looked at the concession stand at the BSHS. No extensive repairs are scheduled for the stand. The committee also discussed the diving boards at the high school.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, to approve the agenda of June 4, 2012. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin to table item # 12.11.10 – Resignation of Shelly Lappi, from the position of Assistant Principal at the W.G. Rice Elementary School. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, to approve the following 2012-2013 budget resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

That the Board of School Directors of the South Middleton School District, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania hereby adopts the annual budget of and for said District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2012, as more fully set forth in PDE Form 2028 which was presented at this meeting;

Further, that said Board of School Directors hereby authorizes the expenditure of Twenty Nine million, nine hundred and ten thousand, five hundred and four dollars (\$29,910,504) during the school fiscal year July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, and more particularly and fully detailed in the proposed annual budget as aforesaid; and

Further, that said Board of School Directors does hereby levy a real estate tax of 8.9245 Mills of the assessed valuation (\$.89245 per \$100 of assessed value) on all real estate within the South Middleton School District, pursuant to the authority of "The Public School Code of 1949", as amended for the school fiscal year as aforesaid; and

Further, that said Board of School Directors continues to levy the following taxes heretofore levied pursuant to the authority of "The Local Tax Enabling Act", as amended: (1) Realty Transfer Tax -1/2%; (2) Earned Income Tax - 1.1%; and (3) Local Services Tax - \$10.00.

That said proposed taxes as levied and continued to be levied shall provide revenue for the proposed expenditures authorized above.

Further, that said the Board of School Directors does commit \$5,089,832 of its Unreserved Fund Balance for the following purposes, \$4,604,832 for retirement and insurance rate increases and for future construction projects and \$485,000 for anticipate purchase of textbooks and instructional resources.

Further, that the Board approves the attached resolution implementing the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year in accordance with Act 1 of Special Session of 2006 (see attached).

The motion passed as follows:

Mr. Bear:	Yes	Ms. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Berk:	Yes	Mr. Merlie	Yes

Mrs. Capozzi:	Yes	Mr. Slifko:	No
Mr. Clepper:	No	Mr. Winters:	No
Mr. Hayes:	Yes		

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

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin that the Board approves the Capital Reserve expenditures in the amount of \$97,126 for the 2012-2013 school year as per the attached.

The motion passed as follows:

Mr. Bear:	Yes	Ms. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Berk:	Yes	Mr. Merlie:	Yes
Mrs. Capozzi:	Yes	Mr. Slifko:	Yes
Mr. Clepper:	No	Mr. Winters:	No
Mr. Hayes:	Yes		

Yes – 7, No – 2, Abstentions – 0, Absent – 0

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, that the Board approves the Cafeteria Budget in the amount of \$838,819 for the 2012-2013 school year. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board sets cafeteria prices for the 2012-2013 school year as follows: (Note: Prices reflect a \$.10 increase).

Adult - \$3.45
Boiling Springs High School - \$2.30
Yellow Breeches Middle School - \$2.30
Iron Forge Educational Center - \$2.30
W.G. Rice Elementary School - \$2.20
Milk - \$.50

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes that the Board approves the implementation of a wireless network at the Boiling Springs High School at a cost not-to-exceed of \$46,701. The motion passed as follows:

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Mr. Bear:	Yes	Ms. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Berk:	Yes	Mr. Merlie:	Yes
Mrs. Capozzi:	Yes	Mr. Slifko:	No
Mr. Clepper:	No	Mr. Winters:	No
Mr. Hayes:	Yes		

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

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes that the Board approves the implementation of audio and video recording of Board meetings at a one-time cost not-to-exceed \$5,950, and an annual recurring cost of \$3,400/yr.

The motion failed as follows:

Mr. Bear:	No	Ms. Martin:	No
Mr. Berk:	No	Mr. Merlie	No
Mrs. Capozzi:	No	Mr. Slifko:	No
Mr. Clepper:	No	Mr. Winters:	No
Mr. Hayes:	No		

Yes – 0, No – 9, Abstentions – 0, Absent - 0

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes that the Board awards the bids for the Technology Education (Industrial Arts) education supplies as follows for the 2012-2013 school year:

COMPANY NAME	AMOUNT AWARDED
Agar Welding Service	\$401.30
B & H Photo-Video-Pro Audio	\$1,095.20
Badger Graphic Sales, Inc.	\$701.60
Brodhead Garrett	\$333.38
Forest County Wood Products	\$6,409.10
Lowe's Home Centers, Inc.	\$417.49
Metco Supply, Inc.	\$934.04
Midwest Technology Products	\$1,086.37
Paxton-Patterson	\$950.08
Performance Screen Supply	\$585.26
Pitsco Education / Hearlihy & Co.	\$577.85
Satco Supply	\$922.55
Total	\$14,414.22

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the Agreement for the Special Education Consortium. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves the Second Reading (Final) of the following policies:

- Policy #101 – Mission Statement - Revised
- Policy #101.1 – Philosophy of Education - Revised
- Policy #102 – Academic Standards – Revised
- Policy #102.1 – Educational Goals – New
- Policy #105.1 –Curriculum Review by Parents/Students - Revised
- Policy #106 – Guidelines for Planned Instruction - Revised

- Policy #107 – Adoption of Planned Instruction - Revised
- Policy #109 – Resource Materials - Revised
- Policy #112 – Guidance - Revised
- Policy #115 – Vocational/Technical Education - Revised
- Policy #116 – Tutoring – Revised
- Policy #118 – Independent Study - Revised
- Policy #119 – Current Events – Revised

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the following personnel items in a block motion:

Professional

Return From Leave of Absence - Childrearing

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Vanessa J. Long, first grade teacher at the W.G. Rice Elementary School, that she will be returning to her teaching position at the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year.

Resignation

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of Matthew Heiser from the position of Learning Support teacher at the BSHS, effective June 8, 2012.

Summer School

The Board accepted the resignation of Maria Bessasparis from the position of School Nurse for the 2012 Remedial Summer School Program, effective immediately. (Approved at the May 7, 2012 meeting).

The Board employed the following professional staff for the 2012 Remedial Summer School Program at a rate of \$24.00/hr.

Linda Gibbs – School Nurse (Replacing Maria Bessasparis)

Extended School Year

The Board employed the following special education teachers for the Extended School Year (ESY) program for Summer 2012, contingent upon the courses being offered as a result of adequate enrollment, at a rate of \$35.00/hr. to be paid through IDEA-B funds.

Bersano, Melissa
Hertz, Allyson
High, Patricia

Summer Academy

The Board employed the following Summer Academy staff for the Summer of 2012 at a salary of \$35.00/hr.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Birsch, Ellen	Co-Director
Caldwell, Kelly	Co-Director
Deck, Susan	Teacher
Good, Mary	Teacher
Kuhn, Stephanie	Teacher
Ranck, Ketha	Teacher
Sadler, Lauren	Teacher

Pre-K Summer Camp

The Board employed the following Pre-K Summer Camp staff for the Summer of 2012 at a salary of \$35.00/hr.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Beecher, Megan	Teacher
Scharlau, Kevin	Teacher

Substitute Rate

The Board approved the substitute teacher rate of pay for the 2012-2013 school year at \$95.00/day.

National Board Certification Recognition

The Board authorized a one-time stipend in the total amount of \$3,000 to Mrs. Cindy Bailey, French teacher at the Boiling Springs High School, in recognition of her achievement of National Certification status. The stipend will be divided between the 2011-2012 school year and the 2012-2013 school year (\$1,000 for the 2011-2012 and \$2,000 for 2012-2013).

Classified

Extended School Year – Special Education Aides

The Board employed the following special education aides for the Extended School Year (ESY) program for Summer 2012, contingent upon the course being offered as a result of adequate enrollment. Salaries are to be paid through IDEA-B funds.

Niles, Charisse - \$10.68/hr.
Purvis, Rhonda - \$12.95/hr.

Vreeland, Nancy - \$13.27/hr.

Leave of Absence

That the Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Maria Bessasparis, Building Nurse at the IFEC, indicating that she is rescinding her request for a leave of absence, without pay for the 2012-2013 school year. The request for a leave of absence was approved by the Board on April 16, 2012. The Board rescinded the approval.

Employment

The Board employed the following summer maintenance/grounds worker at \$8.00/hr.:

Name: Andrew Mellott
Address: 7 Wesley Drive
Carlisle, PA
Starting Date: June 11, 2012

The motion passed unanimously.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Merlie reported that he attended the South Middleton Township meeting. It was a brief meeting. Mr. Berk will be able to attend the next meeting.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Katie Webber, student representative to the Board, reported that the last day of school for students is June 7, 2012.

Mr. Berk thanked everyone for a good school year.

Mr. Hayes thanked everyone for a good school year and commented that the middle school social was a success.

Mr. Clepper commented that he was looking forward to Commencement.

Mr. Slifko commented on the wonderful Patriotic assembly at Rice. He also spoke about the sale of books "scam" posted on Big Spring School District's website.

Ms. Martin commented on the TSA booth at Foundry Day.

Mr. Winters thanked Mr. Govern for coaching.

Mr. Merlie thanked Mr. Govern for coaching and wished everyone a good summer.

FOR THE RECORD

The Board of School Directors met in Executive Session this evening, prior to the start of the Regular Board meeting to discuss a personnel matter. The Board convened Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. and came out of Executive Session at 7:09 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. and returned to Regular Session at 8:54 p.m. Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary