

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
August 19, 2013**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on August 5, 2013, 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 7:00 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. Alan Moyer, Superintendent  
Dr. Frederick S. Withum, Assistant Superintendent  
David Bitner, Assistant Principal - YBMS  
David Boley, Principal - Rice  
Connie Connolly, Director of Special Education  
Tina Darchicourt – Accounting Specialist  
Patrick Dieter – Director of Athletics  
Andrew Glantz – Director of Buildings/Grounds  
Joseph Mancuso – Principal – BSHS  
Jesse White – Principal – YBMS  
Sharonn Williams – Director of Instructional Technology

**Student Representatives**

Derek Snyder - Absent

**Visitors**

See attachment to the minutes.

**Board Secretary**

Richard R. Vensel

**Solicitor**

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

## **INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION**

Susan Day, District Justice, administered the Oath of Office to the South Middleton School District School Police, serving for the 2013-2014 school year.

## **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION**

Carol Yanity spoke in support of the elementary library position. She felt it was an important position to keep.

Jennifer Taylor spoke in support of Coach Rodney Wright.

Scott Murphy spoke in support of Coach Rodney Wright and requested that due process take place.

## **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the minutes of following meeting:

-August 5, 2013– Regular Board Meeting

**The motion passed unanimously.**

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

Dr. Moyer commented that the new teacher induction program was held today.

Dr. Withum also commented that the new teacher induction program was held today and the meeting about the new digital learning center was a success.

Mr. Vensel reported that the local auditors are here and the support services are preparing for the opening of school.

## **NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The Board acknowledged the donation of \$100 to the Boiling Springs High School Golf team by Henri Leri, in memory of his sister, Eleanor Ponzani.

The Board acknowledged the donation of \$75 to the Boiling Springs High School Golf team by Licia Ponzani, in memory of her mother, Eleanor Ponzani.

**TOPIC DISCUSSION**

The Administration made a presentation about enrollment, staffing and the programmatic options for the District for the 2013-2014 school year.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Policy Committee**

Mr. Clepper reported that the committee met earlier this evening and reviewed Policy #249 (Bullying) as well as reviewing Policy #300, #301, #302, and #303 which deal with the employment of administrators. Several of these policies will be on the next board agenda for a First Reading.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Capozzi made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves the agenda of August 19, 2013, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board amend the agenda to add item #12.7, to authorize the administration to fill the elementary library position. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the transportation routes and bus stops for the 2013-2014 school year, and authorizes the Superintendent and Business Manager to make necessary changes to these routes and bus stops during the school year. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the following items be approved in a block motion:

The Board approved the list of school buses and school bus drivers, for the 2013-2014 school year.

The Board approved the agreement between the Capital Area School for the Arts Charter School and the South Middleton School District for one (1) student to attend Capital Area School for the Arts Charter School for the 2013-2014 school year. Cost: \$2,500 per student credit for services provided to the District. It is anticipated that the total student cost hereunder will reflect two credits, or \$5,000.

The Board approved the 2013-2014 contract agreement with Northwest Human Services to provide autistic support services to seven (7) special education students at a total cost of \$251,821.

**PERSONNEL**

**PROFESSIONAL**

**Employment**

The Board approved the following personnel items:

**Guest Teachers**

The Board added the following personnel to the list of professional substitutes (guest teachers – through the CAIU) for the 2013-2014 school year. (see attached)

The Board added the following personnel to the list of professional substitutes for the 2013-2014 school year:

Name: John Radkiewicz, III  
Certification: Social Studies

**Extra Duty – Athletics - Resignations**

The Board approved the resignation of the following personnel from the extra duty athletic positions for the 2013-2014 school year, effective immediately:

Robert Waynick – Assistant Varsity Soccer Coach  
Natalie Lebo – JV Head Girls Volleyball  
Kathleen Persak – Assistant Girls Varsity Soccer

**Extra Duty – Athletics – Volunteers**

The Board approved the following volunteer athletic coaches for the 2013-2014 school year:

Robert Waynick – Varsity Boys Soccer  
Natalie Lebo – JV Girls Volleyball  
Kathleen Persak – Girls Varsity Soccer

**Extra Duty – Team Leaders/Department Chairs**

The Board approved the listing of Team Leaders/Department Chairs for the 2013-2014 school year.

**Extra Duty - Mentors**

The Board approved the listing of mentors for the 2013-2014 school year.

The Board approved the change of status for the teachers listed below from “Temporary Professional Employee” to “Professional Employee.”

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Date Employed</u>
Kohan, Suzette <b>Resignation</b>	English - BSHS	October 2009

The Board accepted the resignation of Brittany Myers, from the position of short-term school psychologist, effective immediately.

The Board accepted the resignation of Rachel Broome, from the position of long-term first grade substitute at the W.G. Rice Elementary School, effective immediately.

**Classified**

**Employment**

The Board added the following personnel to the substitute classroom aide list for the 2013-2014 school year:

Name: Renee Blanchard  
Position: Substitute – Classroom aide  
Salary: \$10.14/hr.

**Resignation**

The Board accepted the resignation of Charisse Niles from the position of special education aide, effective August 12, 2013.

The Board accepted the resignation of Kim M. Bollinger, from the position of special education aide at the Yellow Breeches Middle School, effective August 14, 2013.

The Board authorized the Administration to fill the Elementary Library position as the W.G. Rice Elementary School.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**South Middleton Township – No Report**

**South Middleton Parks & Recreation**

Mr. Hayes reported on the planned events of a movie in the park and the upcoming fireworks.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

Ms. Martin welcomed everyone who attended this evening's meeting.

Mr. Bear thanked Dr Withum for his presentation and wished everyone success with the first day of school.

Mr. Winters commented that the digital learning center meeting went very well.

Mr. Slifko, Mrs. Capozzi, and Mr. Clepper thanked the librarians for their presentations.

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Mr. Hayes commented that the digital school presentation went well. He also commented that the Board needs to be thinking about the budget for the 2014-2015 school year.

Mr. Berk thanked the librarians for the input and commented that the IFEC building needs to be addressed.

Mr. Merlie thanked the administration for their presentation and wished everyone well with the opening of school.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

**FOR THE RECORD**

The Board met in Executive Session on a personnel issue from 6:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. this evening.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:46 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session and returned to Regular Session at 9:55 p.m.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper, that the Board approves the following extra duty, athletic positions for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Exp.</u>	<u>Uts.</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Long.</u>
Merlie, Matt	Assist. Var. Football	1	0	19	\$ 2,641.00	\$ -
Bandura, Jennifer	Varsity Assist. Field Hockey	4	3	17	\$ 2,363.00	\$ -
Alichwer, Ryan	Assist. Var. Boys Soccer	2	1	17	\$ 2,363.00	\$ -
Stoey, Amanda	JV Head Girls Volleyball	1	0	12	\$ 1,668.00	\$ -
Robinson, David	Assist. Girls Var. Soccer	2	1	17	\$ 2,363.00	\$ -

The motion passed as follows:

**Mr. Steven Bear - Yes**

**Mr. Michael Berk - Yes**

**Mrs. Shelly Capozzi - Yes**

**Mr. Derek Clepper - Yes**

**Mr. Thomas Hayes - Yes**

**Ms. Pamela Martin - Absent**

**Mr. Thomas Merlie - Abstained**

**Mr. Paul Slifko - Yes**

**Mr. Robert Winters - Yes**

**7 – Yes, 0 – No, 1 – Abstention, 1 Absent**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:57 p.m. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel  
Board Secretary