

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 18, 2014**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on August 18, 2014, in the Iron Forge Educational Center Board Room 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. Thomas Hayes
Mr. Thomas Merlie

Mrs. Elizabeth Miekranz
Mr. Paul Slifko
Mr. Robert Winters
Mr. Scott Witwer - **Absent**

Administrative Staff

Dr. Alan Moyer, Superintendent
Dr. Joseph Mancuso, Assistant Superintendent
David Bitner, Assist. Principal - YBMS
David Boley, Principal - Rice
Connie Connolly, Director of Special Education
Mark Correll, Assist. Principal
Tina Darchicourt – Assist. Business Manager
Patrick Dieter – Athletic Director
Andrew Glantz – Director of Buildings/Grounds
Jesse White – Principal YBMS

Student Representatives

None

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare

INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

The Honorable Susan K. Day, District Justice, administered the oath of office to the 2014-2015 South Middleton School District School Police.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION – None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meeting: August 4, 2014 – Regular Board Meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approved the following:

The Board approved payment of the bills for June 2014, represented by checks #50556 to #50745 inclusive, in the amount of \$3,213,219.11.

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for June 2014 - Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #14800 to #14832 inclusive, in the amount of \$58,523.28 and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved the requisitions payable from the Capital Reserve Fund (PSDLAF) for June 2014, represented by checks #22313 to #22319 in the amount of \$60,720.89.

The Board approved the requisitions payable from the Construction Fund (PLGIT) for June 2014, in the amount of \$174,006.01.

The Board approved payment of the bills for July 2014, represented by checks #50746 to #50817 inclusive, in the amount of \$1,742,130.10.

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for July 2014 - Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #14824 to #14837 inclusive, in the amount of \$10,171.22 and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved the requisitions payable from the Construction Fund (PLGIT) for July 2014, in the amount of \$6,815.00. **The motion passed unanimously.**

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS – None

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Athletic Committee

Mr. Hayes reported that the Athletic Committee met earlier this evening. There was a re-cap of a medical situation that occurred at a soccer game last year. Discussion also revolved around a “drill” later this year to test coach readiness. PIAA has new rules for coach training that will be

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effective in July 2018. The cross country team came to express their gratitude toward Mr. Boyer.

Policy Committee

Mrs. Capozzi reported that the committee met earlier this evening and reviewed Policies #122.1 and 122.2, dealing with drug testing in school.

Technology Committee

Mr. Hayes reported that the committee met earlier this evening. An update was provided about the summer activities, a grant initiative, planned fall activities, and proposed board presentations.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS of the SUPERINTENDENT/STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Dr. Moyer reported that the schools are fully staffed, and fourth grade orientation was occurring this evening. New teacher induction was conducted today, and he thanked Mr. Merlie and Dr. Mancuso for their assistance with the induction program. Tomorrow is an in-service day for all employees.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves the agenda of June 9, 2014, with all corrections as indicated, and to amend the agenda to add items #11.10.10 and 11.10.11 to the agenda. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the Board approves four (4) representatives to attend the PASA-PSBA School Leadership Conference, offered at a group price of \$1,000. The conference is scheduled for October 21 – 24, 2014, in Hershey, PA. **The motion passed unanimously.**

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

The Board approved the appointment of Max D. Leo as Student Representative to the Board for the 2014-2015 and the 2015-2016 school years.

The Board authorized the Administration to submit Plan Con Part F of the Iron Forge Educational Center Renovation Project to PDE.

The Board approved the transportation routes and bus stops for the 2014-2015 school year, and authorized the Superintendent and Business Manager to make necessary changes to these routes and bus stops during the school year.

The Board approved the list of school buses and school bus drivers for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Board approved the breakfast prices for the 2014-2015 school year @ BSHS & YBMS: \$1.75

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The Board approved the donation of \$1,000 to the South Middleton Fireworks Fund to assist in the cost of the fireworks scheduled for August 31, 2014

The Board authorized the Administration to enter into a contract with the Capital Area Intermediate Unit to provide nonpublic Title I services for the 2014-2015 school year.

Personnel Items

Professional - Employment

The Board employed the following professional personnel:

Long-Term Substitute

Lori J. Boley,

Position: Long-Term Special Education Teacher - BSHS (replacing James Lithgow)
from 8/25/14 - TBD

Certification: Emergency Certification in Special Education

Salary: Bachelor's, Step 1, \$42,777 (pro-rated)

Vita Alpoyanis

Certification: Spanish

Position: Long-Term Spanish Teacher - BSHS - (replacing Katherine Doncel-Slantz -
From 8/25/14 through January 2015

Salary: Bachelor's, Step 1, \$42,777 (pro-rated)

Debra B. Dicker

Position: Short-Term Social Studies Teacher - BSHS (replacing Michael MacIvor)
from 8/25/14 for approximately 6 weeks

Salary: Bachelor's, Step 1, \$42,777 (pro-rated)

Mentor Teachers

The Board employed mentor teachers for the 2014-2015 school year:

Guest Teachers

The Board approved adding guest teachers to the substitute list for the 2014-2015 school year:

Name: Michelle Copley, Interests: Grades K-8

Name: Jody Keys, PA Interests: Grades K-8

Name: Jennifer Vyskocil, PA Interests: All Grade Levels

Professional Substitutes

The Board approved adding the following professionals to the teacher substitute list for the 2014-2015 school year:

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Name: Nicole Sunderland,
Certification: Health/Physical Education

Volunteer Coaches

The Board approved the following volunteer coaches:

Lisa McDowell - Girls Volleyball
Craig Willacy - Field Hockey
Jestine Angelini - Field Hockey

Resignation - Extra Duty

The Board accepted the resignation of James Boyer, from the position of Head Girls' and Boys' Cross Country coach, effective immediately.

Resignation

The Board accepted the resignation of Bethanne Sellers, from the position of secondary Literacy Coach, effective October 3, 2014.

Classified - Employment

The Board employed the following classified personnel:

Name: Kathie J. Diehl,
Position: Full-Time Special Education Aide (multidisabilities classroom - new position)
Salary: \$10.35/hr./182/yr.

Name: Nancy J. Vreeland,
Position: Full-Time Special Education Aide (multidisabilities classroom - new position)
Salary: \$14.00/hr/182/yr.

Name: Kelsey White
Position - Substitute Special Education Aide
Salary: \$10.35/hr

Retirement

The Board approved the resignation of George Lybrand for the purpose of retirement, from the position of custodian at the IFEC, effective October 17, 2014.

Appointment

The Board appointed Tina L. Darchicourt as the Acting Business and Operations Manager, effective immediately, for the South Middleton School District.

The Board authorized the Administration to take all steps necessary to add Tina L. Darchicourt's name, as the Acting Business and Operations Manager, for the South

Middleton School District, to all the District financial accounts for check signing privileges, to make necessary financial transfers between school district accounts and financial investments for the District.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves the donation of \$1,000 to the South Middleton Fireworks Fund to assist in the cost of the fireworks scheduled for August 31, 2014. On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

Mr. Bear: Yes
Mr. Berk: Yes
Mrs. Capozzi: No
Mr. Hayes: Yes
Mr. Merlie: Yes

Mrs. Miekranz - Yes
Mr. Slifko: Yes
Mr. Winters: Yes
Mr. Witwer: Yes

7 – Yes, 1 – No, Abstentions – 0, Absent: - 1

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS - None

FOR THE RECORD

There were Executive Sessions of the Board held prior to the start of the regular board meeting this evening, and after the regular board meeting was adjourned to discuss a personnel matter.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:28 p.m.
The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary