

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2009**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on April 6, 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 7:05 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

Janet Adams, Principal – IFEC

Barbara Alitto, Director of Special Education

David Boley, Principal – Rice

Mark Correll, Assistant Principal – BSHS

Shelly Lappi, Assistant Principal - Rice

Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS

Sharonn Williams – Director of Instructional Technology

Dr. Fred Withum, Principal – YBMS

Student Representatives to the Board

Brendan D. VanGorder

Jayson Schaufert - **Absent**

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare

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INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

Ms. Mary Rodman, Director of the Cumberland-Perry Vocational Technical School introduced Wesley Sheaffer, a South Middleton School District student attending the VoTech School. He spoke to the Board and the public about his training and education as a health occupation student.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

-March 16, 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 congratulated the Yellow Breeches Middle School students on the well done musical, *The Real Princess and the Pea*. Dr. Sanker also reported that the professional staff was completing parent/teacher conferences, and the Boiling Springs High School has a Career Day scheduled for April 7, 2009.

Mr. Vensel reported that he recently attended a three day conference held by PASBO, and that he attended a CAPTAX Executive Board meeting where a discussion of Act 32 was held.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves the agenda of April 6, 2009, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.** (Note: Item numbers 11.7 and 11.8 were added to the agenda at this time.)

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay, that the Board approves the following planned courses of study. Each course has been aligned with the PA Academic Standards for that subject.

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Music

Grade 6 Chorus
Grade 7 and 8 Band
High School Chorus
History of American Popular Music
Music Theory I

Technology Education

Grade 8 Technology Education

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knouse, to approve all of the following as a block motion:

The Board approved the 2009-2010 Yellow Breeches Middle School Planning Guide as recommended by the Education Committee of the Board.

The Board approved the following senior as a candidate for graduation 2009 upon meeting the graduation requirements as established and adopted by the South Middleton School District Board of School Directors in compliance with the Commonwealth's guidelines.

Jacquelyn Claire Paxton

The Board approved the application (PDE Form 3074(a)) for non-reimbursable construction project for the Boiling Springs High School to complete flooring upgrades, locker replacement, plumbing, etc., at a not-to-exceed cost of \$430,000. (see attachment)

The Board approved the following personnel items:

PERSONNEL

EMPLOYMENT

The Board employed the following professional staff:

Name: Abby L. Gioiosa
Certification: Biology
Position: Biology Teacher - BSHS (Replacing Mr. Mills)
Starting Date: 2009-2010 School Year
Salary: Bachelor's, Step 4 - \$39,891

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

The Board employed the following substitute teacher for the 2008-2009 school year.

Name: Tammy Fitzgerald
Certification: English

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LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

The Board employed the following substitute teacher:

Name: Anna Sharp
Certification: Elementary
Position: Grade 6 – YBMS – (Replacing Amanda Kemp –
Childrearing Leave)
Starting Date: Retroactive to February 23, 2009 to end of 2008-2009
school year
Salary: Bachelor's, Step 1 - \$37,912 (pro-rated)

REMEDIAL SUMMER SCHOOL

The Board employed the following professional staff for the 2009 Remedial Summer School Program, contingent upon the courses being offered as a result of adequate enrollment, at a rate of \$24.00/hour.

Trish Zimmerman – English – Grades 9 & 10
Jessica Cickocki – English – Grades 11 & 12
Michael Miller – Middle School English
Amy Martin – Middle School Reading
Robert Dutrey – Global Issues
Courtney Semmel – Middle School Social Studies
Joseph Harker – Earth Science/Physical Science
Alan Mills – Biology and Middle School Life Science
Brooke Harker – Algebra I, Algebra II and/or Geometry
Anna Kate Yinger – Health/Physical Education
Mary Beth Hassan – You and Your Career/Microsoft Office
Anna Kate Yinger – Middle School Creative Arts

The Board authorized the Administration to enter into a contract with Prismworks Technology, Inc. for the purchase and installation of SmartBoards, related hardware, and a new clock system at the Yellow Breeches Middle School in the amount of \$139,998.98.

The Board authorized the administration to engage Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates to design and to obtain bids for the renovations to the Iron Forge Educational Center gymnasium and the W.G. Rice Elementary School cafeteria.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Brendan Van Gorder thanked the Board for the PSSA incentives and reported that the recent band trip went very well.

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Mr. Clepper complimented the middle school students and staff on the recent production of the school musical, *The Real Princess and the Pea*. He is looking forward to speaking at Career Day scheduled for April 7, 2009.

Mr. Berk reported that CAPTAX recently launched their new website.

Mr. Fay commented on the two letters provided in the Board packet – one was from the VoTech School congratulating Troy Bankert and Brandy Morrison in placing in the top three of the 2009 Skills USA District Competition. He also mentioned the recent letter received from Len Meledanri complimenting the Boiling Springs High School students and staff on the recent musical production of *Little Women*.

Mr. Slifko commented on the recent purchase of mobile computer labs.

Mrs. Knouse complimented Yellow Breeches Middle School students and staff on the recent school musical.

Mr. Winters spoke about the National Board Certification of teachers.

Mrs. Capozzi complimented the Boiling Springs High School on the school musical, *Little Women*.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, to adjourn the meeting and it was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary