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

# SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES November 4, 2013

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on November 4, 2013, 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 7:02 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 - Absent

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. Janet Adams, Principal – IFEC
David Bitner, Assist. Principal - YBMS
David Boley, Principal - Rice
Connie Connolly, Director of Special Education
Mark Correll – Assist. Principal - BSHS
Tina Darchicourt – Accounting Specialist
Dr. Joseph Mancuso – Principal – BSHS
Dr. Jesse White – Principal – YBMS

### **Student Representatives**

Derek Snyder Helene Tiley

#### **Visitors**

See attachment to the minutes.

#### **Board Secretary**

Richard R. Vensel

#### Solicitor

Philip H. Spare

#### **INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION - None**

#### CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Darren Reighard, Jon Goodson, Maria Kruegler, Noah Reighard and Anna Amsbaugh all spoke in support of the Mr. James Boyer, Cross Country Coach. They all urged the Board to consider him for employment, if an appropriate teaching position becomes available.

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

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

-October 21, 2013 - Regular Board Meeting

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

Dr. Moyer informed the Board that he had attended the meeting of delegates at HACC last week. Enrollment is down four percent and a middle states evaluation is underway. At the November 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, Dr. Moyer and administrators will be making a presentation on student achievement.

Mr. Vensel reported to the Board that meetings have been held with staff members to discuss the Iron Forge Educational project.

#### NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Board acknowledged receipt of a \$500 donation from Mrs. Edith Rob. The donation is for the South Middleton School District Student Activity Account (Debate Team).

#### **TOPIC DISCUSSION**

Susan R.S. Pinti, Executive Director of the Cumberland County Tax Bureau, reviewed the Earned Income Tax with Board members and the public.

Cory Adams, Township Manager, and Duff Manweiler, Township Supervisor, reviewed with the Board members and the public, the master plan for the Spring Meadow Park.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Dr. Mancuso reported that the Education Committee met earlier this evening. The committee heard a presentation by Brooke Myers, a former BSHS graduate and student

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at West Chester University about World Languages program. The committee also reviewed the ESEA flex waiver.

#### **FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Mr. Berk reported that the committee met earlier this evening and reviewed capital reserve expenditures and heard a presentation by Mr. Vincent on school safety.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board table Item #12.2. (Motion to approve the Settlement Agreement and Release between the South Middleton School District and Shelly J. Lappi.) The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the Board approves the agenda of November 7, 2013, as amended, and with all corrections as indicated. The motion passed unanimously.

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

The Board approved the First Reading of the following policy:

-Policy #916 - Volunteers

#### **PERSONNEL**

The Board approved the following personnel items:

#### **Professional**

# **Employment – Guest Teachers**

The Board approved adding the following guest teachers to the 2013-2014 substitute list:

Name:

Sharon Brandt

Interests:

All Grade Levels

#### **Employment - Professional Substitutes**

The Board approved adding the following professional to the 2013-2014 substitute list:

Name:

Dinah Schaszberger

Certification: English/Reading Specialist

Name:

Debra Dicker

Certification: English/Social Studies

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# **Employment – Extra Duty – Co-Curricular**

The Board approved the following substitute as a Homework Club Advisor at \$35.00/hr.: Tara Trostle

#### **Fall Drama Club Position**

The Board approved the position of Fall Drama Director to be paid at 7.5 units at \$139/unit for a total of \$1,042.50. This position will be paid for through the BSHS Drama Club funds. Director: Elizabeth Angelozzi. The motion passed unanimously.

#### CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Terry Fisher thanked the Board for providing time for the public to meet the candidates for the position of Superintendent. She also commented about the excellent snow/emergency school closing contact information.

#### **ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# **Cumberland-Perry Vo-Tech**

Mr. Winters reported that the joint committee met on October 28, 2013. A preliminary budget for 2014-2015 was reviewed, salary ranges were set, and two staffing positions are open.

#### **PSBA Legislative Report**

Mr. Merlie reported that Act 76 proposed legislation regarding property tax reform has not progressed in the legislature.

#### South Middleton Township - No Report

South Middleton Parks & Recreation - No Report

# RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Derek Snyder, student representative to the Board, reported on the activities of the FBLA and Math Madness.

Ellie Tiley reported on the Debate Club and the scheduled Powder Puff football game.

Mr. Berk commented on the Holy Spirit Career Day program. Three students from BSHS participated. He also commented on the good job the marching bands were doing in the parades.

Mr. Hayes commented that the band is having a good time and fifth quarter is a great event.

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Mr. Clepper commented on the success of the Discovery Dance.

Mr. Slifko commented on the book sale at YBMS.

Mr. Winters commented on the Veteran's Day breakfast scheduled for Friday.

Ms. Martin wished everyone well in the election and expressed her appreciation for Brooke Myers' presentation at the Education Committee meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:58 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### FOR THE RECORD

The Board went into Executive Session after the regular board meeting was adjourned for a personnel matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel Board Secretary