

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2015**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on February 23, 2015, in the Boiling Springs High School Cafeteria for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President, Mrs. Shelly Capozzi, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

School Directors

Mr. Steven Bear - **Absent**
Mr. Michael Berk
Mrs. Shelly Capozzi
Mr. Thomas Hayes
Mr. Thomas Merlie

Mrs. Elizabeth Meikrantz
Mr. Paul Slifko
Mr. Robert Winters
Mr. Scott Witwer

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
Patrick Dieter, Athletic Director
Joel Hain, Principal – BSHS
Trisha Reed, Principal – IFEC
Sharonn Williams, Director of Inst.Tech.

Student Representatives

Max D. Leo
Helene “Ellie” Tiley

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel – Absent

Assistant Board Secretary

Tina L. Darchicourt

Solicitor

Gareth Pahowka

INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION – None

Dr. Moyer acknowledged the receipt of the donation from the PPG Foundation in the amount of \$3,500 for the purchase of a Laser Engraver. He thanked Mr. Tom Abbas of PPG for his assistance.

Mr. Dieter and Mr. Wright recognized and congratulated the 2015 Boiling Springs High School wrestling team on their recent achievement of capturing the 2015 AA State Wrestling Championship. Mr. Wright and the team captain, Mr. Vaughn thanked everyone for their support throughout the season.

Jenna Boley, a student, was introduced by Ms. Williams. Jenna reported to the Board on her recent experiences at the PETE & C conference.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meeting: February 2, 2015 – Planning/Regular Board Meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Hayes asked Mrs. Darchicourt to report on a correction to our Standard & Poors rating in the audit report. In the 2014 annual audit, the Standard & Poors rating for South Middleton School District was changed to AA/Standard. It was incorrectly stated in our original audit report.

Mr. Hayes made a correction to 7.3 on the agenda. The requisitions payable from the construction funds for January 2015 is \$12,191.33, and with this correction, Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves the following:

January 2015

The Board approved the payment of the bills for January 2015, represented by checks #51731 to #51869 inclusive, in the amount of \$3,049,358.10.

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for January 2015 - Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #14925 to #14944 inclusive, in the amount of \$28,742.97 and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved the requisitions payable from the Construction Fund (PLGIT) for January 2015, in the amount of \$12,191.33.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

Dr. Moyer reported that the Winter Newsletter has been distributed. Iron Forge Elementary School experienced no heat on Friday, and he thanked Andy, Sharonn, Joel, and Mark for their assistance. A TSA conference was hosted by BSHS this past Saturday, and Dr. Moyer thanked Mr. Slifko and Mr. Winters for their assistance with setting up for the event. At the Cumberland-Perry Vo-Tech, Matthew Bell took first place in the electronics competition. PASBO sent a letter to Dr. Moyer recognizing Tina Darchicourt for recently achieving her Master's degree in business. Melissa Beers, School Board President, at the East Pennsboro School District thanked SMSD for the use of pipe heaters this past weekend. The musical, *Funny Girl*, is scheduled for this weekend. The school calendar for the 2015-2016 school year is in process.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

Mr. Merlie reported that the committee met earlier this evening. Policies #304, 317, 806 and 916 were reviewed. All of these policies have to do with the child protection laws.

Technology Committee

Mr. Hayes reported that the committee met earlier this evening. Two students enthusiastically reported to the committee on their recent attendance at the PETE & C Conference. The technology budget for 2015-2016 was reviewed, with a 1.5% increase.

Fundraising Committee

Mrs. Meikrantz reported that the committee met last week, and they are making progress toward the goal of establishing an improved way for corporations and individuals to provide donations to the District.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the Board approves the agenda of February 23, 2015, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Meikrantz, that the Board approves PlanCon H for the IFEC Renovation Project, and authorizes the Administration to forward it to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, that the Board approves the by-laws for the Yellow Breeches Middle School Band. **The motion passed unanimously.**

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

Professional - Employment

Professional Substitutes

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

Name: Taylor Ruhe, Certification: English

Extra Duty - Department Chair

The Board employed the following extra duty, department chair for the 2014-2015 school year:

Christopher Leese - Split Team Department Chair (replacing Courtney Semmel)
\$1,132 (1/2 year for 2014-2015)

Resignations

Resignation - Extra Duty - Athletics

The Board accepted the resignation of Jordan Darchicourt from the position of Assistant Varsity Softball Coach, effective immediately.

Classified - Resignation

The Board accepted the resignation of Judy Kennedy, from the position of part-time cafeteria aide, at the W.G. Rice Elementary School

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION ITEMS

Dr. Moyer reported that Corrine Zatkos is completing her administrative internship through York College at the Boiling Springs High School for this semester.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:57 p.m.
The motion was unanimously approved.

FOR THE RECORD

Following the adjournment of the regular board meeting, the Board went into Executive Session for personnel matters at 8:00 p.m. The Executive Session ended at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Darchicourt
Assistant Board Secretary