

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 7, 2008**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on April 7, 2008, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

School Directors

Mr. Michael Berk- **Absent**
Mrs. Shelly Capozzi
Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr.
Mr. Mark Juliana
Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse

Ms. Pamela Martin
Mr. Paul Slifko, III
Mrs. Kimberly Vensel
Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent
David Boley, Assistant Principal
Mark Correll, Assistant Principal

Student Representatives to the Board

Jeremy Wallace

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary (Non Member)

Jeffrey Ammerman

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

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ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meetings:

- March 3, 2008 – Regular Board Meeting
- March 10, 2008- Special Board Meeting
- March 17, 2008 – Regular Board Meeting

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION- None

TOPIC DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the goals that were compiled from previous meetings. Ms. Martin assigned responsibility for which Board member or Board committee would monitor the progress toward these goals.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vensel, that the Board approves the agenda of April 7, 2008 with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approves the 2008-2009 budget for the Harrisburg Area Community College in the amount of \$62,374,715 and authorizes the Board delegate to cast a vote in the affirmative. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approves the 2008-2009 Capital Area Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget in the amount of \$5,552,879 and agrees to accept the District's **amended** share of \$27,112.34 as set forth in Act 177 of the 1986 Public School Code and to be incorporated in the District's 2008-2009 budget. (The Board approved the CAIU budget on 3/17/08; however the district's share has been amended as per the attachment). **The motion passed 7-0 with Mr. Fay abstaining.**

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

That the Board approves a one year contract agreement with Therabilities for the 2008-2009 school year to provide occupational and physical therapy services to eligible students attending South Middleton School District. The contract agreement is for 72 days of occupational therapy at a per diem rate of \$449.00 and 100 hours of physical therapy at an hourly rate of \$75.00.

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The Board approved the request of Kelly Carothers to extend her childrearing leave of absence. Kelly was scheduled to return on April 16, 2008, as approved by the Board on November 19, 2007. Kelly is requesting an extension of her leave, scheduling her return on May 1, 2008 (see attachment).

The Board approved the request of Hannah K.S. Sollenberger, Reading Specialist at Iron Forge Educational Center, for a childrearing leave of absence beginning August 20, 2008, for a period of one year, returning for the 2009-2010 school year, as per Article III, Section D, of the Articles of Agreement between the SMSD and the South Middleton Education Association.

The Board approved the following extra duty athletic position for the 2007-2008 school year:

Name	Position	Step	Exp.	Unts.	Salary
Adams, Jack	Asst. JV Baseball	1	0	12	\$1,488

The Board approved the following guest teacher for the 2007-2008 school year:

Name: Colleen Young-Wetzel

CLASSIFIED STAFF

The Board employed the following substitute classroom aide at \$8.99/hr. for the 2007-2008 school year:

Name: Shana Peery
Starting Date: Immediately

The Board employed the following substitute custodian at \$9.39/hr. for the 2007-2008 school year:

Name: George W. Lybrand
Starting Date: April 8, 2008

All of the items in the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Fay made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knouse, that the Board employs Mrs. Courtney McLaughlin, a doctoral student in psychology, as a Psychologist Intern for the 2008-2009 school year for a 210 day period at \$15,000/year or \$71.43/day. Mrs. McLaughlin will work under the supervision of licensed school psychologist Dr. Ray Christener.

Mr. Winters expressed concern that the stipend for Mrs. McLaughlin was small, based upon her qualifications. He felt the amount was insulting. Mrs. Alitto indicated that the amount offered was at the higher end of what

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was offered by other Districts in the area. She indicated Mrs. McLaughlin was happy to be selected and with the money offered.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay, that the Board approves the promotion of Assistant Elementary Principal David Boley to Principal of the W. G. Rice Elementary School beginning July 1, 2008, a 251 day position, at the salary of \$79,000. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Fay made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knouse, that the Board accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Dennis Minnich, Social Studies teacher at Boiling Springs High School, effective June 6, 2008 and extends our thanks for 36 years of exceptional instruction to the students at Boiling Springs High School. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Andrea Fought, English teacher at Boiling Springs High School, effective June 6, 2008 and extends our thanks for 35 years of exceptional instruction to the students at Boiling Springs High School. **The motion passed unanimously.**

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION- None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Slifko made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mrs. Vensel and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey S. Ammerman
Board Secretary