

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2010**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on April 6, 2010, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President, Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse, 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

Mrs. Shelly Capozzi

Mr. Derek Clepper

Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr.

Mr. Thomas Hayes

Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse

Ms. Pamela Martin

Mr. Thomas Merlie

Mr. Paul Slifko

Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent

Dr. Sandra J. Tippet, Assistant Superintendent

Janet Adams, Principal - IFEC

Barbara Alitto, Special Ed. Director

David Boley, Principal - Rice

Mark Correll, Assistant Principal – BSHS

Shelly Lappi, Assistant Principal - Rice

Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS

Sharonn Williams, Director of Instruct. Technology

Frederick Withum, Principal - YBMS

Student Representatives to the Board

Brendan D. VanGorder - **Absent**

Molly Dowling - **Absent**

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare

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INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION - None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meeting:

-March 15, 2010 – Regular Board Meeting

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Dr. Sanker commented the three murals completed by Billy Knouse for the VFW. She also reminded Board members of upcoming meetings and reviewed the budget meeting dates. Dr. Sanker also spoke about the Bubbler Foundation 10th Anniversary Dinner and Silent Auction scheduled for May 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Tippett spoke about the PSSA testing scheduled for next week and the technology committee meeting scheduled for tomorrow.

Mr. Vensel remarked that the Cumberland County Tax Committee approved the West Shore Tax Collection Bureau to provide the county-wide tax collection services. The State auditors have completed the audit and have reviewed the audit with the Board. Mr. Vensel will attend the Township meeting scheduled for April 8, 2010, to address the request for a waiver in connection to the placement of modular classrooms at the W.G. Rice Elementary School site.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS – None

TOPIC DISCUSSION - None

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, to approve the agenda, as amended, for April 6, 2010.

The following are the amendments to the agenda:

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that item #11.2 be tabled for review by the Facilities Committee. **On a roll call vote, the vote was unanimous to table item #11.2.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the following motion be added to the agenda (Item #11.2a) and approved:

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That the Board authorizes Mr. Vensel to attend the South Middleton Township meeting on April 8, 2010, to submit a request for a land development waiver to the Township for the possible construction of modular classrooms at the W.G. Rice Elementary School, and authorizes payment to Derek & Edson Associates for work completed on the waiver request to date, at a not-to-exceed cost of \$2,000.00. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Note: Item #11.7 was removed from the agenda. There will be no field trip this year to attend the BattleBots competition. Also, Item #4 was held until the end of the meeting.

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board awards the bid for the Boiling Springs High School band uniforms to the Stanbury Company at a price of \$53,287.15. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, to approve all of the of the following in a block motion:

The Board approved an overnight field trip request by Mr. Jarrett and Mr. Fetterolf to take ten members of the Technology Student Association (TSA) to Seven Springs, PA for the State competition from Wednesday, April 14, 2010 through Saturday, April 17, 2010.

The Board approved an overnight field trip request by Ms. Ferrell, Mr. Waynick and members of the ATC staff to take approximately five Outdoor Adventure students on an overnight hike on the Appalachian Trail on Friday, May 21, 2010, and returning on Saturday, May 22, 2010.

The Board approved the following personnel items:

PERSONNEL

PROFESSIONAL

Childrearing Leave - Return

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Lori Gilbert indicating her return from childrearing leave on Monday, May 3, 2010. (see attached)

Leave of Absence - Childrearing

The Board approved a request from Amy Piro, Kindergarten teacher at W.G. Rice Elementary School, for a childrearing leave of absence beginning approximately May 17, 2010, through January 3, 2011, with the possibility of extending the leave through the end of the 2010-2011 school year, and in compliance with Article VIII, Section D, of the Articles of Agreement between South Middleton School District and the South Middleton Education Association. The approval is with the understanding that Amy will inform the District of her plans to extend the childrearing leave to the end of the 2010-2011 school year by December 6, 2010.

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Employment

The Board employed the following professional staff:

Name: Lindsay Cohill
Position: Kindergarten (Replacing Amy Piro – childrearing leave)
Start Date: May 12, 2010 through the end of the 2009-2010 school yr.
Salary: Bachelor's, Step 1 - \$39,128 (pro-rated)

Summer School – Extra Duty

The Board employed the following professional staff for the 2010 Remedial Summer School program, contingent upon the course being offered as a result of adequate enrollment, at a rate of \$24.00/hr.

Patrick Dieter - HS Am History I and II
Joe Harker - HS Earth Science and Physical Science
Brooke Harker - HS Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry
Patricia Zimmerman-HS English I and II
Jessica Weible - HS English III and IV
Alan Mills - HS Chemistry, Biology, MS Physical Science
Rob Dutry - HS Global Issues
Michelle McBride - HS Microsoft office, You and Your Career
Michael Bogdan - HS Spanish I and II, MS Creative Arts
Amy Martin - MS Reading
Michael Miller - MS English
Robert Waynick - HS Health and PE
Abby Crider - MS Life Science
Alison McKenna - MS Social Studies
Monica Rudy - MS Math

Yellow Breeches Middle School Mastery Program – Extra Duty

The Board employed the following extra duty positions for the after school Yellow Breeches Middle School Mastery Program (pilot program for the 2009-2010 school year) at \$650.00 per teacher, per marking period (for the third marking period).

<u>Name</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Bechtel, William	Science
Bohn, Kris	Pre-Algebra
Carothers, Kelly	Grade 6 – ½ position
Elliott, Annette	Math
Gray, Laurie	Grade 6
Kemp, Amanda	Grade 6
Lauro, Karla	Social Studies
Leese, Chris	Science
Martin, Amy	Reading
Meneget, Angie	Grade 6 – ½ position
Norton, Alberta	French/Spanish
Reutter, Susan	Spec. Ed. Support
Snyder, Sharon	English

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Employment

The Board employed the following full-time custodian.

Name: George Groff
Position: Full-Time Custodian
Starting Date: March 29, 2010
Rate: \$9.82/hr.

Substitute Classroom Aide

The Board employed the following substitute classroom aide for the 2009-2010 school year:

Name: Linda Groff
Rate: \$9.40/hr.

Additional Custodian Positions

The Board approved adding one full-time custodial position beginning July 1, 2010 and authorized the Administration to begin the employment process.

The Board approved adding one part-time custodial position beginning July 1, 2010 and authorized the Administration to begin the employment process.

Voluntary Transfer

The Board approved the voluntary transfer of Heidi Gutshall from the position of part-time kitchen aide to the position of full-time one-on-one personal care aide for an individual student, effective April 6, 2010. The salary for the position would be paid for with IDEA-B Stimulus funds for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year and the 2010-2011 school year. (This position was approved by the Board on 3/1/10.) Rate of pay: \$11.50/hr.

Bid Award

The Board awarded the bids for the "Boiling Springs High School Fitness Center and Team Room" project to the following low bidders for the project:

General Construction	Premier Construction Group	\$ 94,600
Mechanical Construction	H.L. Bowman, Inc.	\$ 46,236
Electrical Construction	J.A. Kolva, Inc.	\$ 29,946
Total Cost		\$ 170,782

The motion passed unanimously.

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CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Mr. Hayes commented on enjoying a recent junior high game that he attended and he congratulated Billy Knouse on his art work.

Mr. Fay commented on the high school musical production *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*.

Mrs. Knouse commented on the showing of Boiling Springs High School Senior artwork held on Friday, April 2, 2010, at the Gallerie 13 in Mechanicsburg.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

At 8:50 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session for a brief discussion regarding a legal matter. At 9:22 p.m., the Board re-convened the Regular Board meeting.

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, to approve the proposed 2010-2011 Harrisburg Area Community College Wildwood Campus General Operating budget in the amount of \$58,493,030 and agrees to accept the District's share of \$239,611 to be incorporated in the District's 2010-2011 budget and authorizes the Board delegate to cast a vote in the affirmative. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, to adjourn the meeting, and it was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary