

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 2, 2009**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on March 2, 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

Scott Govern, Athletic Director

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 - **Absent**

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 - None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

-February 17, 2009 – Regular Board Meeting

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Jim Baker reported on the passing of Mr. David Myers.

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

Dr. Sanker announced that this week was National Foreign Language week and she spoke about the 2009 French Embassy Scholarship for summer study award that Mrs. Alberta Norton, foreign language teacher, will receive in April at the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (NECTFL). She also announced that Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Michael Eaken will speak to the Sixth Grade students on March 16, 2009, about recent rulings of the Supreme Court. In addition, Dr. Sanker reported that eleven swim team members and three wrestling team members would be going to States.

Mr. Vensel reported that the all buses arrived safely this morning despite the snow. However, one bus did pull over to the side of the road at approximately 8:30 a.m. this morning to wait through a snow squall. The bond settlement for the bond financing of 2009 is scheduled for March 8, 2009. Mr. Vensel and Mrs. Alwood met with Highmark representatives to discuss the Highmark settlement. The district has still not received a building permit for the bleachers. Due to this delay, the district has extended the coverage of the builders risk insurance.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knouse, that the Board approves the agenda of March 2, 2009, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mrs. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk that the Board approves the "Tax Collection Committee Delegate Appointment Resolution" appointing Richard R. Vensel, Business Manager/Board Secretary to serve as the primary voting delegate to the Cumberland County Tax Collection Committee, and Paul Slifko,

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Board Member, as the first alternate voting delegate, and Michael Berk, Board Member, as the second alternate voting delegate, pursuant to Act 32 of 2008. **On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.**

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

The Board approved the planned courses of study. Each course has been aligned with the PA Academic Standards for that subject.

Business and Computer Technologies

Entrepreneurship

Counseling

Grade 3 Counseling

Grade 4 Counseling

Grade 5 Counseling

Library

Grade 3 Library

Grade 7 Library

Mathematics

Grade 1 Mathematics

Grade 2 Mathematics

Music

Basic Guitar

Business of Music

Grades 7 and 8 Chorus

Guitar II

Music Theory II

Piano

Technology Education

Grade 6 Technology Education

Grade 7 Technology Education

The Board approved the contract between the South Middleton School District and the Capital Area Intermediate Unit #15 to provide Early Intervention transportation for the 2009-2010 school year at the Pennsylvania Department of Education established reimbursement rate. (see attachment)

The Board established the Summer School teacher compensation to be \$24.00/hour for the 2009 Summer School Program as per Article XVI – Extra Curricular Activities – of the Articles of Agreement between the SMSD and South Middleton Education Association.

The Board approved the following personnel items:

PERSONNEL

CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS

The Board approved the change of status for the teacher listed below from “Temporary Professional Employee” to “Professional Employee”:

Name	Position	Employment Date
Eichelberger, Amy	Math – BSHS	January 2006

EXTRA DUTY – MENTOR TEACHER

The Board employed the following mentor teacher for the 2008-2009 school year at \$244 (1/2 year).

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Mentor Teacher	Inductee	Yr. of Program
Schwartz, Jeffrey	Fusco, Theresa	1

EXTRA DUTY – ATHLETICS

The Board approved the following extra duty athletic positions for the 2008-2009 school year.

Name	Position	Step	Exp.	Units	Salary	Long.	Total
Stewart, Sue	Asst. JV Softball	2	1	12	\$ 1,584	-	\$ 1,584
Harker, Brooke	Asst. Track & Field	15	2	1	1,980	-	1,980
Mills, Al	Asst. Track & Field	15	17	16	1,980	400	2,380
Rajca, Josh	Asst. Track & Field Var. Assist.	2	1	8.5	1,122	-	1,122
White, William	Baseball	2	1	14	1,848	-	1,848
Goshorn, Carl	Head JV Baseball	1	0	16	2,112	-	2,112
Price, Steve	JV Assist. Baseball	1	0	12	1,584	-	1,584

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

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

Name: Minette Dubler
 Certification: Elementary

Name: Kristine McMahon
 Certification: Elementary

EXTRA DUTY – ATHLETICS – VOLUNTEERS

The Board approved the following athletic volunteers for the 2008-2009 school year.

Name	Position
Frey, Leslie	Vol. Softball
Wallace, Kurt	Vol. Softball
Ramus, Joe	Vol. Softball
Phinney, Todd	Vol Girls Jr. High Soccer
Leese, Bob	Vol. Track & Field
Baker, Doug	Vol. Asst. Baseball

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Mr. Clepper attended the Kindergarten parent orientation program. He also commented that he appreciated the Boiling Springs High School tour, scheduled earlier this evening by the Facilities Committee.

Mr. Berk announced there would be a PSBA legislative meeting on March 25, 2009, at the PSBA headquarters. He reviewed the mandate relief supported by PSBA. He also was excited about the growth of technology within the district. Mr. Berk would like to schedule a public relations meeting.

Mr. Fay commented on the staff integration report and he also commented on the high school tour.

Mr. Slifko announced the budget would be presented in April 2009.

Mrs. Knouse requested that a sign that had fallen down on the baseball field be removed, and she also commented about the high school tour held earlier this evening.

Mr. Winters inquired whether the school district had requested information back from the Penn State review of the high school final exams conducted on behalf of PDE. The requested information was provided for the study. Mr. Winters also announced that the CAIU budget was passed.

Mr. Juliana commented on the technology integration study.

Mrs. Capozzi commented on the technology report and the request by staff to have more time available to work with technology.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

The Board went into an Executive Session for a Legal Matter and Personnel items at 8:05 p.m. The Board resumed Regular Session at 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, to adjourn the meeting and it was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary