

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

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

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on December 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 7:25 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 Sanker, Superintendent

Dr. Sandra Tippet, Assistant Superintendent

Janet Adams, Principal - IFEC

Barbara Alitto, Director of Special Education

David Bitner, Assistant Principal – YBMS

David Boley, Principal - Rice

Shelly Lappi, Assistant Principal – Rice

Joseph Mancuso, Principal - BSHS

Sharonn Williams, Director of Instructional Technology

Fred Withum, Principal - YBMS

**Student Representatives to the Board**

Molly Dowling

Anthony Kallhoff - **Absent**

**Visitors**

See attachment to the minutes.

**Board Secretary**

Richard R. Vensel

**Solicitor**

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

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### **INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION**

Dr. Withum recognized and introduced Serena A. Barth, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at Yellow Breeches Middle School as the winner of the 2010 District Holiday Card Design. Serena also introduced her parent and sister.

### **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

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

-November 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 spoke about the bulletin board that was prepared by Iron Forge Educational Center. She also reviewed the upcoming holiday events and concerts scheduled throughout the District.

Dr. Tippet reminded Board members that the Department Chair/Team Leader reports were at their seats this evening.

Mr. Vensel updated board members on bond refinancing and CapTax.

### **NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS – None**

### **TOPIC DISCUSSIONS – Preliminary Budget and Act 1 Timeline – 2011-2012**

Mr. Vensel, Business and Operations Manager, made a presentation to the Board regarding the preliminary budget for the 2011-2012 school year.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, to approve the agenda of December 6, 2010. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board approves all of the following in a block motion:

The Board approved the Board of School Directors meeting dates for 2011 (adding January 17, 2011 as a Board workshop date and July 11<sup>th</sup> as a regular meeting date.

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The Board authorized the signatures of the Board President, Board Treasurer, and Board Secretary for the General Fund Account, Activity Account, Capital Reserve Fund Account, Payroll Account, Student Activities Accounts, and Cafeteria Fund Accounts.

The Board authorized Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent; Dr. Sandra J. Tippet, Assistant Superintendent; and Richard R. Vensel, Business Manager/Board Secretary, to sign all necessary State and Federal applications and any other applications, Board approved contracts, and required forms on behalf of the South Middleton School District for the calendar year 2011.

The Board accepted the Performance Audit Report from the Pennsylvania Department of the Auditor General for the years ending June 30, 2007 and 2008. The audit indicates that the South Middleton School District complied, in all significant respects, with all applicable state laws, regulations, contracts, grant requirements and administrative procedures. (see attachment)

### PERSONNEL

The Board approved the following personnel items:

#### EMPLOYMENT – Professional

The Board approved the employment of the following substitute teachers for the 2010-2011 school year at \$95.00/day:

Name: Andrew Hagerich  
Address: 432 Limestone Road  
Carlisle, PA  
Certification: Social Studies

Name: Susan Weibley  
Address: 49 S. Pin Oak Drive  
Boiling Springs, PA  
Certification: Elementary

The Board approved the employment of the following substitute teacher for the 2010-2011 school year through the guest teacher program, operated by the CAIU, at \$95.00/day.

Name: Lisa Dellinger  
Address: 529 Limestone Road  
Carlisle, PA  
Interests: Elementary Level Only

#### VOLUNTEER – Athletic Coaches

The Board approved the following volunteer athletic coaches for the 2010-2011 school year:

Morris, Matt – Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach  
Schmelyan, Rick – Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach  
Weibley, Austin – Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach

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Thomas, Elliot – Assistant Jr. High Basketball Coach

**The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board approve the attached resolution determining that there will be no tax increase in the rate of any tax for the support of its public schools for the 2011-2012 fiscal year by more than the 2.9% Index established by the Department of Education, for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. (see attachment) **On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.**

Resignation – Administrative

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, that the Board accept, with deepest regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Barbara J. Alitto, Director of Special Education, and effective July 5, 2011. **The motion passed unanimously.**

World Energy Solutions

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board authorizes the Administration to execute the Exchange Agreement with World Energy Solutions, Inc., to provide on-line auctioning platform and related advisory services for the procurement of electricity for the District for a six month period. **On a roll call vote, the motion failed as follows:**

Mrs. Capozzi:	Yes	Ms. Martin:	No
Mr. Clepper:	No	Mr. Merlie:	No
Mr. Fay:	No	Mr. Slifko:	Yes
Mr. Hayes:	No	Mr. Winters:	Yes
Mrs. Knouse:	No		

**3 – Yes, 6 – No, 0 – Abstention, 0 - Absent**

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board authorizes the Administration to execute the Exchange Agreement with World Energy Solutions, Inc., to provide on-line auctioning platform and related advisory services for the procurement of electricity for the District for a six month and eighteen month period. **On a roll call vote the motion passed as follows:**

Mrs. Capozzi:	No	Ms. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Clepper:	Yes	Mr. Merlie:	Yes
Mr. Fay:	Yes	Mr. Slifko:	No
Mr. Hayes:	Yes	Mr. Winters:	No
Mrs. Knouse:	Yes		

**6 – Yes, 3 – No, 0 – Abstention, 0 - Absent**

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

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

Molly Dowling, Student Representative to the Board, reported on the activities of the SADD Club and noted that four members of the BSHS Band qualified for District Band. She also spoke about the upcoming food drive.

All of the Board members expressed their thanks and appreciation to Barbara Alitto, Director of Special Education, for her years of service to the South Middleton School District and her dedication to the students, staff, and community. They wished her well upon her retirement in July 2011.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel  
Board Secretary