

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
January 19, 2015**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on January 19, 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 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**School Directors**

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

Mrs. Elizabeth Meikrantz  
Mr. Paul Slifko  
Mr. Robert Winters  
Mr. Scott Witwer - **Absent**

**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  
Mark Correll, Assist. Principal - BSHS  
Andrew Glantz, Director of Buildings/Grounds  
Joel Hain, Principal – BSHS  
Trisha Reed, Principal – IFEC  
Kim Spisak, Assist. Principal  
Jesse White – Principal – YBMS  
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 - **Absent**

**INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION - None**

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meeting: January 12, 2015 – Planning/Regular Board Meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Meikrantz, that the Board approves the following:

**November 2014**

The Board approved payment of the bills for November 2014, represented by checks #51416 to #51580 inclusive, in the amount of \$2,303,982.97

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for November 2014 - Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #14887 to #14906 inclusive, in the amount of \$16,927.48 and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved the requisitions payable from the Capital Reserve Fund (PSDLAF) for November 2014, represented by checks #22338 to #22341 in the amount of \$12,048.69

**December 2014**

The Board approved payment of the bills for December 2014, represented by checks #51581 to #51730 inclusive, in the amount of \$2,372,259.97

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for December 2014 - Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #14907 to #14924 inclusive, in the amount of \$10,534.44 and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved the requisitions payable from the Capital Reserve Fund (PSDLAF) for December 2014, represented by checks #22342 to #22344 in the amount of \$78,798.42

The Board approved the requisitions payable from the Construction Fund (PLGIT) for December 2014, in the amount of \$49,705.29

**The motion passed unanimously.**

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

Dr. Moyer reported that a presentation was made to the CAIU regarding SMUSD's iMPACT Program. The South Middleton School District was recognized by the United Way for most improved participation in its annual campaign. Nick Barber was recognized by Mechanicsburg Rotary for Student of the Month. Ellie Tiley, Student Representative to the Board, thanked board members for their service to the district and reported on a Debate Team tournament scheduled for Saturday. Max Leo, Student Representative to the Board, reported that the prom has been re-scheduled to Friday, May 1, 2015.

## NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

## BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Policy Committee

Mr. Merlie reported that the committee met earlier this evening. The Policy Committee will be bring forth additional information on upcoming, unfunded mandates for student safety.

### Technology Committee

Mr. Hayes reported that the committee met earlier this evening. Members reviewed band-width growth, a \$400,000 blended learning grant application and the lowering of help desk ticket requests.

## TOPIC DISCUSSION

Mr. Brad Remig, from Public Financial Management, made a presentation to the Board on the second bond issue for the IFEC renovation project.

## NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, that the following should be amended to the agenda. Correction: The agenda was amended for item #12.4 (a). The correct deduct is \$326,330. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approves the agenda, as amended, for January 19, 2015. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves PlanCon F of the Iron Forge Renovation Project and authorizes the Administration to forward it to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board approves PlanCon G of the Iron Forge Renovation Project and authorizes the Administration to forward it to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk that the Board approves the following:

The Board approved the following items for the Iron Forge Renovation Project: Approval is requested for the following Prime Construction Contracts and Alternates for the Additions and Renovations to Iron Forge Elementary School. Approval is contingent upon receipt of PlanCON Part F Approval from PDE and Associated Outstanding Approvals. Contracts and Notice to Proceeds will be executed once these approvals are received.

- a. General Construction Contract- Lobar Inc., located in Dillsburg, PA
  - i. Base Bid and Selected Alternates- \$14,573,900
  - ii. Base Bid- \$14,375,000
  - iii. Alternates
    - 1. GC-1: Unclassified Construction- Add of \$70,000
    - 2. GC-2: Digital Main Entry Signs- Add of \$16,600
    - 3. GC-4: Alternative Stone Veneer- Add of \$0.00
    - 4. GC-6: 4-Inch-Thick Roof Insulation- Deduct of (\$80,600)
    - 5. GC-7: Mortise Locksets- Add of \$14,800
    - 6. GC-8: Laminated Glazing- Add of \$38,400
    - 7. GC-12: LVT Flooring- Add of \$123,400
    - 8. GC-13: Corridor Linoleum Flooring- Add of \$64,300
    - 9. GC-20: Construction Time- Deduct of (\$48,000)
  
- b. HVAC Construction Contract- Lugaila Mechanical, Inc., located in Liverpool, PA
  - i. Base Bid and Selected Alternates- \$3,234,800
  - ii. Base Bid- \$3,249,800
  - iii. Alternates
    - 1. HC-20: Construction Time- Deduct of (\$15,000)
  
- c. Plumbing Construction Contract- Jay R. Reynolds, Inc., located in Willow Street, PA
  - i. Base Bid and Selected Alternates- \$1,592,400
  - ii. Base Bid- \$1,594,400
  - iii. Alternates
    - 1. PC-1: Unclassified construction- Add of \$0.00
    - 2. PC-20: Construction Time- Deduct of (\$2,000)

- d. Electrical Construction Contract- Lobar Inc., located in Dillsburg, PA
  - i. Base Bid and Alternates- \$3,143,498
  - ii. Base Bid- \$2,894,999
  - iii. Alternates
- 1. EC-2: Main Entry Digital Signs- Add of \$0.00
- 2. EC-14: Solar Panel Array- Add of \$255,999
- 3. EC-20: Construction Time- Deduct of (\$7,500)

Approval is requested for a Testing Services Contract with Quality Assurance Plus, Mechanicsburg, PA

- i. Contract Amount of \$198,355.

Approval is requested for Iron Forge Elementary School Change Order Process.

Approval is requested for the following Deduct Changes Orders contingent upon approval of PlanCON Part I approval from PDE (Final list will be provided prior to January 19, 2015 Board Meeting, please be aware pricing will adjust based upon final validation of Deduct Change Orders occurring with Contractors and DEP NPDES permit review.)

- a. Lobar Inc. General Construction Deduct Change Order- GC-1: (\$326,330)
- b. Lobar Inc. Electrical Deduct Change Order- EC-1: (\$132,812)

**The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board accepts the results of the Audit Report from Boyer & Ritter, Certified Public Accountants for 2013-2015 school year. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves the Index Resolution for 2015-2016 school year: That the Board approves the attached resolution determining that there will be no tax increase in the rate of any tax for the support of public schools for the 2015-2016 fiscal year by more than the Index (1.9%) established by the Department of Education, for the fiscal year 2015-2016. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Meikrantz, that the Board approves the second reading (final) of the following policies:

- Random Drug Testing – Policy #122.2
- Tax Exempt Bonds – Compliance Procedures – Policy #627

**The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie, that the Board approves the Boiling Springs High School Educational Planning Guide for the 2015-2016 school year. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approves the listing of Seniors, as presented by the High School Principal, as candidates for graduation in June 2015, upon meeting the graduation requirements as established and adopted by the South Middleton School District Board of School Directors in compliance with the Commonwealth's guidelines. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves the Cumberland-Perry Vocational Technical School Budget for the 2015-2016 school year in the amount of \$7,812,625 for the fiscal year 2015-2016 and agrees to accept its share of \$319,800 as set forth in the Articles of Agreement. **On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:**

Mr. Steven Bear - Yes  
Mr. Michael Berk - Yes  
Mrs. Shelly Capozzi - Yes  
Mr. Thomas Hayes - Yes  
Mr. Thomas Merlie - No

Mrs. Elizabeth Meikrantz - Yes  
Mr. Paul Slifko -Yes  
Mr. Robert Winters - Yes  
Mr. Scott Witwer - **Absent**

**7 – Yes, 1 – No, 0 – Abstain, 1 – Absent**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board approves the following personnel items:

### **Resignation**

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of Courtney Semmel, Social Studies teacher at the Yellow Breeches Middle School, effective January 21, 2015.

### **Employment - Professional Substitutes**

The Board approved adding the following personnel to the professional substitute list for the 2014-2015 school year:

Shelly Hart Certification: Elementary

Kyle Dayhoff, Certification: Health/Phys. Ed.

David Tolar, Certification: Social Studies

Kathleen Murtoff Certification: Elementary

Devon Moore, Certification: Social Studies

Rebecca Black Certification: Elementary - 4-8

Devin Walker Certification: Social Studies

**Employment - Extra Duty - Athletics**

The Board employed the attached extra duty, athletic positions for the 2014-2015 school year.

**Employment - Professional**

The Board employed the following professional employee:

Name: Anne L. Hoffman

Position: Social Studies Teacher - YBMS - (Replacing Courtney Semmel)

Certification: Social Studies

Starting Date: 1/20/15

Salary: \$42,777 - Bachelor's, Step 1 (Pro-rated for 2014-2015)

**Childrearing Leave Request**

The Board approved the childrearing leave request of Vanessa Watkins, 2nd grade teacher at W.G. Rice Elementary School, from approximately April 1, 2015 through the end of the 2014-2015 school year, and returning at the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION – None**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Meikrantz to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:43 p.m. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Darchicourt  
Assistant Board Secretary