

**SOUTH MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT
4 Academy Street, Boiling Springs, PA 17007**

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 15, 2018**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on October 15, 2018, in the Boiling Springs High School Auditorium for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President, Mr. Berk, 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. Terry Draper

Mrs. Stacey Knavel

Mrs. Elizabeth Meikrantz

Mr. Jonathan Still

Mr. Michael Berk

Mr. John Greenbaum

Mrs. Denise MacIvor

Mr. Christopher Morgan

Administrative Staff

Dr. Matthew Strine, Superintendent

Melanie Shaver-Durham, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Zachary Gump, Director of Buildings/Grounds

Trisha Reed, Principal – IFES

Janette Fulton – Director of Spec. Ed.

Student Representatives

Nicholas O'Brien – Absent

Eric Gessaman - Absent

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Matthew Ulmer

Solicitor

Gareth Pahowka - Absent

INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION - None

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Mr. Bear made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Meikrantz, that the Board approves the minutes of the following meeting:

Planning/Regular Board Meeting – 10/1/18

The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

September 2018

Financial Reports – September 2018

The Board approved payment of General Fund bills represented by checks 57450 to 57518 in the amount of \$554,806.81, and Direct Deposits represented by 50286 to 50289 in the amount of \$3,389.87 as represented in the attached summary.

The Board approved payment of Activity Fund bills represented by checks 15912 to 15921 in the amount of \$6,991.49 as represented in the attached summary.

The Board approved payment of Athletic Fund bills represented by checks 20921 to 20961 in the amount of \$13,096.69 as represented in the attached summary.

The Board approved payment of Cafeteria Fund bills represented by check 7105 in the amount of \$1,938.00 as represented in the attached summary.

The Board approved payment of Visa represented by transaction #Visa7153 to #Visa7256 in the amount of \$23,045.34 as represented in the attached summary.

The Board approved the Treasurer's Report for September 2018.

The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION, AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Strine updated the Board and the public on the status of the HR survey and indicated that there is an addendum to the agenda for this evening.

BOARD REPORTS

Community Relations Committee

The committee met October 1, 2018, and reviewed the following items: held a web conference with Kyle Weirks from Though Exchange and discussed the Aptegey presentation from the previous meeting.

TOPIC DISCUSSION: FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Ulmer, Business Manager, presented the attached power point. (see attached).

The following residents/employees commented in reference to the financial presentation, the surplus of funds for 2017-2018, the outsourcing of aides/custodial staff, ongoing problems with cleanliness of buildings, and aides/custodians leaving SMSD due to future uncertainty.

Sarah Deaven
Brian Engle
Steve Karloski
Gene Yanity
Karen Henry
Joey Knouse
Trish Ocker
Bill Hartman
Brand Deitch
Don Ryan
Eddy Rob

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Knavel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Greenbaum, that the Board approves the agenda of October 15, 2018, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

School Physician Services – 2018-2019

Mr. Bear made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knavel, that the Board approves the renewal of the Physician Services Agreement between South Middleton School District and the Pinnacle Health Regional Physicians d/b/a Boiling Springs Family Medicine (“Practice”). **The motion passed unanimously.**

Personnel – Professional – Childrearing Leaves of Absence

Mr. Greenbaum made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knavel that the Board approves the following childrearing leaves of absence:

Sarah Deaven - Grade 6 -YBMS - From approximately 2/14/19 and returning 5/31/19.

Anne Hoffman - Social Studies - YBMS - From approximately 2/8/19 through 2/8/20.

Bethany Mohney - Special Education - YBMS - From approximately 3/25/19 through the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

The motion passed unanimously.

Personnel – Employment – Extra Duty – Athletics

Mr. Bear made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knavel, that the Board employs the following extra duty, athletic positions for the 2018-2019 school year:

Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach - Lauren Bozart - Step 1, Exp. - 0, - \$2,774

JV Girls Basketball Coach - Kyle Watkins (originally approved as Assist. Varsity Basketball Coach) - Step 7, Exp. 8 - \$2,974 (includes longevity)

The motion passed unanimously.

Personnel – Classified – Resignation

Mrs. Meikrantz made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knavel, that the Board accepts the resignation of Diana Papa, from the position of special education aide at the BSHS, effective October 1, 2018.

The motion passed unanimously.

Personnel – Employment – Professional Staff

Mr. Bear made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Meikrantz, that the Board employs the following professional staff:

Name: Shannon D. Miller

Position: Full-time First Grade Teacher – Replacing Kaitlin Smith

Certification: Elementary/Reading Specialist

Salary: Masters, Step 5 - \$53,431 (pro-rated)

Starting Date: TBD

The motion passed unanimously.

Personnel – Employment – Long-Term Substitute Teacher

Mrs. Meikrantz made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knavel that the Board approves the following long-term substitute teacher:

Name: Rebecca Carney

Position: Math Intervention Specialist – Replacing Erin Edmonds

Certification: Elementary

Salary: Bachelor's, Step 1 - \$48, 428 (pro-rated)

Starting Date: Beginning approximately 10/20/18 through the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

-Enrollment Report

-Board Meeting Dates

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Mr. Berk gave an update on a recent discussion with UPMC.

Mr. Draper thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

FOR THE RECORD

Mr. Berk announced that the Board would meet in executive session, following the adjournment of the regular meeting, for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bear made a motion that the meeting adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Ulmer
Board Secretary