

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
May 17, 2010**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on May 17, 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 - **Absent**

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, Director of Spec. Ed.

David Boley, Principal, Rice

Mark Correll, Assistant Principal, BSHS

Scott Govern, Athletic Director

Joseph Mancuso, Principal, BSHS

Sharonn Williams, Director of Instruct. Technology

**Student Representatives to the Board**

Brendan D. VanGorder

Molly R. Dowling

**Visitors**

See attachment to the minutes.

**Board Secretary**

Richard R. Vensel

**Solicitor**

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

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### INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse, President, recognized and thanked Brendan VanGorder for serving as a student representative to the Board for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school years. Brendan has been accepted at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Sanker, Superintendent, recognized and congratulated Joseph Spisak winning for his 130 pound gold medal in the PIAA 2010 State Wrestling Championships.

Dr. Sanker, Superintendent, also introduced Mr. John Hartmann, Conservator and President of Hartmann Fine Art Conversation Services. He presented the display cases he recently made for the school district which contain some historical items from the school dating back to the early 1900's. One case focused on the Class of 1917 and the other case focused on the Class of 1919.

At 7:33 p.m. the Board recessed to look at the display cases and resumed the regular meeting at 7:38 p.m.

### ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the minutes from the following meetings:

-May 3, 2010 – Regular Board Meeting

**The motion passed unanimously.**

### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin, to approve the financial reports for April as follows:

#### **April 2010**

The Board approved the bills for April 2010 represented by checks #39575 to #39859 inclusive, in the amount of \$1,312,316.13.

The Board approved Student Activity Funds for April 2010 – Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #13507 to #13541 inclusive, in the amount of \$32,190.68, and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved the requisitions payable for April 2010 from the Capital Reserve Fund (PSDLAF), represented by checks #22154 to #22159 in the amount of \$30,648.13.

On a roll call vote the motion passed as follows:

Mrs. Shelly Capozzi - Yes  
Mr. Derek Clepper - Yes  
Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr. - Yes  
Mr. Thomas Hayes - Yes

Ms. Pamela Martin - Yes  
Mr. Thomas Merlie - Absent  
Mr. Paul Slifko - Yes  
Mr. Robert Winters - No

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Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse – Yes

**Yes – 7, No – 1, Abstentions – 0, Absent – 1**  
**Motion passed.**

### CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Dr. Sanker thanked Mrs. Knouse, Ms. Martin and Mr. Winters for attending the recent Bubblers Foundation Dinner and Silent Auction. The auction raised \$1,600. At the event Mr. Charles Moyer and Mr. Lawrence “Pap” Tanger were recognized posthumously as outstanding alumnus. Dr. Sanker also reminded Board members of the upcoming Commencement activities, and asked them to turn in their CAIU ballots. She also spoke about the Relay for Life event scheduled for May 21, 2010. Also, Dr. Sanker provided information about the Junior class request to attend the Disney Senior night in Orlando, FL in May 2011.

Dr. Tippet reported on the end of the year activities occurring in the schools.

Mr. Vensel reported that the sink holes on Ecker field have been repaired and the turf will be re-stitched once the ground is dry. The synthetic turf is still under warranty.

### NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS – None

### TOPIC DISCUSSION - None

### NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, to approve the agenda of May 17, 2010, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Fay made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper, that the Board approves Paul Slifko to register and attend the National Middle School Conference for November 4-6, 2010, in Baltimore, MD. Approximate cost: \$297.00 On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

Mrs. Shelly Capozzi - Yes  
Mr. Derek Clepper - Yes  
Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr. - Yes  
Mr. Thomas Hayes - Yes  
Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse – No

Ms. Pamela Martin - No  
Mr. Thomas Merlie - Absent  
Mr. Paul Slifko - Abstained  
Mr. Robert Winters - Yes

**Yes – 5, No – 2, Abstentions – 1, Absent – 1**

**Motion passed.**

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Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay, that the Board appoints Mr. Paul Slifko as Board Treasurer for the 2010-2011 school year. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board appoints Dr. Thomas S. Filip, of Carlisle, PA as the District dentist for the 2010-2011 school year, and Dr. Michael Daniels and Dr. David Dell of Mt. Holly Springs, PA, as the District physicians for the 2010-2011 school year. **The motion passed unanimously.**

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

The Board authorized the necessary budget transfers to close the 2009-2010 school year and to authorize payment of all additional invoices pertaining to the 2009-2010 school year.

The Board approved Richard R. Vensel, Business and Operations Manager/Board Secretary, as the authorized agent for South Middleton School District to complete and sign all required forms and documents for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Public Law 93-288 as amended, by Public Law 100-707).

The Board approved the following personnel items:

### **PERSONNEL**

#### **Professional**

##### Employment

The Board employed the following professional staff:

Name:	Christa J. Lauchle
Address:	628 Cedar Ridge Road Mechanicsburg, PA
Certification:	Elementary
Position:	Grade 4 Teacher – IFEC (Replacing Linda Stoltz)
Starting Date:	Beginning of the 2010-2011 School Year
Salary:	Masters, Step 7 - \$42,954

##### Resignation

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of Cathy Suever, 6<sup>th</sup> grade learning support teacher at the Yellow Breeches Middle School, effective August 15, 2010.

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### Classified

#### Resignation

The Board accepted the resignation of Austin Crull from the position of summer/maintenance grounds help, effective immediately.

#### Employment

The Board employed the following summer/maintenance grounds help, effective May 24, 2010, at \$9.82/hr. (replacing Austin Crull)

Name: Matt Clugh  
20 Sheeley Lane  
Boiling Springs, PA

### The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Fay made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the Board rejects all bids on the Phase II Athletic Field/Storm Water Management Project based on incomplete documentation from bidders. Further, the Board directs the Administration and ELA Sports to reexamine the project and rebid the project for approval on or before August 16, 2010, Regular Board meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko that the Board approves the following extra duty athletic positions for the 2010-2011 school year:

Name	Position	Step	Exp.	Units	Salary	Long.	Total
Shields, Dave	Assist. Athletic Director	18	17	46	\$ 6,394	\$400	\$ 6,794
Heiser, Matt	Head Varsity Football	9	8	36	5,004	200	5,204
Davis, Chris	Head Jr. High Football	5	4	22	3,058	-	3,058
Barnes, Lisa	Head Jr. High Field Hockey	1	-	16	2,224	-	2,224
Fulfer, Kathleen	Head Cross Country	6	5	14	1,946	200	2,146
Laser, Mark	Jr. High Head Cross Country	2	1	10	1,390	-	1,390
Brenner, Matt	Head Boys' Varsity Soccer	3	2	24	3,336	-	3,336
Waynick, Rob	Head Jr. High Boys' Soccer	3	2	15	2,085	-	2,085
Wilmet, Samantha	Head Varsity Field Hockey	3	2	26	3,614	-	3,614
Karli, Frank	Head Girls' Varsity Basketball	8	7	34	4,726	200	4,926
Dieter, Patrick	Head Boys' Varsity Basketball	27	26	34	4,726	400	5,126
Wright, Rodney	Head Varsity Wrestling	9	8	34	4,726	200	4,926
Hood, Randy	Head Varsity Girls' Volleyball	20	19	19	2,641	400	3,041
McQuaig, Scott	Head Varsity Golf	6	5	17	2,363	200	2,563

### The motion passed unanimously.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL OR ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

**Capital Area Intermediate Unit #15**

Mr. Winters reported the next meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2010 and the minutes from the previous meeting are available for review.

**Cumberland Perry Vocational Technical School**

Mr. Winters stated the next meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2010. A fact finding report is complete and the school is considering changing its name.

**Capital Area Tax Bureau**

Mr. Slifko attended the meeting held on May 11, 2010, as Mr. Vensel was unavailable to attend the meeting. The West Shore Tax agreement was reviewed.

**Facilities Committee**

Mr. Slifko reported that the Board met earlier this evening and reviewed the bids for Phase II of the athletic field project.

**Legislative Report**

Ms. Martin spoke about the information provided regarding the deficit in the State budget.

**Recreation and Parks Report**

No report.

**South Middleton Township**

Mr. Slifko mentioned that approximately 500 homes are being considered for construction across from the Mayapple Golf Course.

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

Molly Dowling, student representative, updated the Board on the prom.

Brendan VanGorder reported that the Class of 2010 plans to purchase new frames for the class pictures on display.

Mr. Hayes thanked Ms. Williams for her technology report and commented on a recent 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Gettysburg.

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Mr. Clepper thanked Brendan VanGorder for serving as a student representative to the Board and commented on a field trip he recently attended.

Mr. Fay thanked Ms. Williams for her presentation and commented on Phase II of Ecker field project.

Mr. Slifko thanked Brandon for his service on the Board and commented on students not completing graduation projects. He also commented on upcoming changes at the State and Federal levels for physical education classes. Mr. Slifko congratulated Jessica Bolton, School Psychologist, on obtaining her doctorate degree.

Mrs. Capozzi would like the teachers recognized for the presentations they made this evening.

Ms. Martin spoke about the recently held Special Needs Prom and the Bubbler Foundation dinner.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

The Board went into an Executive Session for a legal matter and personnel items. The Board resumed Regular Session at 9:53 p.m. Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay, to adjourn the meeting and it was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel  
Board Secretary