

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 7, 2011**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on February 7, 2011, 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 7:04 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 - **Absent**

Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse

Ms. Pamela Martin

Mr. Thomas Merlie

Mr. Paul Slifko

Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent

Dr. Sandra J. Tippet, Assistant Superintendent

Barbara Alitto, Director of Special Education

David Boley, Principal - Rice

David Bitner, Assistant Principal – YBMS

Shelly Lappi, Assistant Principal - Rice

Joseph Mancuso, Principal - BSHS

Frederick Withum, Principal - YBMS

Student Representatives to the Board

Molly Dowling - **Absent**

Anthony Kallhoff

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

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INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

- January 10, 2011 – Regular Board Meeting
- January 17, 2011 – Special Board Workshop

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 display in the Board room. It was prepared by middle school and high school language students, depicting their 2010 trip to Madrid, Paris and London. Dr. Sanker also remarked that post season play was underway for winter sports teams.

Dr. Tippet commented that the PETE & C Conference is scheduled for February 13 through February 16, 2011.

Mr. Vensel reported that the Cumberland County Tax Commission recently reviewed a draft of the memorandum of understanding for the West Shore Tax Bureau.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS – None

TOPIC DISCUSSIONS

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, to approve the agenda of February 7, 2011. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approves the Earned Income Tax Resolution #1 of 2011 (see attached). **On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Capozzi, that the Board approves the 2011-2012 Capital Area intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget in the amount of \$5,264,346 and agrees to accept the District's share of \$30,988.38 as set forth in Act 177 of the 1986 Public School Code and to be incorporated in the District's 2011-2012 budget. The motion passed as follows:

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Mrs. Capozzi – Yes
Mr. Clepper – Yes
Mr. Fay – Abstained
Mr. Hayes – Absent
Mrs. Knouse – Yes

Ms. Martin - Yes
Mr. Merlie - Yes
Mr. Slifko - Yes
Mr. Winters - Yes

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

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board approves the following changes to the 2010-2011 calendar to provide for makeup days for weather related closing on January 18, 26, and February 1, and February 2, 2011.

- Designate Monday, February 21, 2011, as an emergency makeup day for Students in Grades K-12 for the school closing of January 18, 2011.
- Designate Friday, March 11, 2011, as an emergency makeup day for students in Grades K-12 for the school closing of January 18, 2011.
- Designate Tuesday, April 19, 2011, as an emergency makeup day for students in Grades K-8 for the school closing of February 1, 2011. (Note: BSHS students were already scheduled to be in classes on April 19, 2011.)
- Designate Wednesday, Apr, 20, 2011, as an emergency makeup day for students in Grades K-12 for the school closing on February 2, 2011.
- Designate Thursday, April 21, 2011, as an emergency makeup day for students in grades 9-12 for school closing on February 1, 2011.

PERSONNEL

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper that the Board approves the following personnel items:

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE - Childrearing

The Board approved a request from Jenny Schmidt, 4th grade teacher at the Iron Forge Educational Center, for a childrearing leave of absence beginning on or about April 2011, returning at the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year, as per Article VIII, Section D, of the Articles of Agreement between the SMSD and the South Middleton Education Association.

The Board approved a request from Vanessa Long, first teacher at the W.G. Rice Elementary School, for a childrearing leave of absence beginning on or about May 16, 2011, and possibly returning January 2, 2012, with the intent of taking the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year, returning at the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year. Mrs. Long will notify the District by November 1, 2011, if she intends to take the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year. This is in

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accordance with per Article VIII, Section D, of the Articles of Agreement between the SMSD and the South Middleton Education Association.

TENURE

The Board approved the change of status for the teachers listed below from "Temporary Professional Employee" to "Professional Employee."

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Date Employed</u>
Katherin Doncel-Slantz	Spanish – HS	January 2008
Luke Fetterolf	Tech Ed – HS	January 2008
Angela Menegat	6 th Grade – YBMS	August 2007

EMPLOYMENT – Short-Term Substitute

The Board employed the following short-term substitute:

Name: Sheryl Baade
Address: 431 First Street
Carlisle, PA
Certification: Elementary
Position: Grade 5 - (Replacing Amy Paskalik)
(From 4/2011 through end of 2010-2011 school year)
Salary: Step 1, Bachelor's Degree - \$40,393 (pro-rated)

EMPLOYMENT – Substitute Teachers

The Board employed the following substitute teachers at \$95/day for the 2010-2011 school year:

Name: Cathy Suever
Address: 21 Joseph Drive
Boiling Springs, PA
Certification: Elementary/Special Education

Name: Lisa Burley
Address: 10 Terrace View
Carlisle, PA
Certification: Elementary

Name: Christopher Wilcox
Address: 10071 McCreary Road
Shippensburg, PA
Certification: Elementary/Early Childhood

EMPLOYMENT – Guest Teachers

The Board employed the following substitute teachers through the Guest Teacher Program operated by the CAIU at \$95/day for the 2010-0211 school year:

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Name: Scott Shepard
Address: 416 Lincoln Street
Carlisle, PA
Interests: All Subjects – Grades 6-12

Name: Carolyn Riley
Address: 21 N. Pin Oak Dr.
Boiling Springs, PA
Interests: All Subjects – All Grade Levels

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Anthony Kallhoff reported that a “pink out” for breast cancer awareness was scheduled this evening at the basketball game and many students are participating. He also reported that February 5th was Graduation Project Day, and the BSHS Brain Busters competition was postponed until February 8, 2011.

Mr. Clepper commented that the BSHS Concert Choir was scheduled to sing at a Penn State basketball game.

Mr. Fay welcomed back Erma Hollingsworth. He also commented on the PSBA voucher document that was prepared and distributed to Board members.

Mr. Slifko recently attended the annual Elected Officials Night at Allenberry meeting and a Blue Cross representative spoke with him about being the health care provider for the District.

Mr. Merlie congratulated the Wrestling team for making it to Districts.

Mr. Winters commented that some Cumberland-Perry Area Vo-Tech School students would be participating in an international homebuilders competition held in Orlando, FL. Also, SMSD does not use the total number of slots allotted to enroll students at the tech school.

Ms. Martin commented about the recent band concert. She also mentioned that PSBA has a discussion board on the Internet.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary