

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
September 19, 2011**

The South Middleton Board of Directors met on September 19, 2011, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The Vice President, Ms. Pamela Martin, 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 - **Absent**

Mr. Derek Clepper

Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr.

Mr. Thomas Hayes - **Absent**

Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse - **Absent**

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

Janet Adams, Principal – IFEC

David Boley, Principal - Rice

Connie Connolly – Director of Special Education

David Bitner, Assist. Principal – YBMS

Shelly Lappi, Assist. Principal – Rice

Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS

Sharonn Williams – Director of Instructional Technology

Frederick Withum, Principal – YBMS

**Student Representatives**

Anthony Kallhoff

Kathryn Webber

**Visitors**

See attachment to the minutes.

**Board Secretary**

Richard R. Vensel

**Solicitor**

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

**INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION - None**

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

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

-September 6, 2011 – Regular Board Meeting

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay, that the Board approves the Financial Report for June and July 2011 as follows:

**June 2011**

The Board approved the bills for June 2011, represented by checks #43567 to #43779 inclusive, in the amount of \$1,886,587.01.

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for June 2011 – Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #13905 to #13939 inclusive, in the amount of \$25,235.01 and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved requisitions payable from the Capital Reserve Fund (PSDLAF) for June 2011, represented by checks #22247 to #22251 in the amount of \$32,148.01.

**July 2011**

The Board approved the payment of bills for July 2011 represented by checks #43793 to #43964 inclusive, in the amount of \$957,070.88.

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds – Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code for July 2011, represented by checks #13940 to #13946 inclusive, in the amount of \$14,080.00, and are enclosed with the financial report.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

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

Dr. Sanker reported that the first month of school has gone well. She also mentioned the thank you note received from Keegan VanGorder and MacKenzie Newbury thanking the Administration and Board for the funding of tuition for the CASA program. Dr.

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Sanker also commented that she has had the opportunity to meet with the new HACC president.

Dr. Tippett reported on updating the Strategic Plan and that the first Brain Busters competition is scheduled for Wednesday.

Mr. Vensel commented that the MDNA report for the 2010-2011 audit is being prepared and transportation issues are being reviewed.

### NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, to approve the agenda of September 19, 2011. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merlie that the Board approves the appointment of Kathryn O. Webber as Student Representative to the Board for the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 school years. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Merlie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fay that the Board approves the renewal of the 45-day daily substitute teacher program for the 2011-2012 school year, starting October 4, 2011. The program provides for eight daily substitutes to be assigned throughout the District (two substitutes per building) at a rate of \$100.00/day for a 45-day period with an automatic renewal on a 45-day basis.

After discussion, Mr. Fay may a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper that the above-captioned item be tabled. The motion to table the item passed as follows:

Mrs. Shelly Capozzi - **Absent**  
Mr. Derek Clepper - Yes  
Mr. Joseph Fay, Jr. - Yes  
Mr. Thomas Hayes - **Absent**  
Mrs. Elizabeth Knouse - **Absent**

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

**The motion was tabled: 5 - Yes, 1 – No, 3- Absent**

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, that the Board approves the following in a block motion:

### PERSONNEL

The Board approved the following personnel items:

### PROFESSIONAL

#### Leave of Absence - Childrearing

The Board approved a request from Jennifer McPoyle-Callahan, special education teacher at the Yellow Breeches Middle School, for a childrearing leave of absence

beginning on or about February 26, 2012 and returning in 12 weeks, (approximately May 21, 2012) as per Article VIII, Section D, of the Articles of Agreement between the SMSD and the South Middleton Education Association.

**Professional Substitutes**

The Board approved adding the following to the professional substitute list:

Name: Kelly Spelman  
Certification: Health/Phys. Ed.

Name: Joshua Foulds  
Certification: Mathematics

Names: James Boyer  
Certification: Social Studies

Name: Melissa Nagode  
Certification: Elementary

**CLASSIFIED**

**Substitute**

The Board approved adding the following to the classified substitute list:

Name: Patricia Carter  
Position: Substitute Classroom Aide  
Salary: \$9.81/hr.

**Employment**

The Board employed the following classified personnel:

Name: Michele Karper  
Position: Part-Time (3 hrs/day) cafeteria monitor/office aide - YBMS  
(Replacing Brenda Garland)  
Starting Date: 9/20/11  
Salary: \$9.81/hr.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approves a contract with Maxim Healthcare Services to provide a health care professional to support the needs of a special education student at the rate of \$42.08/hr. for the 2011-2012 school year with the final contract review to be completed by the District's solicitor. **The motion passed unanimously.**

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL OR ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

**Recreation and Parks Report**

Mr. Fay reported that a new field usage policy is being reviewed, and he commented on the computer classes for senior citizens, offered by Ms. Williams through the Recreation and Parks Department.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

Anthony Kallhoff, student representative to the Board, reported that mass health screenings were under way at the high school. He also thanked the Board for the recent technology updates.

Kathryn Webber, student representative to the Board, reported on the field hockey and soccer teams and commented that the Spanish and French Clubs have begun to meet.

Mr. Clepper welcomed Kathryn to the Board meetings.

Mr. Fay welcomed Kathryn to the Board and commented that the Storm Water Management Project seemed to have worked well with the recent rains. He also thanked the Administration for a good start to the school year.

Mr. Slifko welcomed Kathryn and commented on the enrollment report. He also commented that it seemed the enrollment for cyber school students was increasing.

Mr. Merlie welcomed Kathryn.

Mr. Winters welcomed Kathryn and he commented about a concern that students do not sit in stands during football games.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:08 p.m., the Board went into Executive Session for student and legal matters. The Board returned from Executive Session at 9:05 PM. Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper, to adjourn the Regular Meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel  
Board Secretary