

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 21, 2012**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on February 21, 2012, in the Board Room of the Iron Forge Educational Center for a Regular School Board Meeting. The President, Mr. Thomas Merlie, 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

Mr. Steven Bear
Mr. Michael Berk
Mrs. Shelly Capozzi
Mr. Derek Clepper
Mr. Thomas Hayes

Ms. Pamela Martin
Mr. Thomas Merlie
Mr. Paul Slifko
Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent
Janet Adams, Principal – IFEC
David Boley, Principal - Rice
Connie Connolly – Director of Spec. Ed.
Scott Govern – Athletic Director
Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS
Sharonn Williams – Director of Instructional Tech.
Frederick Withum, Principal – YBMS

Student Representatives

Anthony Kallhoff - **Absent**
Kathryn Webber

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare - **Absent**

INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

Coach Rodney Wright and Athletic Director Scott Govern introduced and recognized the Boiling Springs High School Wrestling Team. The team was awarded the Silver medal at the 2011-2012 PIAA Team Wrestling Championships held in Hershey, PA.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

-February 6, 2012 - Regular Board Meeting

The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

January 2012

The Board approved the payment of bills for January 2012, represented by checks #16850 to #45449 inclusive, in the amount of \$1,224,145.58.

The Board approved the Student Activity Funds for January 2012 – Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #14073 to #14105 inclusive, in the amount of \$19,789.48, 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 commented on the World Language Induction Ceremony invitation that was given to Board members. The ceremony is scheduled for March 7, 2012, beginning at 7:45 AM.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

TOPIC DISCUSSION

Mr. Vensel reviewed the following items with the Board: (1). The Governor's Proposed Budget for the 2012-2013 school year and (2). The Impact of the Boundary Line Decision between South Middleton and Dickinson Townships.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, to approve the agenda of February 21, 2012. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin, that the Board approves retaining the Levin Legal Group as special counsel according to the terms of the engagement letter. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves Mr. Derek Clepper and Mr. Robert Winters to attend the PSBA’s Spring Legal Roundup on March 1, 2012, at the PSBA offices in Mechanicsburg, PA Cost: \$129/person. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board authorizes the Administration to seek applicants for a School Psychology Intern for the 2012-2013 school year, with a stipend of \$15,000 for a full school year, full-time internship. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves the following planned courses of study. Each course has been aligned with the PA Academic Standards for that subject. **The motion passed unanimously.**

<u>Music</u>	<u>Technology Education</u>
General Music – Grade 6	Graphic Communications I
General Music – Grade 7	Graphic Communications II
General Music – Grade 8	

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves adding the following substitute teachers to the professional substitute list for the 2011-2012 school year, at \$95/day. **The motion passed unanimously.**

- Name: Tylor Hykes
Certification: Elementary

- Name: Megan Hall
Certification: Elementary/Early Childhood

- Name: Allison Daly
Certification: Social Studies

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves the following extra duty athletic positions for the 2011-2012 school year.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Uts.</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Exper.</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Long.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Head Girls Varsity Soccer	Brookens, Steve	24	13	12	3,336	300	3,636
Assist. Var. Girls Soccer	Ehly, Kourtney	17	1	0	2,363	0	2,363
Assist. Var. Girls Soccer	LaRue, Michael	17	1	0	2,363	0	2,363
Jr. High Girls Soccer	Whisel, Leslie	15	6	5	2,085	200	2,285
Head Varsity Track	Brenner, Matt	20	9	8	2,780	200	2,980

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Assist. Varsity Track	Bisking, Richard	15	22	21	2,085	400	2,485
Assist. Varsity Track	Stewart, Amber	15	1	0	2,085	0	2,085
Assist. Varsity Track	Bowers, James	15	1	0	2,085	0	2,085
Head Jr. High Track	Mills, Alan	18	21	20	2,502	400	2,902
Assist. Jr. High Track	Harker, Brooke	8.5	1	0	1,182	0	1,182
Assist. Jr. High Track	Lanoué, Amy	15	1	0	2,085	0	2,085
Head Var. Softball Coach	Darchicourt, Steve	19	9	8	2,641	200	2,841
Assist. Var. Softball	Wallace, Kurt	14	1	0	1,946	0	1,946
Head Varsity Baseball	Barnett, Chris	19	6	5	2,641	200	2,841
Assist. Varsity Baseball	Hart, Scott	14	3	2	1,946	0	1,946
JV Head Baseball	Goshorn, Carl	16	5	4	2,224	0	2,224
JV Assist. Baseball	Witmer, Ben	12	1	0	1,668	0	1,668
Head Jr. High Volleyball	Lebo, Natalie	15	2	1	2,085	0	2,085

Volunteer Coaches

Vol Assist. Track	Leese, Bob
Vol. Jr. High Track	Rose, Jeff
Vol. JV. Baseball	Price, Steve
Vol. JV Baseball	Breon, John
Vol. JV Baseball	James, Von
Vol. Volleyball	Hood, Randy

On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

Mr. Bear:	Yes	Ms. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Berk:	Yes	Mr. Merlie:	Yes
Mrs. Capozzi:	Yes	Mr. Slifko:	Yes
Mr. Clepper:	Yes	Mr. Winters:	No
Mr. Hayes:	Yes		

8 – Yes, 1 – No, 0 – Absent, 0 – Abstentions

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Mrs. Carol Yanity of Boiling Springs, addressed the Board members regarding budgetary reductions for the 2012-2013 school year. She expressed concerns over potential cuts and would like the class sizes to remain the same and to continue with the current educational programs. She would rather see taxes raised to support the programs.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL OR ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Education Committee

Mrs. Capozzi reported that the Education Committee met on February 13, 2012, and reviewed the 2012-2013 school calendar and the planned courses of study, approved earlier this evening. The committee also reviewed blended learning.

Policy Committee

Mr. Clepper reported the Policy Committee met on February 13, 2012, and are reviewing the 000 polices. These policies remain in committee.

South Middleton Parks and Recreation

Mr. Hayes and Mr. Bear attended the meeting. Committee is considering holding "movies in the park," and long-term field plans.

South Middleton Township

Mr. Berk reported that the township is considering purchasing the Iron Forge furnace.

Personnel Committee

Ms. Martin reported that the committee met on Friday, February 24, 2012. The proposal for a psychology intern and retirements were reviewed.

RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Katie Webber, student representative to the Board, reported that the Student Council is working with the Life Skills class. Several students attended the Model UN.

Mr. Berk thanked Mrs. Adams for her email communication. He also commented that it was good to see staff members participating in the PETE&C conference.

Mr. Hayes commented that the Technology Committee would meet on Monday, February 27, 2012.

Mr. Slifko reported that the Facilities Committee would not meet on February 27th. He congratulated Mr. Bogdan for receiving a grant to study in Costa Rica this summer.

Ms. Martin requested her email address be included in the group that receives the Rice newsletter.

Mr. Bear congratulated the wrestling team on their recent silver medal at the PIAA wrestling championships.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:05 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. The Board resumed the Regular Session at 10:01 p.m.

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves staffing the YBMS counselor vacancy, until the end of the 2011-2012 school year, with a long-term professional substitute.

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On a roll call vote, the motion was defeated as follows:

Mr. Bear:	No	Ms. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Berk:	Yes	Mr. Merlie:	Yes
Mrs. Capozzi:	No	Mr. Slifko:	No
Mr. Clepper:	No	Mr. Winters:	No
Mr. Hayes:	Yes		

4 – Yes, 5 – No, 0 – Absent, 0 – Abstentions

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary