

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 5, 2012**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on March 5, 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 - **Absent**

Mr. Derek Clepper

Mr. Thomas Hayes

Ms. Pamela Martin - **Absent**

Mr. Thomas Merlie

Mr. Paul Slifko

Mr. Robert Winters

Administrative Staff

Dr. Patricia B. Sanker, Superintendent

Janet Adams, Principal – IFEC

David Bitner, Assist. Principal - YBMS

David Boley, Principal – Rice

Connie Connelly – Director of Special Education

Scott Govern – Athletic Director

Shelly Lappi, Assist. Principal - Rice

Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS

Sharonn Williams – Director of Instructional Tech.

Student Representatives

Anthony Kallhoff

Kathryn Webber

Visitors

See attachment to the minutes.

Board Secretary

Richard R. Vensel

Solicitor

Philip H. Spare

INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION

Mrs. Amber Kane and Mrs. Laurie Kitzmiller, Art teachers, introduced and recognized Jake McClellan and Holly Cohick, students at Boiling Springs High School. Jake and Holly presented their Senior Art Digital Portfolios to the Board and the audience.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, that the February 21, 2012, minutes be amended to read, (under the Personnel Committee Report), that the committee met "**in open session on Friday, February 17, 2012**". On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

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

Yes – 4, No – 3, Abstentions – 0, Absent – 2

Motion passed to amend the February 21, 2012 minutes.

Mr. Clepper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board accepts the minutes from the following meeting, as amended:

February 21, 2012 – Regular Board Meeting

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

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

Yes – 6, No – 1, Abstentions – 0, Absent – 2

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

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

Dr. Sanker reported that the Foreign Language dinner is this Thursday, March 8, 2012. She also congratulated Katie on receiving a gold medal in the breast stroke event and congratulated the high school staff and students on a successful musical production.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

Letter, dated February 24, 2012, from Nichole F. Duffy, Director of Bureau of Budget and Fiscal Management of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, approving PlanCon J for the additions and alterations of the Boiling Springs High School.

TOPIC DISCUSSION – None

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Technology Committee

Mr. Hayes reported that the Technology Committee met on February 27, 2012, and reviewed the proposed technology budget for 2012-2013, the surveys for broadcasting board meetings online, wireless technology at the high school, and the classroom field trips for board directors.

Personnel Committee

Mr. Hayes reported that the Personnel Committee met on February 27, 2012, and reviewed the pending retirements of professional staff and the elimination of four (4) positions through attrition for the 2012-2013 school year.

Athletic Committee

Mr. Clepper reported that the Athletic Committee met this evening and reviewed the proposed athletic budget for the 2012-2013 school year.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Slifko, to approve the agenda of March 5, 2012. **The motion passed unanimously.**

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

The Board approved entering into an three (3) year Demand Response Sales and Services Agreement with ENERNOC, Inc., at an estimated emergency demand response earnings of \$71,202 payable to the District over a 3-year period.

The Board approved an overnight field trip for Mr. Jarrett and Mr. Fetterolf to take eighteen (18) members of the Technology Student Association (TSA) to Seven Springs, PA for the State competition, from Wednesday, April 18, 2012 and returning on Saturday, April 21, 2012.

PERSONNEL

The Board approved the following personnel items:

PROFESSIONAL

RESIGNATION

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Janet Kunkel, fifth grade teacher at the Iron Forge Educational Center, effective June 8, 2012.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Kathryn Westermeier, school librarian at the W.G. Rice Elementary School, effective June 8, 2012.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Maryellen McLane, learning support teacher at the Iron Forge Educational Center, effective June 8, 2012.

RESIGNATION – Extra Duty – Athletics

The Board accepted the resignation of Frank Karli from the extra duty athletic position of Varsity Girls Basketball Coach, effective immediately.

EMPLOYMENT – Substitute Teachers

The Board approved adding the following individuals to the substitute teacher list for the 2011-2012 school year at \$95.00/day.

Name: Lisa Findley
Certification: Elementary

Name: Amanda Shaw
Certification: Health/Phys. Ed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Winters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper, to table the following items on the agenda for further discussion:

That the Board approves eliminating, through attrition, the following professional staff positions effective July 1, 2012: one (1) physical education teacher; one (1) technology coach; one (1) music education teacher; and one (1) librarian. (Item 12.3 on the agenda)

EMPLOYMENT – Short-Term Substitute

That the Board approves the following short-term professional substitute:

Name: Andrew Hagerich
Certification: Social Studies

Position: BSHS – Social Studies (Michael Freese – FMLA Leave)
Salary: Bachelor’s, Step 1 - \$41,709 (pro-rated)
Dates: 2/24/12 – 3/28/12
(Item 12.5.6 on the agenda)

The motion passed unanimously.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cumberland-Perry Vocational Technical School

Mr. Winters reported that the joint meeting was held on February 27, 2012 and several policies were approved. He also reported that Ms. Mary Rodman, Executive Director of the Vo-Tech School, will be retiring.

PSBA Legislative Report

Mr. Winters reported that on March 29, 2012, a meeting with local legislators will be held at the PSBA offices.

Bubbler Foundation

Dr. Sanker reported that the Bubbler Foundation dinner is scheduled for May 18th.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION - None

RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Katie Webber, student representative to the Board, reported on Foreign Language week. Sarah Adams, a BSHS student, has been selected to go to regional choir.

Anthony Kallhoff, student representative to the Board, reported about the Spanish/French National Honor Induction program. The Student Council will be holding a Spring blood drive.

Mr. Berk thanked the art students for their presentation. He suggested a resolution for the staff that is retiring and recognizing them on the website.

Mr. Clepper reported that he attended the Rice and IFEC Art show on Friday. In addition, Mr. Clepper, along with Mr. Winters, attended the Spring Legal Round-up sponsored by PSBA.

Mr. Slifko reported that the Facilities Committee did not meet in February 2012, but an update was provided to the Facilities Committee.

Mr. Merlie congratulated Katie and Anthony on their successes in athletics and the musical. He commented that the students represent the school district well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:24 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal issues. The Board resumed the Regular Session at 9:42 p.m.

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, to remove the following item from the table:

That the Board approves eliminating, through attrition, the following professional staff positions effective July 1, 2012: one (1) physical education teacher; one (1) technology coach; one (1) music education teacher (.75 position); and one (1) librarian. (Item 12.3 on the agenda). **The motion to remove from the table was unanimously approved.**

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves eliminating, through attrition, the following professional staff positions effective July 1, 2012: one (1) physical education teacher; one (1) technology coach; one (1) music education teacher (.75 position); and one (1) librarian.

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

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

Yes – 5, No – 2, Abstentions – 0, Absent – 2

Mr. Hayes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board removes from the table the following item:

EMPLOYMENT – Short-Term Substitute

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The motion to remove from the table was unanimously approved.

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the Board approves the following short-term professional substitute:

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Dates:	2/24/12 through 3/28/12

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

Mr. Bear – Yes	Ms. Martin – Absent
Mr. Berk – Abstain	Mr. Merlie – Yes
Mrs. Capozzi – Absent	Mr. Slifko – Yes
Mr. Clepper – Yes	Mr. Winters – Yes
Mr. Hayes – Yes	

Yes – 6, No – 0, Abstentions – 1, Absent – 2

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary