

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2012**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on April 16, 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 Bitner, Assist. Principal - YBMS
David Boley, Principal - Rice
Connie Connolly – Director of Spec. Ed.
Mark Correll, Assist. Principal – BSHS
Shelly Lappi, Assist. Principal - Rice
Joseph Mancuso, Principal – BSHS
Sharonn Williams, Director of Instructional Tech.
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 Ms. Martin, that the Board approves the minutes of following meetings:

- April 2, 2012 - Regular Board Meeting
- April 10, 2012 – Budget Workshop

The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, that the Board approves the Treasurer's Report for March 2012.

March 2012

The Board approved the payment of bills for the month of March 2012, represented by checks #45714 to #45991 inclusive, in the amount of \$1,943,588.88.

The Board approved the March Student Activity Funds – Pursuant to Section 511 of the Public School Code, represented by checks #14130 to #14164 inclusive, in the amount of \$43,278.88, and are enclosed with the financial report.

The Board approved requisitions payable from the Capital Reserve Fund (PSDLAF) for March 2012, represented by check #222267 in the amount of \$3,965.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Coyle of 38 Frost Road in Gardners, addressed the Board about the recent court-ordered boundary line change between South Middleton Township and Dickinson Township. Currently a son of Mrs. Coyle, Chase Joubert, attends W.G. Rice Elementary School, but the boundary line change places their residence in Carlisle Area School District. Mrs. Coyle is requesting that child remain in South Middleton School District.

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

Dr. Sanker reminded Board members that the Special Needs Prom is scheduled for May 2, 2012 at the West Shore Free Church. There are also two spring concerts scheduled for next week.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS - None

TOPIC DISCUSSION

Mrs. Holly Brzycki, Supervisor of Online Learning at the Capital Area Intermediate Unit made a presentation to the School Directors about online learning.

Mr. Merlie, Board President, led the Board in a discussion regarding the 2012 Board goals. Mr. Bear made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clepper that the Board goals be finalized and approved. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee

Mrs. Capozzi reported that the Education Committee met on April 10, 2012, and reviewed textbook adoptions, changes in the core curriculum, and elementary enrollments (section K of the 2012-2013 preliminary budget).

Policy Committee

Note: Policy Committee did not meet on April 10, 2012. The meeting is re-scheduled for April 23, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, that the Board approves the agenda of April 16, 2012, with all corrections as indicated. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board agrees to remove from the table for consideration, the TherAbilities contract agreement for the 2012-2013 school year. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Berk made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winters, that the Board approves a one (1) year contract agreement with TherAbilities for the 2012-2013 school year to provide occupational and physical therapy services to eligible students attending South Middleton School District. The contract agreement is eight days of occupational therapy services at the rate of \$498.00/day and 100 hours of physical therapy services at the rate of \$71.00/hr. **On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.**

Ms. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, to approve the following items in a block motion:

PERSONNEL

That the Board approves the following personnel items:

PROFESSIONAL

Return from Leave of Absence

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Cynthia Bailey, French teacher at the Boiling Springs High School, stating her intention to return from her childrearing leave of absence, effective June 1, 2012.

CLASSIFIED

Return from Leave of Absence

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from Kelly Hart, Special Education aide at the Yellow Breeches Middle School, stating her intention to return from her leave of absence, effective April 10, 2012.

Resignation

The Board accepted the resignation of Debra Neumayer from the position of kitchen aide, effective April 6, 2012.

Employment – Summer Help – Maintenance

The Board employed the following summer maintenance/grounds workers at \$8.00/hr.

Andrew Vensel
825 York Rd
Carlisle, PA

Edward Wilson
207 Walnut Street
Boiling Springs, PA

Matthew Clugh
20 Sheeley Lane
Boiling Springs, PA

Stephen Echard
8 Logan Drive
Gardners, PA

Seth Goodyear
31 Hamilton Rd.
Boiling Springs, PA

Robert Waynick
4707 Marblehead St.
Harrisburg, PA
(Crew Leader: \$11.00/hr.)

Leave of Absence

The Board approved the request by Maria Bessasparis for an unpaid leave of absence from the support staff position of IFEC Building Nurse for the 2012-2013 school year.

The motion passed unanimously.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cumberland County Tax Collection Bureau

Mr. Vensel was not able to attend.

South Middleton Township

Mr. Berk will be unable to attend the next meeting. Mr. Merlie will attend in his place.

RECOMMENDATIONS OR QUESTIONS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Katie Webber, student representative to the Board, reported that PSSAs will be starting soon. The BSHS prom is scheduled for May 4, 2012.

Anthony Kallhoff, student representative to the Board, reported that a film festival was held last Friday and several students went to the State TSA conference.

Mr. Berk thanked the Administration for their work in preparing a budget for the 2012-2013 school year.

Mr. Hayes thanked the Board for taking the time to work on Board goals.

Mr. Clepper attended parent/teacher conferences at Rice.

Mr. Slifko and Ms. Martin thanked Sharonn Williams arranging for visits to classrooms in order to see technology in use.

Mr. Winters inquired whether the baseball field is in need of more dirt.

Mr. Merlie thanked Mrs. Connolly for her work on the TherAbilities contract.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Mrs. Morrett of Enick Drive inquired about the status of the Strategic Planning Committee.

FOR THE RECORD

The Board met in Executive Session this evening at 8:33 p.m. for a student issue and returned to regular session at 9:02 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Slifko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berk, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard R. Vensel
Board Secretary