



**SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

**Education Committee Meeting
SLSD Administration Building Conference Room
8/13/2012
6:00 PM**

Minutes

I. OPENING PROCEDURES

A. Time - *Call to Order* – 6:05 PM

B. Recording of attendance by the Secretary

In attendance: Dorothy Mohr, James Lindsay, Bill Hayes, Leah Christman, Ken Jordan, Kristen Lewis, and Joan Takacs.

Visitors: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from July 2012 meeting: Approved

II. OLD BUSINESS

III. NEW BUSINESS / PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

A. Spanish Immersion Math Materials – Mr. Jordan shared that the Common Core Version has finally been published and will be in classrooms for the fall.

B. Sapphire Community Portal – Mr. Jordan discussed that Sapphire has released a portal that allows for online data input by parents.

C. New HS Science Textbooks – Mrs. Takacs discussed the new books being proposed for purchase.

D. PISA (Program for International Student Assessment) – Mrs. Christman shared that we have been invited to participate in this assessment. The administration is recommending that we not participate based on loss of instructional time.

E. Technology Updates – Mr. Jordan updated the committee on the progress on our technology initiatives.

F. 2012-13 Proposed Meeting Dates were discussed and decided.

G. Accelerated Math Procedures – Mrs. Lewis discussed the new procedure designed to address student success.

H. A community member shared a book with some board members about “Tools of the Mind”, as an approach to teaching.

I. An update on class size was given.

IV. VISITORS' COMMENTS – None.

V. ADJOURNMENT – 6:50 PM

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None needed.

ATTEST: *Kristen Lewis*, Recorder