



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

**Education Committee Meeting  
High School Faculty Lounge Room  
11/21/2011  
6:00 PM**

***Minutes***

**I. OPENING PROCEDURES**

A. Time - *Call to Order* – 6:03 PM

B. Recording of attendance by the Secretary

In attendance: *Leah Christman, Joan Takacs, Ken Jordan, Kristen Lewis, Bill Hayes, Patti Mohr, and Corinne Gunkle*

Visitor: *Karen Przelomski*

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from September 2011 meeting: Minutes were approved.

III. OLD BUSINESS – None.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS / PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS**

A. Field Trips (attachments)

1. Secondary - Mrs. Takacs

a. Franklin Institute – Grade 7

b. DeSales University – Symposium for Leadership and Sports Psychology for High School Athletes

c. University of PA – CSI Egypt

2. Elementary - Mrs. Lewis

a. Savidge Farm – Grades 4-6 Life Skills Class

b. Giant – Grades 4-6 Life Skills Class

B. High School Program of Studies – Mrs. Takacs. Program of Studies changes were discussed.

C. MS/HS Scheduling Committee. Mrs. Christman gave an update on the progress of this committee. Documents for this committee are all online.

D. DeSales - Potential Grant with India. Mrs. Christman gave information on a grant that would be in conjunction with DeSales. DeSales Education department is applying for the grant and asked us to partner with them.

E. Future of Chinese and Arabic Housing and teachers. We are at the point with our Chinese enrollment where we could use two teachers. We are applying for a

second year for the Arabic teacher and it is only for two years so after that we will need to look at other options. Mrs. Christman discussed her concerns for the future for finding housing options for them.

- F. Gifted Update. Mrs. Lewis discussed the first PAGE meeting. Chapter 16 has been revised and the district is in the process of developing a plan for implementation.
- G. Access Update. Mrs. Lewis discussed the district's plan for implementing ACCESS.
- H. Class Size. Mrs. Christman discussed the class sizes for the MS and HS.
- I. Drivers Education Simulation Van. LCCC received a grant for a simulation van and it will come to visit our district twice during the year.
- J. Technology Update. Mr. Jordan presented an update to the status of technology in the district. Sapphire has been implemented for three months and our first report cards have been generated. Report training has been conducted. Apple came in and talked with the secondary to discuss 1 to 1 as part of the secondary school.
- K. Student Teacher Action Research Project. A Lehigh University student teacher has requested to complete an action research project in her classroom placement.

V. VISITORS' COMMENTS

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (ANY TIME IF NEEDED) None needed.

VII. ADJOURNMENT – 6:55 PM.