



Southern Lehigh School District

Board of School Directors Meeting

July 16, 2012

The first regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh was held at 7:45 p.m. on the above date (July 16, 2012) at Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, PA.

PRESENT: McLoughlin, Dimmig, Gunkle, Hayes, Lindsay, Lycett, Mohr, Quigley (arrived at 7:55 p.m.), Stelts

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Christman, Melber, Lewis, Millman, Bartholomew, Kennedy, Takacs, Bergey, Davidson, Farris, Limpar, Rich (Patch.com), Rizzo (Morning Call), and approximately 7 other members of the community.

OPENING PROCEDURES

Dr. McLoughlin led the Board and others attending the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2012 meeting as distributed to all Board members.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley

VISITORS

JoAnn Davenport addressed the Board with concerns about increased enrollment and first grade class size

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Mohr to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** items as follows -

Approve the bills list dated July 16, 2012 showing paid bills in the amount of \$2,920,103.89 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$347,981.31 for a total amount of \$3,268,085.20 for the General Fund and paid bills in the amount of \$1,344.35 for the Capital Reserve Sinking Fund and bills to be paid in the amount of 15,120 for the Construction Fund;

Approve the Treasurer's Report and Investment Report for the month of May, 2012;

Approve the following substitute teachers, effective the last teacher day of the 2011-2012 school year through the 2012-13 school year-

Joan Himmelberger, Special Ed, Elementary, Elementary School Counselor

Diane Marmor, Art

Joan Ligon, French

Pamela Phillipe, Elementary;

Approve to change the effective retirement date for Ann Greenzweig from September 25, 2012 (*approved at the May 21, 2012 Board meeting*) to September 27, 2012;

Approve the childrearing leave of Rochelle Hufgard, Special Education Teacher, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, for the 2012-2013 school year;

Approve unpaid days of the following staff-

Erin Bromfield, Mathematics Teacher, Southern Lehigh High School, October 1, 2012 through October 5, 2012, October 8 and 9, 2012, and March 26, 2013.

Approve the following student teacher placements (*pending receipt of required paperwork*)-

Nicole Cruts, Health and Physical Education, West Chester University, with Megan Dellegrotti, Southern Lehigh High School, from August 28, 2012 to October 19, 2012 and Gretchen Hoff, Lower Milford and Liberty Bell Elementary Schools, from October 22, 2012 to December 13, 2012,

Zacharia Garcia, Health and Physical Education, West Chester University, with Gretchen Hoff, Lower Milford and Liberty Bell Elementary Schools, from August 28, 2012 to October 19, 2012 and Megan Dellegrotti, Southern Lehigh High School, from October 22, 2012 to December 13, 2012;

Approve the following increment requests, effective September 1, 2012-

Gregory Collins, Masters to Masters +15

Tara Collins, Masters to Masters +15

Stephanie Donald, Masters +15 to Masters +30

Stephen Schrader, Masters to Masters +15

Charise Trilling, Bachelors to Bachelors +15;

Approve the following substitute staff, effective June 5, 2012 through the 2012-13 school year-

Patricia Grabus, Substitute Instructional Assistant

Nicole Castetter, Substitute Secretary;

Approve the following staff-

Kristine Melnick, Long-term Substitute Instructional Assistant, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, at an hourly rate of \$17.12, for the 2012-2013 school year. Ms. Melnick will fill the position for Amanda Ruth due to the childrearing leave of Rochelle Hufgard.

Josh Ludwig, Systems Technician, at an annual salary of \$37,500 (pro-rated) effective July 17, 2012 (*pending receipt of required documentation*). This is a new position;

Approve unpaid leave of the following staff-

Jane White, Cafeteria Worker, Lower Milford Elementary School, for September 20 and 21, 2012.

Ellen Gehris, Cafeteria Worker, Southern Lehigh Middle School, for October 22, 2012 through November 2, 2012;

Approve Donna Atkinson as Health Services Leader for the 2012-2013 school year at a stipend of \$2371;

Approve Tamme Westbrooks as Guidance Leader for the 2012-2013 school year at a stipend of \$2371;

Approve the following Special Education Leaders for the 2012-2013 school year-

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| <u>Brooke Ruch</u> | Special Ed Leader K-6 | \$1067** |
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| <u>Cynthia Sterrett</u> | Special Ed Leader K-6 | \$1067** |
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*** Shared position and stipend.*

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| <u>Patricia Schultheis</u> | Special Ed Leader 7-8 | \$2134 |
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| <u>Caryn Bronfenbrenner</u> | Special Ed Leader 9-12 | \$2845; |
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Approve Linda Gross and Stephanie Donald as teachers for the 2012 High School Prep Program at an hourly rate of \$38.82;

Approve Ryan Haupt and Janet Miltenberger as teachers for the SAT Prep Fall and Spring classes for the 2012-2013 school year at an hourly rate of \$38.82 until August 30, 2012. The hourly rate for 2012-2013 will be determined after the 2012-2013 school year begins;

Approve the following staff to provide homebound instruction for the 2011-2012 school year at an hourly rate of \$38.82-

Sara Hovis

Patricia Brown

Jamie O'Donnell;

Approve the following subject area leaders for the 2012-2013 school year. Actual stipends will not be known until the 2012-2013 school year has begun. Stipends listed are those of 2011-2012 as noted in Appendix C-Part 1-Section 19 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement-

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| <u>Pamela Kuntzman</u> | Elem Language Arts | \$1600.50** |
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| <u>Donna Gaugler</u> | Elem Language Arts | \$1600.50** |
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*** Shared position and total stipend of \$3201.*

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| <u>Heather Toto</u> | MS Language Arts | \$2770 |
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| <u>Jeffrey Hershey</u> | HS Language Arts | \$3201 |
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| <u>Danielle DeAngelo</u> | Elem Mathematics | \$1600.50** |
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| <u>Joseph Deutsch</u> | Elem Mathematics | \$1600.50** |
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*** Shared position and total stipend of \$3201.*

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| <u>Christopher Strobl</u> | MS Mathematics | \$2770 |
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| <u>Ryan Haupt</u> | HS Mathematics | \$1600.50** |
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| <u>Justina Viola</u> | HS Mathematics | \$1600.50** |
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*** Shared position and total stipend of \$3201.*

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| <u>Maria Ramunni</u> | Elem Social Studies | \$2770 |
| <u>Anita Benedix</u> | MS Social Studies | \$2232 |
| <u>Thomas Beaupre</u> | HS Social Studies | \$2770 |
| <u>David Kohler</u> | Elem Science | \$1385** |
| <u>Nicholas Weaver</u> | Elem Science | \$1385** |
| <i>** Shared position and total stipend of \$2770.</i> | | |
| <u>David Marchek</u> | MS Science | \$2232 |
| <u>Patricia Smiley</u> | HS Science | \$1600.50 plus \$250** |
| <u>Joseph Helinski</u> | HS Science | \$1600.50 plus \$250** |
| <i>** Shared position and total stipend of \$3201, plus \$500.</i> | | |
| <u>Megan Dellegrotti</u> | Health/Phys Ed | \$3201 |
| <u>Robert Gaugler</u> | Technology Ed | \$3201 |
| <u>Heidi Schiavone</u> | Library Science | \$2232 |
| <u>Linda Gross</u> | Family Consumer Science | \$1385** |
| <u>Anne Snell</u> | Family Consumer Science | \$1385** |
| <i>** Shared position and total stipend of \$2770.</i> | | |
| <u>Bonnie Organski</u> | Business/Computers/Information Technology | \$1600.50** |
| <u>JoAnn Peralta</u> | Business/Computers/Information Technology | \$1600.50** |
| <i>** Shared position and stipend.</i> | | |
| <u>Douglas Bolasky</u> | Music | \$3201 |
| <u>Joan Imms-Geiser</u> | World Language | \$3201 |

Approve a thirteen-week worksite experience for the following participant through the Lehigh Valley Workforce Investment Board of Pennsylvania Career Link Lehigh Valley;

Ruth Kugelman, Administration Building, will be under the supervision of Mrs. Kristen Lewis, Assistant to the Superintendent (*pending receipt of required documentation*);

Accept the resignation of the following coaches-

Jayme Baker, Head MS Field Hockey, effective June 6, 2012

Terri Baker, Asst. MS Field Hockey, effective June 4, 2012;

Approve the following coaches for the 2012-2013 school year. The stipend amounts represent the appropriate stipend amount for 2011-2012. The 2012-2013 stipend amounts will be determined after the 2012-2013 school year begins-

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| <u>Joshua Miller</u> | Assistant Football | \$5218.20 |
| <u>Derek Weedling</u> | Assistant Football | \$1159.60 |
| <u>David Loew</u> | Boys' Assistant Soccer | \$4233** |
| <u>Mark Evans</u> | Head Boys' Soccer | \$7054** |

*** Pending receipt of required documentation.*

Approve the following returning coaches for the 2012-2013 school year. The stipend amounts represent the appropriate stipend amount for 2011-2012. The 2012-2013 stipend amounts will be determined after the 2012-2013 school year begins-

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| <u>Rodney Koch</u> | Boys' Assistant Soccer | \$2116.50** |
| <i>**Shared position with coach to be named and total stipend of \$4233.</i> | | |
| <u>Kara Kernick</u> | Assistant Cheerleading (Fall) | \$397.67** |
| <i>** Shared position (33/67% split) with Melissa Ganter.</i> | | |
| <u>Colleen Iannetta</u> | Head Cheerleading (Fall) | \$1989 |
| <u>Colleen Iannetta</u> | Competition Cheerleading (Fall) | \$1245.67** |
| <i>** Shared position (67/33% split) with Kara Kernick.</i> | | |
| <u>Kara Kernick</u> | Competition Cheerleading (Fall) | \$622.84** |
| <i>** Shared position (33/67% split) with Colleen Iannetta.</i> | | |
| <u>Megan Herstine</u> | MS Cheerleading (MS) | \$1193 |
| <u>Randy Latza</u> | Head Cross Country | \$5605 |
| <u>Cotie Strong</u> | Assistant Cross Country | \$3363 |
| <u>Andraea Drabenstott</u> | Girls' Tennis | \$4832 |
| <u>Adrienne Searfoss</u> | Head Field Hockey | \$6796 |
| <u>Ian Beitler</u> | Assistant Field Hockey | \$4078 |
| <u>Natalie Deacon</u> | Assistant Field Hockey | \$4078 |
| <u>John Toman</u> | Head Football | \$8697.60 |
| <u>Derek Bleiler</u> | Assistant Football | \$5218.20 |
| <u>Michael Feifel</u> | Assistant Football | \$5218.20 |
| <u>Adam Legath</u> | Assistant Football | \$5218.20 |
| <u>Stephen Schrader</u> | Assistant Football | \$5218.20 |
| <u>Stanley Sroka</u> | Assistant Football | \$1159.60 |
| <u>Joseph Glassic</u> | MS Football Head | \$4349 |
| <u>Thomas Seidenberger</u> | MS Football Assistant | \$2899 |
| <u>Matthew Greenawald</u> | Golf | \$4832 |
| <u>Douglas Roncolato</u> | Head Girls' Soccer | \$7054 |
| <u>Richard Dreves</u> | Girls' Assistant Soccer | \$4233 |
| <u>John Kukitz</u> | Girls' Assistant Soccer | \$4233 |
| <u>Donald West</u> | Volleyball Head | \$5605 |
| <u>Donald West, Sr.</u> | Volleyball Assistant | \$2242** |
| <i>** Shared position (67%/33 split) with Kristin Linhart.</i> | | |
| <u>Kristin Linhart</u> | Volleyball Assistant | \$1121** |
| <i>** Shared position (33%/67 split) with Donald West, Sr.</i> | | |

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| <u>Paulette Elstner</u> | MS Volleyball Head | \$2522 |
| <u>Jodie Elstner</u> | MS Volleyball Assistant | \$1681; |

Approve Robert Clark, Assistant to the Coordinator of Athletics, at a stipend of \$1666.66 (50% of stipend to be shared with individual to be named) for the 2012-2013 fall sports season;

Approve the following volunteer coaches for the 2012-2013 school year-

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| <u>Terrence Nevill</u> | Boys' Soccer |
| <u>Anne Cooper</u> | HS Cheerleading |
| <u>Eugene Legath</u> | Football; |

Approve to change the stipend (*approved at the May 21, 2012 Board meeting*) for Melissa Ganter, Competition Cheerleading (Fall), to \$795.34. This reflects a 67/33% split stipend with *Kara Kernick*.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley

CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mr. Covelle, Mr. Davidson, Mrs. Farris and Ms. Limpar reported on student and staff activities at the High School, Middle School, Intermediate School and the elementary schools.

High School report

- Building maintenance progressing.
- High School Transition program scheduled.
- "Draft" schedule expected shortly.
- Preparations for start of school underway.

Middle School report –

- Two High School students are part of the summer custodial crew and doing an outstanding job.
- Preparations for new school year continue.

Intermediate School report –

- Custodial staff working diligently.
- Working through master and student schedule challenges, greeting new families, testing students for accelerated math coursework.

Elementary schools –

- Custodial staff working hard and doing a great job.
- Summer camps have gotten off with great success: Liberty Trails, Lower Milford; Camp Invention, Hopewell; Kindergarten and first grade reading camps, Liberty Bell.

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to approve (pending solicitor's review) the Independent Contractor Agreement between Dr. Richard Shillabeer, an independent contractor, state, and nationally certified school psychologist, and the Southern Lehigh School District for a comprehensive school-based educational neuropsychological evaluation for student #061202. The District will compensate Dr. Shillabeer at a fee up to \$4,000 to complete a comprehensive school-based educational neuropsychological evaluation report.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Mohr to approve the "Notice of Adoption Policies, Procedures, and Use of Funds" by the Southern Lehigh School District for the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit's policies and procedures manual under the federal requirement of 34 CFR Part 300.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley

(Mr. Quigley arrived at 7:55 p.m.)

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Mohr to decline Title III funding based upon regulations that must be followed in order to expend \$5703 the grant provides for the 2012-2013 school year.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Mohr to approve the Contract for the Transportation of School Pupils for SarCare, Inc. for summer 2012 ESY (Extended School Year) services (July 9, 2012 through August 3, 2012) for student #061201 at the rate of \$30/day for transportation and \$20/hour for personal care assistance. The total amount to be paid shall not exceed \$1780.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Mohr and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve the agreement to participate in eLearn 21 between the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit and the Southern Lehigh School District for web based online learning system. The term of the Agreement is July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Mohr to approve two teachers and two instructional assistants to be paid at their appropriate rates in order to conduct Title I parent workshops in the evening throughout the 2012-2013 school year. Payment will be made through Title I funds.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to renew the following existing insurance policies for 2012-2013, as follows-

Package Policy (Property and Fire, General Liability, EDP, Inland Marine, Contractors Equipment, Crime, Boiler & Machinery, etc.) – Ohio Casualty Insurance Company at an annual premium of \$67,594 (an increase of 17.4%).

School Leaders Errors and Omissions Policy (Employer’s Liability for Directors, Employees, and Volunteers) – Old Republic Insurance Company at an annual premium of \$19,153 (an increase of 38.2%).

Umbrella Liability Policy (Excess Coverage above Underlying Policies) – PSBA/Old Republic Insurance Company at an annual premium of \$14,443 (unchanged).

Blanket Policy for PTA’s, PTO’s, Booster Clubs, etc. – Ohio Casualty Insurance Company at an annual premium of \$501 (unchanged).

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to renew the District’s existing student accident and athletic insurance for 2012-2013 through First National Insurance Agency, LLC of Sunbury, PA, as summarized below. The policy is administered by American Management Advisors of Langhorne, PA and underwritten by ACE American Insurance Company, Philadelphia, PA. Interscholastic Sports, Intramurals, and Club Sports – Annual premium of \$7,061, paid by the School District, represents a \$336 increase from the prior year

Voluntary Student Accident Coverage, School Time Only - \$30/year, paid by parents, unchanged from prior year

Voluntary Student Accident Coverage, 24-Hour Coverage - \$116/year, paid by parents, unchanged from prior year.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to approve the attached resolution concerning the designation of depositories and the investment of District funds.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2nd BY** Stelts to approve the request to make all necessary budgetary transfers to properly reflect 2011-12 transactions and auditor adjusting entries and to close out the accounting records for the fiscal year.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Mohr to approve reappointment of Attorney James Bartholomew (Fitzpatrick, Lentz & Bubba, P.C.) as school solicitor for the 2012-2013 school year.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – McLoughlin, Dimmig, Gunkle, Hayes, Lindsay, Lycett, Mohr, Stelts – Motion Carried
“NO” – Quigley
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to approve the Nagy Law Offices to handle any tax assessment appeals that are in conflict with the district’s solicitor or the solicitor’s firm for the 2012-2013 school year.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to approve the Fund Balance Designations for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Mohr to approve the bid awards for High School art supplies and High School science supplies.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Mohr to approve Mrs. Corinne Gunkle who was elected School Board Treasurer in December, 2011, to continue to serve as School Board Treasurer until the next election of board officers in December, 2012.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Mohr and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve the continuation of bonding of the Board Treasurer and Board Secretary at the current level of \$50,000.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to approve the attached Harris School Solutions agreement (*pending review by the Solicitor*), to upgrade the Point of Sale system for the Food Services Department. Upgrades include an improved operating system, 6 touch screen registers at the Middle and High schools, installation, and on-site training. The total cost of \$19,886.50 includes annual support and subscription fees.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

There was Board discussion.

SUPPORT SERVICES

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts approve the Trash and Recycling Service to Chrin Hauling, Inc., 635 Industrial Drive, Easton, PA 18042. The three year contract reflects an annual cost of \$27,862 for the period of July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2015.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to approve authorization to mail 2012-2013 student transportation cards prior to the School Board's approval of routes at the August School Board meeting. The approved routes from 2011/2012 will adjusted to address new students, changes in school or student program assignment, grade change, residence changes, system improvements, safety concerns or system efficiency. Brandywine Lehigh Transportation will review bus routes for safety and efficiency prior to the mailing.

In accordance with 22 PA Code 23.4 et.al, all required transportation documentation will be brought to the School Board for approval at the August 13, 2012 School Board Meeting.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

PERSONNEL

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to accept the retirement of the following staff:

Mary Stauffer, Grade 2 Teacher, Hopewell Elementary School, effective June 25, 2012. Mrs. Stauffer has been an employee of the district for 8 years.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve the following certificated staff:

Erica Rich, School Psychologist, Southern Lehigh Middle School, at Masters +30, Step 10, an annual salary of \$59,220, effective August 21, 2012. The salary listed is for the 2011-2012 school year and the 2012-2013 salary will be determined after the school year begins. Ms. Rich will fill the position created with the resignation of Rebecca Harries.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve Amanda Ruth, Long-Term Substitute Teacher, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, at B, Step 13, an annual salary of \$45,185, for the 2012-2013 school year. The salary listed is for the 2011-2012 school year and the 2012-2013 salary will be determined after the school year begins. This appointment is the result of a teacher transfer to fill in during the childrearing leave of Rochelle Hufgard.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve the sabbatical leave for Jennifer Jaen, Spanish Teacher, Southern Lehigh High School, for the 2012-2013 school year.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Gunkle to accept the retirement of the following staff-

Deborah Hufgard, Instructional Assistant, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, effective July 8, 2012. Ms. Hufgard has been an employee of the district for 25 years.

Barbara Reifinger, Cafeteria Worker, Southern Lehigh Middle School, effective June 5, 2012. Ms. Reifinger has been an employee of the district for 13 years.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

REPORTS

Education Committee

Mrs. Gunkle reported the following:

- Student Handbooks approved with no major changes.
- A/P Chemistry books discussed.
- The HS 1:1 computer committee met.to discuss roll-out of 2012-13 schedule.

Facilities Committee

Mr. Dimmig and Mr. Bergey reported the following:

- The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2012.
- Curley Horse Recreation- Still waiting for notification from Upper Saucon Township on zoning changes with formal agreement expected.
- Tennis Court Project-Completion expected this week. Public use after school hours is pending Upper Saucon Township approval.

LCCC

Mrs. Mohr reported the following:

- Mr. William Miracle was elected as the new trustee-at-large on the Board of Trustees of Lehigh Carbon Community College. Mr. Miracle's term will expire on June 30, 2018.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Christman reported the following:

- Continuing to keep a close watch on class sizes in the primary grades, trying to balance budget concerns with educational concerns of the youngest students

Mr. Joe King addressed the Board concerning increased 1st grade class sizes at Liberty Bell Elementary School.

- PDE continues to work on roll-out plans for Keystone Exams with no PSSA for 11th grade this year.
- Pennsylvania will not be requesting flexibility to No Child Left Behind and the established benchmarks. This means we are still on track for 100% proficiency by all students for 2014. Proficiency for Keystone exams will be required for graduation starting with the class of 2017.
- All education administrators will complete 2 day training through CLIU for the Educator Effectiveness Program.
- Several laws were passed which require additional training and documentation to the State.
- All administrators will participate in an Administrative Retreat this Wednesday through Friday to discuss leadership skills required for success and to plan building/department and personal goals for growth in the upcoming year.
- Parent letters for PSSA student results are being processed at each school for mailing.
- Still looking for host families for critical language teachers.

Strategic Plan/Middle States Report

The Strategic Plan/Middle States Report is available on the district’s website.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve a first reading of the following policies: (XI, A)

Policy #000 Local Board Procedures: *Board Policy Procedure/Administrative Regulations (replaces existing Policies #014, #017, and #017.1)*

Policy #006 Local Board Procedures: *Meeting (replaces existing Policy #020)*

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

There was Board discussion regarding Policy #006.

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Stelts to rescind the following policies:

Policy #013 Local Board Procedures: *Relationship of the District Superintendent to Staff*

Policy #225 Pupils: *Police Intervention*

Policy #231 Pupils: *Social Events*

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve the annual renewal of the agreement between the Southern Lehigh School District and Pottsgrove School District for the

purpose of the Radiological Emergency Response Plan for incidents at the Limerick Generating Station.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

COMMUNICATIONS

VISITORS

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY Stelts and **2ND BY** Gunkle to adjourn the meeting.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried
ABSENT: None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

ATTEST: _____ Board Secretary