



Southern Lehigh School District

Board of School Directors Workshop Meeting

October 28, 2013

Due to the lack of a quorum, the second regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh was conducted as a workshop and commenced at 7:30 p.m. on the above date (October 28, 2013) at LCTI, Schnecksville PA.

PRESENT: Dimmig, Gunkle, McLoughlin, Quigley

ABSENT: Hayes, Lycett, Steltz, Mohr, Lindsay

OTHERS: Christman, Lewis, Melber, Kennedy, Takacs, Jordan, Bergey, Farris, Hafner, and approximately 1 other member of the community.

OPENING PROCEDURES

Mr. Dimmig announced that as a result of the lack of a quorum, the evening would be a board workshop and no business would be discussed

VISITORS

None

CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

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

High School report –

- A few of the fall sports teams are currently in the running for District titles this week and we wish them good luck.
- Staff and students bid farewell to Mr. Covelle on Friday, October 25. We wish him well in his new endeavors at East Penn.
- 11/1 - Teachers will be working on their pacing guides and teaching strategies in the A/B Block Schedule during the in-service day.

Middle School report –

- 10/28 - Red Ribbon Week –"Team Up Against Drugs Day" - Wear your favorite team jersey or shirt
- 10/29, 31 - Students will receive a red ribbon gift in homeroom
- 10/30 - "Red Day" - Wear red to show support
- 10/30 – End of first marking period
- 11/1 – ½ day in-service day; staff will be working on PVAAS data
- 11/8 - Report Cards mailed and school dance

- Classroom Diagnostic Testing (CDT) administered for the following subjects-

- Math CDT's will be given the week of November 4th
- Reading CDT's will be given the week of November 11th
- Writing CDT's will be given the week of November 18th
- Science CDT's will be given the week of December 2nd
- 11/19-22 - Parent Conferences
- Pink Week October 14th-18th – Breast Cancer Awareness
- Movember – Men's Health Awareness

Intermediate School report –

- 10/29 - JPLIS will be hosting Officer Iannace of the PA State Police, Bureau of Investigations, Computer Crimes Unit. He will be offering a workshop session aimed at helping parents, educators and the community recognize, prevent, respond and report incidents of Cyber-Bullying, Sexting, and other harmful social media behaviors that have become more commonplace with the use of technology by today's youth.
- The Positive Behavior Support team attended it's first formal training at the IU this month as a step in becoming fully recognized as a PBS school.
- The first marking period closes this week. Report cards are scheduled to go home with students on November 8th.
- On the afternoon of November 1, staff will be reviewing the 2014 PSSA testing blueprint by subject, and conducting grade level and subject data team meetings.
- 11/13 - Staff will be hosting the 3rd annual Math Parent Information Night and Carousel event. Teachers and staff will share information about the PA Common Core Standards, and review strategies and activities parents can use to assist their child in growing mathematically.

Elementary schools –

- 10/18 - Hopewell held their Race for Education fundraiser and had a great parent turnout.
- 10/22 - Parent Visitation at the three elementary schools and as always, parent turnout was extremely high.
- 10/23 - Liberty Bell's Race for Education fundraiser. The rain held off long enough for us to get in our races as there were many family members on hand helping out and cheering on our students.
- 10/25 - All three buildings held their annual Halloween Parade
- Wednesday is the last day of the 1st Quarter so staff are currently wrapping up assessments and will begin working on report cards which will go home next Friday, November 8th.
- 11/1 - There is an early dismissal for the first in-service day. Staff will be meeting with their respective data and grade level teams to review their first quarter data and goals.
- 11/11 - Lower Milford and Liberty Bell will be holding Veteran's Day celebrations to honor family members and friends who have served in the military.

REPORTS

Lehigh Career & Technical Institute

- Mr. Quigley reported that the Public Relations Committee approved upgrading the website to Word Press. The process for Accreditation renewal has begun.

Superintendent's Report

- The report is attached.

Strategic Plan/Middle States Report

- The report is attached.

VISITORS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dimmig ended the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

ATTEST: *Kristen Lewis* Assistant Board Secretary

Pending Approval