



Southern Lehigh School District

Board of School Directors Meeting

April 27, 2015

The second regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh was held at 7:32 p.m. on the above date (April 27, 2015) at Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, PA.

PRESENT: McLoughlin, Parsons, Gunkle, Dimmig, Hayes, Lycett (arrived at 8:33 p.m.)
Merkle
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley
OTHERS: Christman, Melber, Millman, Lewis, Kennedy, Jordan, Bergey, Takacs, Yale (SLEA), Malinchak (MCall) and approximately 65 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.

The Board met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss personnel and legal matters.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Speech and Debate advisor, Mr. David Long, introduced students who were recognized for their success in this year's speech and debate tournaments. Board awards were presented to the following students: Benjamin B., Fiona B., Georgian F., Madeline H., David K., Naomi L., Sarah M., Jason R., David R., Jake S., Talia T., Mindy W., and Lucy Z.

The following Liberty Bell Elementary school students attended and were recognized by the Board for their achievements in the KIDBIZ program. Kishore A. and Ryan K. had the highest daily score in the nation! These students had the highest weekly score in the state: Isabella S., Quinn F., Kishore A., Kylie C., Connor K. These students had the highest daily score in the state: Bradley B., Cade S., Hanna S., Frank G. and Jack M.

Congratulations to these students for their accomplishments!

VISITORS

Ms. Denise Kopinski, Volleyball Booster Club President, addressed the Board regarding the request for varsity status for the Southern Lehigh High School Boys Volleyball Team. The proposal presented is attached to the minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2015 meeting as distributed to all Board members.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** items as follows –

Approve the bills list dated April 27, 2015 showing paid bills in the amount of \$6,314.48 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$912,316.69 for a total amount of \$918,631.17 for the General Fund; and bills to be paid in the amount of \$36.56 for the Capital Reserve Sinking Fund;

Approve the Treasurer’s Report and Investment Report for the month of March, 2015;

Approve unpaid leave of the following staff-

Michael Fay, Social Studies Teacher, Southern Lehigh High School, April 24, 2015 (.5 day)

Approve unpaid leave of the following staff-

Melcina Chontofalsky, Cafeteria Worker, Southern Lehigh High School, May 4 and 5, 2015

Debbie Zweifel, Instructional Assistant, Southern Lehigh Middle School, May 21, 2015 (5.75 hours)

Approve the following ancillary employee for the 2014-2015 school year (pending approval of agenda item XI, C)-

David Dougherty Grant Coordinator, CEI Grant \$1390

Approve the following volunteer coach for the 2014-2015 school year-

Robert Butternaugh Football

Approve the following Assistants to the Coordinator of Athletics for the Spring season of the 2014-2015 school year:

Thomas Seidenberger \$1666.67 per season**

Donald Harakal \$1666.67 per season**

****Shared stipend of \$3333.33**

Approve the following staff for the Liberty Trails program scheduled from June 15, 2015 to July 2, 2015:

Kathleen Kale, Field Leader/Teacher Instructor, at a stipend of \$586.89 per week, plus an additional Field Leader stipend of \$825.83 per program

Lisa Lowry, Field Leader/Teacher, at a stipend of \$586.89 per week, plus an additional Field Leader stipend of \$825.83 per program

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mr. Sam Hafner, Liberty Bell Elementary School Principal, presented KIDBIZ, the web-based literacy program. Teachers, Mrs. Janet Miltenberger, Mrs. Melinda Watkins, and Ms. Colleen Pizzo also attended along with several students to demonstrate the applications of the program.

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the **Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams Legal Services Consultation Agreement** for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the **CLIU Technology Pool Legal Services Consultation Agreement** for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the AP US History textbook recommendations for the 2015-2016 school year. Textbooks have been on display in the Administration Building for two weeks.

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

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the following **school property tax refunds** per attachment-

- Jay & Denise Colson - \$97.90
- Paul & Elvira Wagner - \$106.19
- Margo Trainer - \$285.43
- Shannon Sullivan - \$112.21
- Jesse & Emily Smith - \$108.36
- Beth Pawlowski - \$241.31
- Brian & Tracia Mills - \$106.19
- Sarka Klecatsky - \$106.19
- Michael Kernick - \$130.29
- Sammy Hejazi - \$106.19
- Anthony & Teresa Buonanno - \$116.65
- Anthony & Teresa Buonanno - \$103.93
- 426 Stoneman LLC - \$463.17
- Frieder & Brigitte De Biasi - \$227.44
- Sharon & Garry Boyer - \$402.92
- Ted Benson - \$1,210.39
- Thomas Cook & Jarvis Edwin - \$199.58
- Thomas Cook & Jarvis Edwin - \$119.12

- James Murray - \$10.54
- Adam & Amy Goodman - \$1,054.38
- Reasinger Revocable Lvg Trust - \$697.25
- John & Margaret Burkey - \$110.48
- William Morgans - \$73.15
- Ria Tielman - \$103.93
- Ria Tielman - \$106.19
- Toll PA IV LP - \$ 1,727.68
- Christopher & Marie Lafaso - \$1,361.66
- Alan Troutman - \$2,515.45
- Alan Troutman - \$3,178.21
- Ming Zou - \$224.43
- Luhuai Liu & Zhao Suihua - \$212.38
- Martin & Leona Gessner - \$187.51
- Jacrory LP - \$2,679.64
- Carl & Susannah Detwiler - \$1,716.83
- Carl & Susannah Detwiler - \$1,664.57
- Robah & Gloria Swaim - \$355.47
- Robah & Gloria Swaim - \$94.89
- Robah & Gloria Swaim - \$183.01
- Thomas Williams - \$3,108.17
- Roger & Vanessa Hall - \$43.03
- Jay Geissingner - \$58.08
- Ward Hill - \$119.88
- Carol & Larry Rieker - \$342.67
- Thomas Roeder - \$301.25
- Robert & Pamela Roy - \$20.33
- William & Danelle Roy - \$284.34
- Elim Camp Meeting Assoc - \$552.55
- Richard & Helen Evans - \$106.19
- Sejal & Kalpesh Patel - \$106.19
- Saucon Creek Golf LP - \$403.68
- Eric Seaman - \$103.93
- James & Sandra Smith - \$106.19

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

SUPPORT SERVICES

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve award of the Lehigh County Procurement Office for the award of the Lehigh County Cooperative Diesel Fuel and Gasoline Bid #15-012, to Mansfield Oil Co., of Gainsville, GA. The fixed cost for bus diesel fuel will be a \$.016 per gallon discount under rack. This confirms preliminary results which were approved at the April 13, 2015 Board Meeting.

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

PERSONNEL

REPORTS

Education Committee

Mr. Hayes reported that the committee met prior to this meeting and reviewed the following-

- K-12 Language Arts
- Full day kindergarten
- Spanish Immersion

Facilities Committee

Mr. Merkle reported that the committee met on April 18, 2015 and discussed the following-

- 5/7 - New Elementary School bids due
- 5/8 – New Elementary School opening bids and recommendation for award of bids at the May 11, 2015 board meeting

CLIU Report

Mrs. Parsons reported the following from the May 4, 2015 CLIU Board meeting-

- 121 students served by CLIU and the positive behavior program through Lehigh Learning is proving to be a success
- 6/16 – Annual Golf Tournament, Olde Homestead Golf Course, New Tripoli, PA

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Christman reported the following-

- "Every 15 Minute" assemblies were held at the high school on April 16 and 17
- 4/18 Graduation projects presented by 10th grade students
- 8th grade students Alyssa K. and Ryan K. participated in the Chinese Language Team Competition at Montgomery County IU.
- A District Facebook page and Twitter account were launched this week
- A Parent/School Mobile App through School Info Apps will be available soon
- The entire Superintendent's Report is available on the district's website.

(Mr. Lycett arrived at 8:33 p.m.)

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the School Board Meeting dates for September, 2015 through August, 2016.

Dr. McLoughlin informed those in attendance that the previously scheduled June 8, 2015 School Board meeting has been changed to June 9, 2015, due to graduation being held on June 8, 2015. The June 22, 2015 meeting will be cancelled.

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

The ballots for the election of Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit Board of Directors were distributed to board members.

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to add the category of Grant Coordinator to the Ancillary Employees Policy.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the request for student #40115 to complete the 2014-2015 school year in accordance with provisions of Policy #200.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve a **first reading** of the following new policy-

#818 Operations: Contracted Services

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve a **first reading** of the following revised policies-

#351 Administrative Employees: *Drug and Substance Abuse*

#451 Professional Employees: *Drug and Substance Abuse*

#551 Classified Employees: *Drug and Substance Abuse*

#815 Operations: *Acceptable Use of Electronic Resources*

#915 Community: *Booster Organizations*

#915.1 Community: *Relations with PTA/PTO/PTG or Other Parent Organizations*

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the proposed **employment contract** with **Superintendent Dr. Leah M. Christman** for the term July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.

VOICE VOTE: “YES” – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

COMMUNICATIONS

VISITORS

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2nd BY** Parsons to adjourn the meeting.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried

ABSENT: Lindsay, Quigley

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

ATTEST: *Diana S. Millman* Board Secretary

PENDING APPROVAL