



**Southern Lehigh School District  
Board of School Directors  
School Board Workshop  
Monday, January 9, 2023**

**Southern Lehigh School District  
Teaching and Learning Workshop  
January 9, 2023  
Southern Lehigh High School  
High School Boardroom  
5800 Main Street  
Center Valley, PA 18034  
6:30 p.m.**

**School Board Meeting Minutes Monday, January 9, 2023- pending approval**

**Members present:** Jeffrey Dimmig (arrived at 7:10 p.m.), Kyle Gangewere, Emily Gehman, Nicole King, William Lycett, Stephen Maund, Mary Joy Reinartz (connection remotely by telephone), Priya Sareen, Christopher Wayock

**Administrators present:** Andria Buchman, Lynn Chromiak, Michael Mahon, Brian Mansfield, Sean McGinty, Louis Pepe, Anthony Pidgeon, Michael Rohrbach, Tamara Solometo, James Stulgis, Christopher Summa, Karen Trinkle, Deanna Webb

**Others present:**  
Anne Marie Loble

**1. OPENING PROCEDURES**

- a. Call to Order
  - i. Meeting was called to order by William Lycett at: 6:32 p.m.
- b. Recording of Attendance
  - i. Roll call of attendance taken:
    1. **Present:** Jeffrey Dimmig-roll call not present arrived at 7:10 p.m., Kyle Gangewere, Emily Gehman, Nicole King, William Lycett, Stephen Maund, Mary Joy Reinartz (connection remotely by telephone), Priya Sareen, Christopher Wayock
      - a. **Notiation:** William Lycett indicated that Jeffrey Dimmig would be arriving late. Jeffrey Dimmig arrived at 7:10 p.m.
    2. **Absent:** None

- c. Pledge of Allegiance
  - i. William Lycett will lead the Board and others attending the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **2. VISITORS' COMMENTS**

- a. Comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker to provide input to the board on items that are before us, or may come for us for a vote.
  - i. No visitors comments at this time

## **3. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES**

- a. Presentation of the Mid-year Report-Michael Mahon
  - i. Superintendent Michael Mahon presented the mid-year report for Southern Lehigh School District. Presentation highlighted strategic objectives. Expenses and revenues reviewed. Notation made that in the 2021-2022 fiscal year the District ended with a surplus of 2.2 million dollars. Fiscal impacts explained. Staffing adjustments were made throughout the year by utilization of attrition and realignment. New positions were added resulting in a savings of about one million dollars. District operations then noted. Computer applications eliminations were made along with reduction of third party contracts. Medical access revenue training will be planned for the 2023-2024 year. Explanations were made regarding the medical access revenue process. Facilities operations noted. Financial strategies were highlighted. Budget allocations are being driven by strategic objectives. District policy review is underway. Progress is being made regarding the Levin report. Internal controls are in place with positive results. Discussion and questions occurred.
    - 1. [Mid-year Report Presentation](#)

*Stephen Maund left the room at 7:10 pm, returning at 7:13 p.m.*

## **4. CURRICULUM RECOMMENDATIONS AND UPDATES**

- a. Presentation of Literacy Curriculum Recommendations-Dr. Karen Trinkle
  - i. Dr. Karen Trinkle, Dr. Tamara Solometo and Dr. Lynn Chromiak provided a presentation on the K-6 ELA Core Programming selection along with the timeline that was established. The presentation highlighted the following: steps taken to isolate the selection of Wit and Wisdom, how Wit and Wisdom will integrate with the systems currently in place, Heggerty and Geodes. Strengths and challenges of Wit and Wisdom were then explained. Community involvement will be in place as this implementation rolls out if this system is selected. Support and professional development

will be provided to teachers and instructional leaders as this program is implemented. Educational needs of our students will also be addressed as we work through the implementation. Board comments and questions occurred. Suggestion for an education committee made. This committee would work on all levels of education within the District. Board members should email Mary Joy Reinartz if interested.

1. [K-6 ELA Core Programming Presentation](#)
2. [Timeline for K-6 Literacy 2022-2023](#)

- b. Discussion of Southern Lehigh High School Program of Study
  - i. Document notation was provided to the Board for review. Discussion and questions occurred from the Board.
    1. [Proposed Changes to the Southern Lehigh High School Program of Study 2023-2024](#)
    2. [Proposed Southern Lehigh High School Program of Study 2023-2024](#)

## 5. HUMAN RESOURCES

- a. Review and discussion of the following Board policies listed below.
  - i. Anthony Pidgeon presented the proposed review and changes to the category 000 Local Board Procedures policies. Discussion, suggestions and questions occurred regarding policy 006 and visitor comments.

*Stephen Maund left the room at 8:37 p.m. and returned at 8:39 p.m.*

1. [Policy: 000](#)
2. [Policy: 001](#)
3. [Policy: 002](#)
4. [Policy: 003](#)
5. [Policy: 004](#)
6. [Policy: 005](#)
7. [Policy: 006](#)
8. [Policy: 006.1](#)
9. [Policy: 007](#)
10. [Policy: 011](#)
11. [Policy: 012](#)
12. [Policy: 016](#)
13. [Policy: 019](#)

## 6. GRADUATION UPDATES

- a. Discussion of Graduation Plans for the Class of 2023
  - i. Michael Mahon noted the graduation for the Class of 2023 is scheduled for June 2, 2023 at Stabler Arena.

## 7. VISITORS' COMMENTS

- a. Comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker to provide input to the board.
    - i. Tim Kearney spoke on various topics.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**
- a. William Lycett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m.
    - i. Second, Kyle Gangewere

*Respectfully submitted by Anne Marie Lobley  
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board Meeting Recorder*