



**Southern Lehigh School District
Board of School Directors
School Board Workshop
Monday, May 8, 2023**

**Southern Lehigh School District
Teaching and Learning Workshop
May 8, 2023
Southern Lehigh High School
High School Boardroom
5800 Main Street
Center Valley, PA 18034
6:30 p.m.**

School Board Workshop Minutes, Monday, May 8, 2023-pending approval

Members present: Kyle Gangewere, Emily Gehman, Nicole King, William Lycett, Stephen Maund, Priya Sareen, Christopher Waycok.

Members absent: Jeffery Dimmig, Mary Joy Reinartz

Administrators present: Michael Mahon, Joshua Miller, Louis Pepe, Anthony Pidgeon, Michael Rohrbach, Tamara Solometo, Christopher Summa, Karen Trinkle

Others Present: Anne Marie Loblely

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

- a. Call to Order
 - i. Meeting was called to order by William Lycett at: 6:31 pm.
- b. Recording of Attendance
 - i. Present:, Kyle Gangewere, Emily Gehman, Nicole King, William Lycett, Stephen Maund, Priya Sareen, Christopher Wayock
 - ii. Absent: Jeffery Dimmig, Mary Joy Reinartz
- c. Pledge of Allegiance
 - i. William Lycett led 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 visitor comments were made at this time.

3. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

- a. SLHS Champion Robotics Team Presentation
 - i. The SLHS Champion Robotics Team offered a brief update of their season to the Board and public. The presentation occurred prior to the opening visitor comments. Robotics Faculty Team Advisor, Mr. Piperato opened the presentation. Students then provided updates noting that thirty students were part of the team this competition year. The team made it to regionals and qualified and competed in the world championship, placing 43 out of 77 teams. There has been an increase in student membership this year and all Seniors will be pursuing STEM majors at Higher Education Institutions. A demo was then provided by the team. Comments and questions occurred from the Superintendent and the Board.
- b. Teacher Appreciation
 - i. Michael Mahon noted that this week is Teacher Appreciation and extended a thank you to all teachers in our District.
- c. [Southern Lehigh Education Foundation \(SLEF\)](#)
 - i. Michael Mahon provided an update on the reformation of the Southern Lehigh Education Foundation (SLEF). SLEF will operate independent from the District and Administration. Comments and questions addressed by the Board.
- d. [Presentation: Strategic Objectives Update](#)
 - i. Michael Mahon presented the status of strategic objectives for the district. Presentation highlighted the following: implementation of Foundations, Geodes and Read Well. A new core reading program, Wit and Wisdom was selected this year and will be implemented in Fall 2023. High priority curricular projects and reviews are underway. Dual Enrollment update, potential education pathway with LCCC and CLEP testing status made. Technology and Facilities updates were provided noting that the District now has an Architect of Record in place and major maintenance projects will be occurring this summer. Operational efficiency status made and in conclusion Human Resources launched a guest teacher program this year which has improved our fill rates. Comments and questions occurred by the Board.

Stephen Maund left the meeting at 7:27 and returned at 7:29

- e. Other District Initiatives
 - i. No other district updates were made at this time.

4. CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF SERVICES

- a. For Board review and discussion please find the Materials Inventory for Southern Lehigh School District. Items contained in this folder will either be posted for sale or disposed of according to District policy [801.1](#)
 - i. [Materials Inventory for Southern Lehigh School District](#)

Motion to dispose or post for sale items listed under category 4. Curriculum/Student and Staff Services, agenda item a, Materials Inventory for Southern Lehigh School District.

Motion: Kyle Gangeweres and Priya Sareen

Motion carried.

Questions and comments occurred by the Board

Yea: Kyle Gangewere, Emily Gehman, Nicole King, William Lycett, Stephen Maund, Priya Sareen, Christopher Wayock

Nay: None

Absent: Jeffrey Dimmig, Mary Joy Reinartz

5. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a. [English Language Development \(ELD\) Family Engagement Night Summer Send-off 2022 2023 School Year Proposal.](#)
- b. Emily Gehman provided information regarding the student poll worker program presented by Lehigh County.

6. VISITORS' COMMENTS

- a. Comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker to provide input to the board.
 - i. No visitor comments made at this time.

7. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Adjourn
 - i. William Lycett adjourned the meeting at 8:28 pm.

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