

**SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Budget & Finance Committee  
Intermediate School Staff Development Room  
February 9, 2010 5:30 PM**

**MINUTES**

CALLED TO ORDER 5:30 pm

PRESENT: J. Dimmig (Chair), M. Eddinger, C. Gunkle, W. Miracle, T. Macloughlin, J. Liberati, L. Christman, J. Snell

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: T. Bergey, R. Guerriere, A. Scherzberg, W. Kennedy

PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS –

- (1) Approval of minutes from the November 9, 2010 and December 7, 2010 meetings.
- (2) Mr. Snell updated the Committee on State Basic Education Funding and Federal Edu-Jobs grants. Mr. Snell explained that SLSD had been receiving federal grants under ARRA over the past two years. Governor Corbett's administration had announced that it would be funding a shortage in the state's general education subsidy with federal funds in the form of Edu-Jobs. This would mean that the district could expect to only receive it's subsidy at prior year levels and would not receive "additional" federal funds in the future. Mr. Snell further explained that SLSD's conservative approach to budgeting had anticipated this level of funding and so the changes were already reflected in the budget. The net result is that we will likely receive approximately \$600,000 less of combined federal and state aid in 2011-12.
- (3) Mr. Liberati updated the comprehensive list of potential budget cuts and revenue enhancements for consideration in the 2011-2012 budget.
- (4) The Committee reviewed various documents for the March 12, 2011 Budget Seminar. These documents were approved to be made available to the public and school board members one week prior to the seminar for review.
- (5) The Committee selected two budget options to present to the entire board at the Budget Seminar. One option used the parameters developed by the board in August, and a second option used parameters that would "max out" tax increases without exceptions under Act 1 limits.
- (6) The Committee met in executive session to discuss expected retirements and staffing changes.

VISITORS' COMMENTS – None.

ADJOURNMENT - 7:30 pm