



Southern Lehigh School District Board of School Directors Meeting

November 29, 2016

The second regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh was held at 7:48 p.m. on the above date (November 29, 2016) at Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, PA.

PRESENT: Parsons, Dimmig, McLoughlin, Gehman, Gunkle, Lycett, Merkle,
Sisselberger

ABSENT: Smith

OTHERS: Evison, Melber, Millman, Lewis, Kennedy, Takacs, Jordan, Buchman
Sinkler (SLEA), Diaz (SLEA), Peterson (MCall) and 20 other members
of the community.

OPENING PROCEDURES

Mrs. Parsons 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.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Jeffrey Curry, Carter Group, presented the findings of the Capital Feasibility Study. Carter was selected by the District and Southern Lehigh Education Foundation to conduct a Planning Study to evaluate and assess the feasibility of conducting a capital campaign for the proposed renovations and enhancements in arts and athletic facilities. Based on interviews with 21 community members, Mr. Curry believes a fundraising campaign for facilities improvements would be successful. There was Board discussion, followed by visitors' comments.

VISITORS

Kyle Gangaware, Center Valley resident, spoke regarding the Carter Group presentation.

Jenn Nelson, Coopersburg resident, spoke regarding the Carter Group presentation.

Mary Ann Nord, Coopersburg resident, spoke regarding the Carter Group presentation.

Doug Frederick, Coopersburg resident, spoke regarding the Carter Group presentation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Dimmig and **2ND BY** Gunkle to approve the minutes of November 14, 2016 meeting as distributed to all Board members.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Motion Carried

ABSENT: Smith

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2ND BY** McLoughlin to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** items as follows-

Approve the bills to be paid as of November 29, 2016;

Approve the Treasurer's Report and Investment Report for the month of September, 2016;

Approve the following substitute teachers for the 2016-2017 school year-

James Lapinski Emergency 06 (PK-12)

Cory Thomas Emergency 06 (PK-12)

Approve the following student teacher placement-

Carmelina Stolzenberg, English, Kutztown University, with Marlo Spritzer, Southern Lehigh High School, from January 24, 2017 through May 11, 2017;

Approve the appointment of Nancy Hahn, Long-term Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$18.76, Liberty Bell Elementary School, effective November 14, 2016. Ms. Hahn will fill the position of Laura Gorman who is filling in during the anticipated childrearing leave of Rebecca Segovis;

Approve the adjustment of hours of Josephine Cacace, Instructional Assistant, Southern Lehigh High School, from 5.75 hours per day to 4 hours per day, effective August 23, 2016;

Approve the following substitute staff for the 2016-2017 school year-

Renee Mulhall, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.63

Eleanor (Lee) Satrom, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$16.45

Cory Thomas, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$16.45

Cory Thomas, Substitute Cafeteria Worker, an hourly rate of \$9.93

Cory Thomas, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.63

Cory Thomas, Substitute Secretary, an hourly rate of \$16.07;

Approve the following volunteer coaches for the 2016-2017 school year-

Stanley Swartz Boys Basketball

Stephanie Sam Girls Basketball;

Accept the resignation of the following coaches-

Aliza Wagner, MS Winter Cheerleading Coach, effective November 15, 2016

Joseph Breisch, HS Asst. Track and Field Coach, effective November 11, 2016;

Approve the following coaches for the 2016-2017 school year-

Melvin Derby HS Asst. Wrestling \$3309.60**

Jason Litzenberger HS Asst. Wrestling \$2206.40**

***Shared position and stipend.*

Samantha Schultz HS Head Winter Cheer \$1113**

Aliza Wagner HS Head Winter Cheer \$1113**

***Shared position and stipend.*

Brandon Mazepa Asst. Swimming \$1895.20**

***Shared position and stipend w/Samantha Miara.*

Jennifer Hurlburt Head Girls Lacrosse \$6273;

Approve the following event worker for the 2016-2017 school year-
Joseph Cassidy.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Smith

CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

SUPPORT SERVICES

PERSONNEL

REPORTS

Education

Mrs. Gunkle reported that the committee met prior to this meeting and discussion included the following-

- High School Program of Studies
- Full Day Kindergarten Update

CLIU

Mrs. Parsons shared that the proposed 2017-18 operating budget will go to the Board in January for approval.

Finance

Dr. McLoughlin reported that the Finance Committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, December 5 at 6PM.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Evison shared the following-

- Communications Survey to be shared with parents and community members to determine how they prefer to receive communication. This will be used to update practices and improve communication

- Website needs to be updated due to vendor changes
- Focus continues on Equity and Diversity work
 - Plan to schedule Diversity Advisory Committee in January
 - Community support and response has been extremely positive
- The entire Superintendent's Report is available on the district's website.

OLD BUSINESS

MOVED BY McLoughlin and **2nd BY** Gunkle to approve a second and final reading of the following new policy-

#004 Local Board Procedures: *Membership*

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Smith

NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY Gunkle and **2nd BY** McLoughlin to rescind the following policy-

#018 Local Board Procedures: *Board Attendance at Meetings/Conferences*

***Information in this policy is now covered under Policy #004*

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Smith

COMMUNICATIONS

VISITORS

ADJOURNMENT

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

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Smith

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

ATTEST: *Diana S. Millman*, Board Secretary