

SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
High School Board Room
February 9, 2009
7:30 p.m.
Agenda



I. OPENING PROCEDURES

- A. *Call to Order*
- B. *Recording of attendance by the Secretary*
- C. *Pledge of Allegiance*

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 26, 2009.

III. VISITORS

Business by visitor(s) will be presented for Board consideration as to agenda placement.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are marked with an asterisk throughout the regular agenda and summarized on a separate sheet.

V. CURRICULUM/STUDENTS AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

A. *Student/Staff Activities*

High SchoolMrs. Christine Siegfried
Intermediate School.....Mrs. Mary Farris
Middle School.....Mr. Nathan Davidson
Elementary Schools.....Mr. Samuel Hafner

B. *Student Trip*

The Administration recommends approval of the following school trip:
Southern Lehigh Future Business Leaders of America to attend the State Leadership Conference and Competition in Hershey, Pennsylvania, from March 30, 2009 through April 1, 2009. (V, B)

VI. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

A. *Accounts Payable*

*The Administration recommends approval of the bills to be paid as of February 9, 2009. (VI, A)

B. *Treasurer's Report*

*The Administration recommends approval of the Treasurer's Report for January, 2009. (VI, B)

C. *Investment of Funds*

The Administration recommends approval of the Investment of Funds for the General Budget. (VI, C)

D. *Approval of Municipal Financial Advisory Services Agreements*

The Administration recommends approval of the enclosed agreements with Robert W. Baird & Co. and Concord Public Financial Advisors, Inc. for financial advisory services in connection with the proposed

refinancing which would result in the General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2009. (VI, D)

E. *Approval of Parameters Resolution with General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2009*

The Administration recommends approval of a parameters resolution which would authorize the sale of approximately \$9,230,000 in Series 2003 and G.O. Bonds, Series 2004. The resolution establishes a minimum level of savings that will be acceptable (2.5%) and provides for the terms and conditions of the sale which is expected to be held within the next week. Representatives from the District's bond counsel and financial advisory firms will be present Monday evening to provide an update on the market, review the plans for the financing, and answer questions. (VI, E)

F. *Service Electric Agreement*

The Administration recommends approval of the enclosed telecommunications agreement with Service Electric Cable TV, Inc. to provide network support. (VI, F)

G. *Approval of 2009-2010 Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) Budget*

The Administration recommends approval of the 2009-2010 LCCC Budget, which provides for a total contribution from Southern Lehigh School District in the amount of \$349,665, an increase of \$13,451 over the current year's budget. (VI, G)

VII. SUPPORT SERVICES

A. *Intermediate School Change Order*

The Administration recommends approval of the following formal change orders for Albarell Electric on the Intermediate School project. The Facilities Committee has reviewed and approved these issues at their scheduled meeting. (VII, A)

Change Order E-10: \$2,165.00

"Provide line voltage wiring in lieu of low voltage wiring for Asco gas shut-off system in six science classrooms".

Change Order C-11: \$23,187.00

"Provide HDMI cabling and components at sixty-one classroom locations".

VIII. PERSONNEL

A. *Certificated Staff*

1. *Substitute Teachers*

***The Administration recommends approval of the following substitute teachers for the 2008-2009 school year: (VIII, A-1)**

Heather Gossler, Citizenship 7-12, Consumer Science K-12, Mid Level English 7-9

Christopher Shadle, Citizenship 7-12

2. *Student Teachers*

*The Administration recommends approval of the following student teacher placements: (VIII, A-2)

Amanda Conner, Art, Moravian College with *Stephanie Gregory*, High School from March 16, 2009 through April 24, 2009.

Daniel Todd, Art, Moravian College with *Anne Sikorski-Schneider*, High School from March 16, 2009 through April 24, 2009.

3. *Increment Requests*

*The Administration recommends approval of the following salary step adjustment for the following staff, effective February 1, 2009:

Dale Beltzner, 5th grade Teacher, Lower Milford Elementary School, Bachelor's to Master's Equivalency

Joseph Breisch, Technology Coach, High School, Bachelor's to Bachelor's +15

Melanie DeSanctis, 4th Grade Teacher, Hopewell Elementary, Bachelor's +15 to Bachelor's +30

Robert Fluck, 5th Grade Teacher, Liberty Bell Elementary, Bachelor's to Bachelor's +15

Sara Hovis, 1st Grade Teacher, Hopewell Elementary, Bachelor's +15 to Bachelor's +30

Jessica Kohler, Learning Support Teacher, Lower Milford Elementary, Bachelor's to Bachelor's +15

B. *Noncertificated Staff*

1. *Substitutes*

*The Administration recommends approval of the following substitute support staff for the 2008-2009 school year: (VIII, B-1)

Linda Koziel, Substitute Instructional Assistant, at an hourly rate of \$14.74.

Betty Jo Harris, Substitute Health Paraprofessional, at an hourly rate of \$12.63.

David Miller, Substitute Health Paraprofessional, at an hourly rate of \$12.63.

Cathleen Ragsdale, Substitute Custodian, at an hourly rate of \$12.15.

Lisa Schroy, Substitute Cafeteria Worker, at an hourly rate of \$7.79.

Mary Weiss, Substitute Cafeteria Worker, at an hourly rate of \$7.79.

2. *Resignation*

*The Administration recommends accepting the resignation of the following staff:

Manal Haddad, Instructional Assistant, Hopewell Elementary School, effective February 3, 2009.

3. *Unpaid Leave*

*The Administration recommends approval of the unpaid leave of the following staff:

Lisa Annunziato, Part-time Cafeteria Worker, Middle School, on May 13, 2009.

C. *Extra-Compensatory Positions*

1. *2008-2009 Mentor*

*The Administration recommends approval of the following mentor at a stipend not to exceed \$700 for the 2008-2009 school year:

Karen Fairclough as a mentor for *Jennifer Cudzill*

2. *Resignation*

*The Administration recommends accepting the resignation of the following coaches:

Juan Garcia, Head Wrestling Coach, effective January 29, 2009.

Michael Hunsberger, Assistant Wrestling Coach, effective January 29, 2009.

3. *Wrestling Coach*

*The Administration recommends approval of the following coach effective January 30, 2009 through February 28, 2009: (VIII, C-3)

Douglas Roncolato Head Wrestling Coach \$7,452 (prorated)

4. *2008-2009 Coaches*

*The Administration recommends approval of the following coaches for the 2008-2009 school year: (VIII, C-4)

Eric Stemple Assistant Boys' Lacrosse* \$1,414

Shaughn Bittner Assistant Boys' Lacrosse* \$1,414

**Shared Position*

5. *2008-2009 Volunteer Coaches*

*The Administration recommends approval of the following volunteer coaches for the 2008-2009 school year: (VIII, C-5)

Jill Scheetz Assistant Girls' Lacrosse

Ian Beitler Assistant Wrestling

Matthew Swartz Boys' Basketball

IX. REPORTS

A. Committee Reports

B. Superintendent's Report... Mr. Liberati

C. Facilities Report... Mr. Liberati

D. Strategic Plan Report... Mrs. Christman

The Strategic Plan Report is included in the Board materials. (IX, D)

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Second and Final Reading of Policies

The Administration recommends a second and final reading of the following policy: (XI, A)

#815.1 Web Site Development

XII. COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Board are included in the Board materials as they are received in the district.

XIII. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

A. Conference Request

The requests for professional conferences are listed in the Board materials by name, conference, location, dates of absence, and cost. (XIII, A)

B. Curriculum Writing

The curriculum writing agreements are listed in the Board materials by name, elected compensation, amount and anticipated date of completion. (XIII, B)

XIV. VISITORS' COMMENTS

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XVI. OPEN SESSION

XVII. ADJOURNMENT