



Southern Lehigh School District

Board of School Directors Meeting

February 23, 2008

The Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh held their Annual Board Seminar beginning 8:17 a.m. on the above date (February 23, 2008) in the Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, PA.

PRESENT: Bromwell, Auteri, Dimmig, Gunkle, Miracle, Rennie, Schubert

ABSENT: Quigley, Stelts

OTHERS: Liberati, Snell, Guerriere, Bartholomew, Kennedy, Churm, Keister, Christman, Bergey, Siegfried, Zuk, Donahue, Limpar, Farris, Lewis, Harakal, and no other members of the community.

OPENING PROCEDURES

Ms. Bromwell led the Board and others attending the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

BOARD SEMINAR TOPIC

Mr. Liberati talked about technology in his opening remarks, and stated that every school building now has wireless connection to the internet, and the District's *Classrooms For The Future* (CFF) grant was approved. We received about \$300,000 so far from the grant but do not know how much the District will receive next year. He said the District has invested approximately \$1,000,000 in infrastructure and hardware.

Mrs. Christman presented a PowerPoint District *Technology Update* that included the following topics:

- Web Site – She presented statistics on website usage, My Teacher Pages and Live Sites-Teacher Pages. Currently 89 teachers have had their site go live. She can assign anyone, including students, access to any part of the website tool (back-end part). The system will allow Mrs. Christman the capability to monitor and track all website usage, postings and changes to the website.
- Student Achievement Data – Explained how EdInsight Data Window will work with PowerSchool as a data warehouse for PSSA scores, 4Sight, DIBELS, and report card grades. PVAAS (PA Value Added Assessment System) will allow individual student tracking over time once the site is populated with more years of data. Right now, it has 2 years of data.
- Professional Development – Success of CFF at the High School will be measured through data collection by Penn State University. Pre-survey and post-survey for all teachers and 1 class of students per teacher will be available. CFF grant requires all teachers at the high school to have 30 hours of training. The District has completely revamped professional development at the High School to allow 25 hours of the 30 hours as paid time. The teachers will also do 5 hours of integration of technology within their classroom.
- In-Service & Academy Topics – Included tools, topics and programs for in-service and academy professional development such as: Web Tools, iLife, Meet Mac, EdInsight Data Window, First in Math, Achieve 3000, Study Island, District Tech Updates, Outlook, Power Grade, iMovie, and BlackBoard.
- Professional Development Data – Data from the following will be used for Education Tech Plan – Strategic Planning process: PATI survey-required each year by PDE (PA Technology Inventory), TTP-Teacher Technology Survey (survey completed by all teachers in spring 2007), and Net Day-Speak Up 2007 (student, parents and teacher data).
- Elementary, Middle School and High School Showcases – Mrs. Christman showcased student/teacher technology usage throughout the District. Topics included: podcasting, smart board use, black board, tech wizards, library WIKI, teen second life pilot, DeSales presentation, iMovie, and CPS with white board.

Mr. Liberati, Mrs. Siegfried and Mr. Zuk escorted the Board to a High School Social Studies classroom to observe the use of technology in a typical “smart classroom”.

The Board took a brief recess at 10:30 a.m.

The Board met in executive session at 10:35 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 11:47 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of
2/11/08 **MOVED BY** Miracle and **2ND BY** Auteri to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2008 meeting as copied and distributed to all Board members.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley, Stelts

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY Miracle and **2ND BY** Rennie to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** items as follows:

Approval of Bills Approve the bills list dated February 23, 2008 showing paid bills in the amount of \$27,439.87 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$845,288.44 for a total of \$872,728.31 for the General Fund, and bills to be paid in the amount of \$632,188.72 for the Construction Fund;

Approve unpaid leave-Keller, Michael, Price Approve unpaid leave of the following staff -
Brenda Keller, Computer Lab Aide, Hopewell Elementary School, on Thursday, May 22 and Friday, May 23, 2008.
Lori Michael, Part-time Cafeteria Worker, High School, on Friday, April 18, 2008 and Monday, June 2, 2008.
Diane Price, Part-time Cafeteria Worker, High School, Friday, March 28, 2008 and Friday, April 25, 2008;

Approve substitutes for the 2007-2008 school year-Kalogris Approve the following substitutes for the 2007-2008 school year -
Christine Kalogris, Substitute Instructional Assistant, at an hourly rate of \$14.18.
Christine Kalogris, Substitute Health Paraprofessional, at an hourly rate of \$12.16;

Accept resignation of H. Walker as volunteer co-advisor of the Diversity Club, HS Accept the resignation of Holly Walker as volunteer co-advisor of the Diversity Club, High School, effective February 5, 2008.
VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley, Stelts

CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

Approve Independent Study Proposal-Wheatley (Methods & Materials) **MOVED BY** Miracle and **2ND BY** Auteri to approve the following Independent Study Proposal -
Kaitlyn Wheatley, Methods & Materials

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley, Stelts

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY Rennie and **2ND BY** Auteri to adjourn the meeting.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried
ABSENT: Quigley, Stelts

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

ATTEST: _____ Board Secretary