



Southern Lehigh School District

Board of School Directors Meeting

November 24, 2014

The second regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh was held at 7:30 p.m. on the above date (November 24, 2014) at Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, PA.

PRESENT: Gunkle, Lycett, McLoughlin, Dimmig, Hayes, Lindsay, Parsons
ABSENT: Merkle, Quigley
OTHERS: Christman, Melber, Millman, Lewis, Kennedy, Buchman, Bergey, Siegfried, Guarriello, Takacs, Sinkler (SLEA), Miller (MCall) and 7 other members of the community.

OPENING PROCEDURES

Mrs. Gunkle 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.

The High School Meistersingers under the direction of Mr. Matthew Wehr performed three songs from their upcoming winter concerts.

VISITORS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY McLoughlin and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2014 meeting as distributed to all Board members.

VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried

ABSENT: Merkle, Quigley

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY Parsons and **2ND BY** McLoughlin to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** items as follows –

Approve the bills list dated November 25, 2014 showing paid bills in the amount of \$23,776.03 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$324,061.09 for a total amount of \$347,837.12 for the General Fund; and bills to be paid in the amount of \$36.56 for the Capital Reserve Sinking Fund; and bills to be paid in the amount of \$26,750.00 for the Construction Fund;

Approve the Treasurer's Report and Investment Report for the month of October, 2014;

Approve the following substitute teachers for the 2014-2015 school year-

Cassandra Rauch, Social Studies

Katie Miller, Social Studies 7-12;

Approve the Intermittent FMLA leave of the following staff-

Nicole Ott, Language Arts Teacher, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, beginning November 24, 2014 through June 15, 2015;

Approve the following substitute staff for the 2014-2015 school year-

Cassandra Rauch, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Katie Miller, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Diana Inglis, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Connie Mantz, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Dianne Trevis, Substitute Cafeteria Worker, an hourly rate of \$9.42

Marc Hoover, Substitute Custodian, an hourly rate of \$14.70

Edward Spadt, Substitute Custodian, an hourly rate of \$14.70;

Approve unpaid leave of the following staff-

Melissa Thoet, Instructional Assistant, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, December 19, 22, 23, 2014,

Juan De Los Santos, Custodian, Liberty Bell Elementary School, January 14 through 16, 2015;

Approve the following coach for the 2014-2015 school year-

Christopher Labatch Jr. High Wrestling \$4921;

Accept the resignation of the following coaches, effective November 11, 2014-

Donald West, Jr. Head Volleyball

Lindsay McDonnell Assistant Volleyball;

Approve the appointment of Thomas Seidenberger, Jr., Assistant to the Coordinator of Athletics, a stipend of \$3333.33, for the winter season of the 2014-2015 school year;

Approve the following athletic event workers for the 2014-2015 school year-

Russell Tucker

Kari Bennett.

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

CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Christine Siegfried, Southern Lehigh High School Principal, provided a video presentation featuring high school curriculum.

MOVED BY McLoughlin and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve the **Clarity Service Group Agreement** for Behavior Consultation Services effective September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015.

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

MOVED BY Parsons and **2ND BY** McLoughlin to approve the final **District Comprehensive Plan for 2015-2018**. The preliminary plan was approved at the October 27, 2014 board meeting and on the website for review/comment for 28 days prior to final approval. The plan is due to the Pennsylvania Department of Education by November 30, 2014.

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

MOVED BY Parsons and **2ND BY** McLoughlin to approve the **waiver agreement** for student #111401.

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

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

SUPPORT SERVICES

PERSONNEL

REPORTS

Finance Committee

Mr. Dimmig reported the committee met on November 17, 2014 and discussed the following-

- Preliminary discussion of the 2015-2016 budget
- The resolution with regard to Act 1 would be included on the next Board agenda.

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Mrs. Parsons reported that the budget was discussed and no changes expected for 2015-2106.

Turf Committee

Mr. Lycett reported that the committee is working on a plan and a full report is anticipated for a future Board meeting.

Facilities Committee

Mrs. Gunkle reported the committee met on November 19, 2014 and discussed the following-

- Facilities Use Policy-recommended changes will be brought to the Board for approval

Education Committee

Mr. Hayes reported the committee met prior to this meeting and discussed the following-

- Manufacturing Field Trips
- HS Program of Studies Changes for 2015-2016

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Christman reported the following-

- Congratulations to Mrs. Patricia Schultheis, the 2014 winner of the Howard L. Klopp Exemplary Teacher Award, presented each year by the Education Department at Cedar Crest College.
- Mr. Eddy Tang, a representative of the Hebei Provincial Education Department in China visited Southern Lehigh this past week.
- Launch of the new *Successory Program* to recognize staff members who are 'going above and beyond' to help students be successful was featured in the *Laconian*.
- The entire Superintendent's Report is available on the district's website.

OLD BUSINESS

MOVED BY McLoughlin and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve a second and final reading of the following revised policy-

#108 Programs: *Adoption of Textbooks and Instructional Resource Materials*

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

NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY McLoughlin and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve a first reading of the following revised policies-

#000 Local Board Procedures: Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations

#100 Programs: Comprehensive Planning

#112 Programs: Guidance Counseling

#140 Programs: Charter Schools

#235.1 Pupils: Student Rights and Surveys by Outside Organizations

#240 Pupils: Student Participation in Contests

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

MOVED BY Parsons and **2ND BY** Lycett to approve the rate of pay for **Substitute Teachers** at \$120.00 per day for the first 60 days, as assigned within a school, effective November 17, 2014.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

VISITORS

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

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST: Diana S. Millman Board Secretary

PENDING APPROVAL