



## **Southern Lehigh School District**

### **Board of School Directors Meeting**

**January 9, 2017**

The first regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh was held at 7:43 p.m. on the above date (January 9, 2017) at Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, PA.

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

**ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS:** Evison, Melber, Millman, Lewis, Montanye, (SSKW), Kennedy, Buchman, Takacs, Donahue, Jordan, Bergey, Sinkler (SLEA), Diaz (SLEA), and approximately 16 other members of the community.

#### **OPENING PROCEDURES**

Mr. Dimmig 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.

#### **Apple Distinguished Program Recognition**

Mr. Tim McHugh, Apple representative attended to present a banner and plaque to the district for being named an Apple Distinguished Program for 2016-2018. Mr. Ken Jordan, Director of Technology, Data and Assessment accepted the award and thanked several teachers in attendance, including Ms. Anderson, Mrs. Robbins, Mr. Beisch, Mrs. Smillie, Mrs. Halloran, Mr. Pauling, Ms. Gonzalez and Mrs. Walter for their contributions in demonstrating Apple's vision of exemplary learning environments.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOVED BY** Gunkle and **2<sup>ND</sup> BY** Gehman to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2016 meeting as distributed to all Board members.

**VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried**  
**ABSENT: None**

#### **VISITORS**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOVED BY** Gunkle and **2<sup>ND</sup> BY** Gehman to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** items as follows -

Approve the bills list dated January 9, 2017 showing paid bills in the amount of \$668,430.89 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$396,423.63 for a total amount of \$1,064,856.52 for the General Fund and bills paid in the amount of \$1,274.00 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$520.20 for a total amount of \$1,794.20 for the Construction Fund;

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

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

Gregory Bennett Emergency 06 (K-12)

Maureen Gallagher Elem K-6

Danielle Monroe English 7-12

Megan Smolinski Social Studies 7-12

Jordan Stenroos Social Studies 7-12;

Approve the following student teacher placements-

Melissa Walko, Art, Moravian College, with *Marilyn Hower*, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, from January 17, 2017 through March 3, 2017.

Ivette Thompson, Pennsylvania State (Lehigh Valley) University, with *Melissa Greenawald*, Tuesdays and Wednesdays February 7 through April 19, 2017 (pre-service internship) and August 29, 2017 through December 8, 2017 (student teaching).

Accept the resignation of the following staff-

Lindsey Horvath, Instructional Assistant, Southern Lehigh High School, effective January 6, 2017,

Rosemarie Keller, Accounts Payable Clerk, Administration Building, effective January 4, 2017,

Approve unpaid leave of the following staff-

Lisa Allison, Instructional Assistant, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, March 6 through 10, 2017,

Ellen Beidelman, Instructional Assistant, Liberty Bell Elementary School, January 19 and 20, 2017,

Barbara Elsner, Instructional Assistant, Hopewell Elementary School, January 6 and 9, 2017;

Approve the appointment of the following non-certificated staff-

Danielle Monroe, Instructional Assistant (5.75 hours per day), an hourly rate of \$18.76, Southern Lehigh High School, effective January 10, 2017. Ms. Monroe will fill the position due to the resignation of *Lindsey Horvath*,

Tracie Raven, Accounts Payable Clerk, Administration Building, an annual salary (prorated) of \$34,500, effective January 10, 2017. Ms. Raven will fill the position due to the resignation of *Rosemarie Keller*,

Henry Lemmons, Cafeteria Monitor, Hopewell Elementary School, an hourly rate of \$10.63, effective January 10, 2017;

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

Lauren Demosthene, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.63

Terra Pleasant, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.63

Karen Psaila, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.63

Roxann Fadeley, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$16.45

Roxann Fadeley, Substitute Secretary, an hourly rate of \$16.07

Trisha Hawk, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$16.45

Megan Smolinski, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$16.45

Shauna Werling, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$16.45;

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

Tara Walter, Mentor for *Yu Che*, Chinese Language Teacher, effective December 7, 2016. Ms. Walter was previously approved as mentor for *Na Ni* who is no longer in the position.

Accept the resignation of the following Subject Area Leaders, effective the end of the first semester 2016-2017-

David Kohler, Elementary Science

Danielle Pompella, Elementary Math;

Approve the following Subject Area Leaders, effective the second semester 2016-2017-

Malinda Watkins, Elementary Science, a stipend of \$794.75 with position and stipend shared with *Nicholas Weaver* (previously approved June 13, 2016).

Brooke Ruch, Elementary Math, a stipend of \$918.25 with position and stipend shared with *Karen Ryan* (previously approved June 13, 2016).

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

Spencer Cameron                      Baseball

Robert Mirth                              Baseball

Amy Bausher                              Softball

Melanie Smith                              Swimming

Accept the resignation of Linda Koziel, Event worker, effective May 11, 2016;

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

<u>Casey Cooperman</u>	Asst. Baseball	\$1184.50**
<u>Terry Johnson</u>	Asst. Baseball	\$3553.50**
<i>**Shared position and stipend.</i>		
<u>Ty Souders</u>	Head Boys Lacrosse	\$6273
<u>Devon Hagy</u>	Asst. Softball	\$4738
<u>Steven Schrader</u>	Asst. Track & Field	\$4738
<u>Todd Miller</u>	Head Baseball	\$7894
<u>Matthew Greenawald</u>	Asst. Baseball	\$4738.

**VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried**  
**ABSENT: None**

### **CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES**

**MOVED BY** Gunkle and **2<sup>ND</sup> BY** Gehman to approve the following student trip requests:

1. *Southern Lehigh High School Cheerleading Team* to participate in the PIAA States Competition, Hershey, PA, January 20 and 21, 2017.
2. *Southern Lehigh High School Boys and Girls Swim Team* to participate in the All-American Invitational, Wilkes-Barre, PA, January 13 and 14, 2017.
3. *Southern Lehigh Speech and Debate Team* to participate in the Falcon Invitational Tournament, Fairless Hills, PA February 3 and 4, 2017.

**VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried**  
**ABSENT: None**

**MOVED BY** Gunkle and **2<sup>ND</sup> BY** Gehman to approve the agreement with Lehigh University Sports and Events Venue, 124 Goodman Drive, Bethlehem, PA to hold graduation on June 9, 2017 at Stabler Arena, Bethlehem, PA.

**VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried**  
**ABSENT: None**

**MOVED BY** Gunkle and **2<sup>ND</sup> BY** Gehman to approve homebound instruction for student #10117 and #10217.

**VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried**  
**ABSENT: None**

### **BUSINESS AND FINANCE**

**MOVED BY** Gunkle and **2<sup>ND</sup> BY** Gehman to approve the enclosed resolution to limit any real estate tax increase for 2017-2018 to the Act 1 index and to comply with Section 687 of the Public School Code as it pertains to budget adoption for 2017-2018.

**VOICE VOTE: "YES" – Unanimous – Motion Carried**  
**ABSENT: None**

**SUPPORT SERVICES**

**PERSONNEL**

**REPORTS**

Policy Committee

Mrs. Gunkle reported that the committee met prior to this meeting and discussed the several policies.

LCTI

Dr. Smith reported that the 2017-18 budget was discussed.

CLIU

Mrs. Parsons reported that the 2017-18 was discussed.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Evison reported the following-

- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Forum
  - The Diversity, Equity and Inclusion panel meeting has been postponed until January 17, 2017 due to the possibility of inclement weather on January 9, 2017.
- Comprehensive Plan
  - The District just received word that the state has postponed the due date for Phase 3 schools to submit the comprehensive plan until November of 2018, which is a one-year extension. The district planning team had already begun work on this process, and will be reconvening to discuss next steps given the latest news from PDE.
- Food Services
  - The food service department was audited in December. Congratulations to Greg Martin and the entire food service staff for an excellent audit report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**VISITORS**

**MOVED** by Gunkle and 2<sup>nd</sup> **BY** Smith to adjourn the meeting.

**VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried**  
**ABSENT: None**

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

**ATTEST:** *Diana S. Millman*, Board Secretary

PENDING