



Southern Lehigh School District

Board of School Directors Meeting

November 10, 2014

The first regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the School District of Southern Lehigh was held at 7:40 p.m. on the above date (November 10, 2014) at Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, PA.

PRESENT: Gunkle, Lycett, McLoughlin, Dimmig, Hayes, Merkle, Parsons, Quigley
ABSENT: Lindsay
OTHERS: Christman, Melber, Millman, Lewis, Kennedy, Buchman, Bergey, Hafner, Takacs, Jordan, Sinkler (SLEA), 10 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.

VISITORS

Matthew Thompson, 10th grade student attending Moravian Academy addressed the Board with a request to participate in the Southern Lehigh High School Robotics Team, since he was a former student at the high school.

Jennifer Thompson, (parent of Matthew Thompson) requested an exemption to Board policy that prohibits her son from participating as a member of the Southern Lehigh High School Robotics Team.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Quigley and **2ND BY** Merkle to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2014 meeting as distributed to all Board members.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY Quigley and **2ND BY** Dimmig to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA** items as follows –

Approve Homebound Instruction for student #101403;

Approve the bills list dated October 13, 2014 showing paid bills in the amount of \$14,742.44 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$631,520.20 for a total amount of \$646,262.64 for the General Fund; and bills to be paid in the amount of \$6,937.00 for the Capital Reserve Sinking Fund; and paid bills in the amount of \$18,138.50 and bills to be paid in the amount of \$88,872.76 for the Construction Fund;

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

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

Lorie Spohn, Elementary K-6; Art K-12

Katherine Mills, Elementary K-6; English 7-9

Elena King, Elementary K-6

Elaine Kloss, Elementary K-6

Cynthia Smigo, Elementary K-6

Krista Metter, English 7-12

Diane D'Agostino, Health & Physical K-12

Sarah Yorgey, Elementary K-6;

Approve first period of childrearing leave of Nicole Weaver, Grade 5 Teacher, Joseph P. Liberati Intermediate School, effective November 3, 2014 through the end of the 2014-2015 school year;

Approve unpaid leave of Cynthia Sterrett, K-3 Gifted Teacher, for April 15, 2015;

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

Jessica Makowski, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Jessica Makowski, Substitute Secretary, an hourly rate of \$15.26

Jessica Makowski, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.10

Gail Keller, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.10

Gail Keller, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Barbara Kohler, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Rosemarie Martin, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Rosemarie Martin, Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, an hourly rate of \$10.10

Katherine Mills, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Kelly Curto, Substitute Personal Care Assistant, an hourly rate of \$20.40

Kelly Curto, Substitute Licensed Health Room Nurse, an hourly rate of \$20.40

Elena King, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Cynthia Smigo, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Elaine Kloss, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Krista Metter, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Gregory Padamonsky, Substitute Custodian, an hourly rate of \$14.70

Sarah Yorgey, Substitute Instructional Assistant, an hourly rate of \$15.62

Approve the following staff, effective November 11, 2014-

Alice Palmieri, Instructional Assistant (3 hour) RTII, an hourly rate of \$17.81

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

Lorie Khalil MS Girls Basketball \$4026

Stephen Siderias Jr. High Asst. Wrestling \$4026

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

Jason Bodgen

Tricia Anderson

Approve the following extra-curricular advisors for the 2014-2015 school year, at the intramural rate of \$52.89 per session-

Blaze Meyers Builders Club

Alison Bauer Builders Club

Heather Toto Yearbook

Approve the following extra-curricular advisor for the 2014-2015 school year, at the homebound rate of \$42.28 per hour-

Ronnette Mays Math Counts Advisor

Approve the following extra-curricular advisors for the 2014-2015 school year, at the stipends listed-

Kimberly Halloran Student Senate Advisor \$1469

Erin Jividen Musical \$ 900

Michael Pauling AV and Stage \$1692

Jennifer Kindt Junior Honor Society \$ 582**

Kate Flannery Junior Honor Society \$ 582**

***This is a 50/50 split stipend and position.*

Nancy Beitler MS Band \$3611

Nancy Beitler MS Orchestra \$1385

Tina Lebrecht MS Choral \$2215

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

CURRICULUM/STUDENT AND STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mr. Samuel Hafner, Liberty Bell Elementary School Principal, provided presentation on a "Day in the Life at Liberty Bell".

MOVED BY Quigley and **2ND BY** Merkle to approve the following student trip request-

Southern Lehigh High School Speech and Debate Team to participate in the Princeton Classic Invitational Tournament, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, on December 5 through 7, 2014.

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

MOVED BY Quigley and **2ND BY** McLoughlin to approve the request of Thomas Ruhf, Gifted Support Teacher, Southern Lehigh High School, to conduct a research study as part of a master's thesis requirement at Moravian College.

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

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

SUPPORT SERVICES

PERSONNEL

MOVED BY Quigley and **2ND BY** Parsons to approve approval of the following certificated staff, with an effective date to be determined (*pending receipt of required documentation*)-

Mary Prudente, Special Education Teacher, Southern Lehigh High School, at Masters, Step 9, an annual salary of \$59,775. Ms. Prudente will fill the position due to the transfer of *David Dougherty*.

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

REPORTS

Finance Committee

Mr. Dimmig reported the committee will meet on Monday, November 17, 2014 at 4PM in the Administration Building Conference room.

LCTI Report

Mr. Hayes reported that budget development and the audit report was discussed at a recent LCTI meeting.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Christman reported the following-

- Fall sports teams acknowledged for their accomplishments.
- Lehigh Valley Superintendents toured manufacturing plants to learn more about potential career opportunities for students.
- The Technology program at Southern Lehigh School District has been selected as an Apple Distinguished Program for 2014-2016

- The entire Superintendent's Report is available on the district's website.

OLD BUSINESS

MOVED BY Quigley and **2ND BY** Lycett to approve a second and final reading of the following revised policies-

- #108 Programs: *Adoption of Textbooks and Instructional Resource Materials*
- #119 Programs: *Current Events*
- #707 Property: *Use of School Facilities*

Prior to the final vote, Mr. Dimmig requested clarification on Policy #108; therefore, Policy #108 was tabled at this time.

The motion was amended to table Policy #108 Programs: Adoption of Textbooks and Instructional Resource Materials.

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

NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY Lycett and **2ND BY** McLoughlin to approve the 2014-2015 Teachers' Salary Schedule and accompanying Rate/Stipend Sheet, pursuant to Appendices A and B of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Southern Lehigh Education Association.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

VISITORS

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

VOICE VOTE: "YES" - Unanimous - Motion Carried
ABSENT: Lindsay

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

ATTEST: Diana S. Millman Board Secretary