

SELINGROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF MEETING – JANUARY 5, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Selingsrove Area School District’s Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, January 5, 2009, at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Selingsrove Area Middle School, 401 North Eighteenth Street, Selingsrove, PA 17870.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by the President, Mr. Eric L. Rowe.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all of those in attendance.

A roll call indicated a quorum with the following members present: Mr. Larry D. Augustine, Mr. David E. Hostetter, Mr. Robert M. Klingler, Jr., Mrs. Cynthia J. O’Hora, Mr. William D. Robinson, Mr. Eric L. Rowe, Mr. Paul F. Spiegel, Jr., Mr. William C. Wenrich, Mr. Jeffrey P. Whitman, and non-voting member, Dr. Frederick C. Johnson, Superintendent.

Others present were as follows:

Mr. Troy Beaver – Maintenance Supervisor
Mr. John Bohle – Middle School Principal
Mr. Chad Cohrs – Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Mr. Matt Conrad – Middle School Assistant Principal
Mr. Terry Heintzleman – Intermediate School Principal
Mrs. Lorinda Krause – Elementary Schools Principal
Mr. Charles Longwell – High School Assistant Principal
Mr. Reed Messmore – High School Principal
Mr. Kevin Oswald – Director of Food Services
Mrs. Cynthia Vennie – Director of Special Education
Mr. Thomas Clark, Esquire - School Board Solicitor
Mrs. Lenora Springfield – Recording Secretary
Mr. Chuck Knauff - Reynolds Construction
Mr. Bill Burd
Mr. Andrew Burd
Mr. Kody Hummel
Mr. Aron Hummel
Mr. Wayne Hummel

It was moved by Mr. Spiegel and seconded by Mr. Hostetter to approve the General Fund Bills List dated 12/29/08; the Elementary School Construction Fund Bills List dated 12/29/08; the High School Construction Fund Bills List dated 12/29/08. (copies to be included and made a part of the official minutes)

Roll call vote:

Mr. Augustine - Aye
Mr. Hostetter - Aye
Mr. Klingler - Aye
Mrs. O'Hora – Aye
Mr. Robinson – Aye

Mr. Rowe - Aye
Mr. Spiegel - Aye
Mr. Wenrich - Aye
Mr. Whitman - Aye

Motion carried: 9 Aye - 0 No - 0 Absent

Mr. Rowe announced that the next Regular Monthly Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 7:30 p.m., in Room A-103 at the Middle School, and an executive session, regarding litigation and negotiations, will be held after adjournment tonight.

Mr. Knauff, Reynolds Construction, reviewed Progress Report #6, dated December 2008, for the Elementary School project. He reported that at 27 weeks into the project with 51 weeks left the project is 42% complete. 15 change orders have been approved to date resulting in the amount of \$15, 271.42. Mr. Knauff reviewed the High School Progress Report #6 indicating the project is in 27 weeks with 41 weeks left to go and at 24% completion. There have been six change orders which have resulted in a net credit of \$22,246.18. Complete details are included in the reports (copies to be included and made a part of the official board minutes).

Mrs. Krause reported that they are already preparing packets for kindergarten registration which they will distribute in the next two to three weeks. She said that enrollment projections are down for next year.

Mr. Heintzelman reported on the Tree Fest, Fast ForWord, Red Ribbon penny drive and various other building activities.

Mr. Bohle thanked Mr. Geipel for the 2 day training for Power School scheduling at the Middle School.

Mr. Messmore announced the winter play to be held January 15-17 and the Open House for 8th grade parents to be held January 6.

Mr. Hostetter, Budget and Finance Committee Chair, expressed the need to schedule a meeting the week of January 12.

Mr. Whitman, Policy and Education Committee Chair, announced a meeting to be held before the board meeting on Tuesday, January 20.

Mr. Robinson, SUN Area Career and Technology Joint Operating Committee Representative, said that a draft of the new budget, reflecting a 3.69% increase, has been completed and copies will be mailed to districts for board member review. There was discussion of the net cost per Selinsgrove student of \$15,000 and Mr. Robinson announced that after 37 years, Mr. Bohn has announced his retirement. He also noted that the business manager, who was hired the same year as Mr. Bohn will also retire after 37 years. A possible search for candidates could occur the end of April.

It was moved by Mr. Augustine and seconded by Mr. Klingler to approve the following personnel matters:

Resignations – Joyce Hendricks, Play Stagecraft/Play, effective 11/24/08; and Jennifer Hilkert, support staff, SAIS kitchen, effective 12/23/08

Elections – Lori A. Morris, as predictable Long-Term Substitute, K-1 Title I Reading Specialist, effective approximately January 12, 2009 through April 27, 2009, during the child rearing leave of Melissa Garinger; Mike Stebila, Girls Cross Country Coach, effective immediately; Ellen Miller, Alternative Education Teacher; Travis Martin, Play Stagecraft/Play and Spring Class Play/Stagecraft; Valerie Caldwell, Assistant Musical Director; Lynn Clark, Support Staff, SAIS Kitchen, effective 1/5/09 at the rate of \$8.36 per hour; and Julie McDermott, HS FBLA, Volunteer, without salary, benefits, or expectation of any other compensation

Substitutes – Kelly Kemberling, Dana Bealer and Amanda Shaffer, Teachers; Eunice Troxell, Classroom/Student Aide; and Jill Raymond, Health Room Technician

Letters of Intent to Retire - Roger Reichenbach, HS Agriculture Teacher; Joyce S. Hudak, 6th Grade Team A Social Studies Teacher; Lynn A. Hudak, 3rd Grade Learning Support Teacher, SAIS, and Jack R. Wolfe, Learning Support Teacher, SAMS, all effective at the end of the 2008-2009 school year.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Hostetter – Aye
Mr. Klingler – Aye
Mrs. O’Hora - Aye
Mr. Robinson - Aye
Mr. Rowe – Aye

Mr. Spiegel - Aye
Mr. Wenrich - Aye
Mr. Whitman - Aye
Mr. Augustine - Aye

Motion carried: 9 Aye - 0 No - 0 Absent

It was moved by Mr. Hostetter and seconded by Mr. Spiegel to approve the recommendation of the Business Manager to establish a money market account at FNB Bank (a division of Fulton Financial Corporation) effective 12/16/08 for investment purposes.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Klingler – Aye
Mrs. O’Hora – Aye
Mr. Robinson - Aye
Mr. Rowe – Aye
Mr. Spiegel – Aye

Mr. Wenrich - Aye
Mr. Whitman - Aye
Mr. Augustine - Aye
Mr. Hostetter - Aye

Motion carried: 9 Aye - 0 No - 0 Absent

Dr. Johnson mentioned the death, over the holidays, of the spouse of one of the district’s employees at the Intermediate School.

Mr. Rowe reminded the members of the executive session.

With no further business before the Board, Mr. Rowe adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: _____
Lenora R. Springfield
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Larry D. Augustine
School Board Secretary