

SELINGROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF MEETING – JANUARY 20, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Selingsrove Area School District's Board of Directors was held on Tuesday evening, January 20, 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 7:33 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. David E. Hostetter, Mr. Robert M. Klingler, Jr., Mrs. Cynthia J. O'Hora, Mr. William D. Robinson, Mr. Eric L. Rowe, Mr. William C. Wenrich, Mr. Jeffrey P. Whitman, and non-voting member, Dr. Frederick C. Johnson, Superintendent. Mr. Larry D. Augustine and Mr. Paul F. Spiegel, Jr., members, were absent.

Others present were as follows:

Mr. John Bohle – Middle School Principal
Mr. Chad Cohrs – Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Mr. Matt Conrad – Middle School Assistant Principal
Mr. Peter Geipel – Technology Coordinator
Mr. Terry Heintzelman – Intermediate School Principal
Mr. Jeffrey Hummel - Business Manager
Mrs. Lorinda Krause – Elementary Principal
Mr. Charles Longwell – High School Assistant Principal
Mr. Reed Messmore – High School Principal
Mr. Kevin Oswald – Director of Food and Nutrition
Mrs. Cynthia Vennie – Director of Special Education
Mr. Thomas Clark, Esquire - School Board Solicitor
Mrs. Lenora Springfield – Recording Secretary
Mr. Glen M. Zaworski

It was moved by Mr. Hostetter and seconded by Mr. Wenrich to approve the minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held on November 3, 2008; the minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held on November 17, 2008; the minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held on December 3, 2008; the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting held on December 3, 2008; the Revenue and Expenditure Report dated December 5, 2008; the Revenue and Expenditure Report dated January 9, 2009; the Treasurer's Report dated December 31, 2008; the Food and Nutrition Bills List dated January 14, 2009; the Activities Account Report dated December 31, 2008; the Athletic Fund Report dated 10/1/08 – 12/31/08. (all copies of the reports and bills lists to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

Roll call vote:

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

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

Motion carried: 7 Aye - 0 No - 2 Absent

Mr. Rowe announced that the next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, February 2, 2009, at 7:30 p.m., in Room A-103 at the Middle School, and an executive session regarding negotiations will be held following tonight's meeting.

Dr. Johnson informed members that the special education audit began today and the exit meeting is tomorrow at 3:30 in the district office conference room if they wish to attend. Dr. Johnson will be out of the district on Wednesday and Thursday for PIL training. Jordan Blake, former student, led the Naval Academy contingent in the Inaugural parade. PDE sent an email which shows the projected enrollment for next year and he will forward the email to everyone.

Dr. Johnson presented a brief video on the PA Value Added Assessment System (PVAAS). This presentation, provided by the PSBA, reminded everyone that the goal of Pennsylvania is to bring all students at proficient levels. In a standards based system arena we rely on systems that ensure that administrators and staff have skills and time to review data collected through assessment. Value added data is a critical component of data analysis that allows the power of Achievement versus Progress. Achievement is how well a student performs, while Progress is the growth made by the student. Dr. Johnson explained that the PVAAS system provides individual tracking performance, while PSSA tracks students as a whole.

Mrs. Krause reported that the Penn State Extension is assisting in the distribution of Kindergarten registration packets by delivering them to day care facilities.

Mr. Bohle said that 4Sight testing is underway, and bullying presentations continue to be done with the individual teams.

Mr. Messmore said that scheduling is in progress and he feels it is going well.

Mr. Cohrs announced that Selinsgrove Elementary, Jackson Penn and the Middle School achieved AYP for the past 2 years, resulting in funds of \$1000 for each building to be used for Title I. Mr. Cohrs acknowledged the Northumberland National Bank for their underwriting of the Stock Market Game.

Mr. Oswald said that his audit is next week. He reported that he will take over management of the SUN Vo-Tech Food Service and hopes to help them get "out of the red".

(copies of all reports to be included and made a part of the official minutes)

Mr. Hostetter, Budget and Finance Committee Chair, reported on the meeting held January 12 (a copy of the report to be included and made a part of the official minutes).

At the recommendation of the committee the board voted to approve the adoption of a resolution fixing the tax collectors' compensation as presented (copy of the resolution to be included and made a part of the official minutes).

Roll call vote:

Mr. Klingler - Aye	Mr. Wenrich - Aye
Mrs. O'Hora - Aye	Mr. Whitman - Aye
Mr. Robinson - Aye	Mr. Hostetter - Aye
Mr. Rowe - Aye	

Motion carried: 7 Aye - 0 No - 2 Absent

At the recommendation of the committee the board voted to approve the adoption of the 2009-10 Act 1 Budget Resolution indicating that it will not raise the rate of real estate taxes by more than the allowable index (a copy of the resolution to be included and made a part of the official minutes).

Roll call vote:

Mrs. O'Hora - Aye	Mr. Whitman - Aye
Mr. Robinson - Aye	Mr. Hostetter - Aye
Mr. Rowe - Aye	Mr. Klingler - Aye
Mr. Wenrich - Aye	

Motion carried: 7 Aye - 0 No - 2 Absent

Mr. Whitman, Policy and Education Committee Chair, said a meeting was held before the board meeting and a report is forthcoming.

Mr. Whitman, Negotiations Committee Chair, said a meeting was held on January 12 and he will present some of the discussion at the executive session tonight. A report is forthcoming.

Mr. Robinson, SUN Area Career and Technology JOC Chair, congratulated Mr. Oswald on being selected to manage the food service department. He announced that candidate interviews are scheduled for mid-February.

It was moved by Mr. Klingler and seconded by Mrs. O'Hora to approve the following personnel matters:

Substitutes: Steve R. Beiber, III, Teacher; Elizabeth Schaeffer, Support Staff in all Kitchens

Leaves: Employee #080901 approximately April 15 through May 22, 2009; Employee #080902, approximately April 1, 2009 through the end of the school year; and Employee #080903, approximately May 4, 2009 through the end of the school year

Resignation: Leon M. Yoder, Aide to Student, effective January 14, 2009

Roll call vote:

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

Motion carried: 7 Aye - 0 No - 2 Absent

It was moved by Mr. Hostetter and seconded by Mr. Klingler to approve the list of tax exonerations as presented by the Business Manager. (a copy to be included and made a part of the official minutes)

Roll call vote:

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

Motion carried: 7 Aye - 0 No - 2 Absent

It was moved by Mr. Whitman and seconded by Mr. Robinson to approve a request by Mr. Cohrs, to submit the Highmark Healthy High 5 Grant for the Middle School for 2009 (\$10,000).

Roll call vote:

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

Motion carried: 7 Aye - 0 No - 2 Absent

It was moved by Mr. Robinson and seconded by Mr. Whitman to approve a request for Residence Rights to Free School Privileges made on behalf of Amber Nicole Yates, Grade 10, in the home of Phyllis M. Delawder and Larry L. Phillips, effective December 2, 2008.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Whitman – Aye
Mr. Hostetter – Aye
Mr. Klingler - Aye
Mrs. O’Hora - Aye

Mr. Robinson - Aye
Mr. Rowe - Aye
Mr. Wenrich - Aye

Motion carried: 7 Aye - 0 No - 2 Absent

With no further business before the Board, Mr. Rowe adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: _____
Lenora R. Springfield
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Larry D. Augustine
School Board Secretary