

**Worksession Meeting
Steel Valley School District Board of Directors
Senior High School Auditorium
January 17, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Cannon, President, at 7:20 p.m.

Upon roll call the following members were present:

Mr. Bajus, Mrs. Ballas, Mr. Olson, Mr. Terrick, Ms. Youngblood, Mrs. Kiefer, Mr. Natale and Mrs. Cannon
Absent: Mr. Ducar, Ms. Youngblood left the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Also present: Dr. Kinavey Mr. Cherpak, Mr. Fetzko, Mr. Colebank and Mrs. Borges

Items on the agenda were discussed. No action was taken.

Mr. Dixon provided the school board with an update on his security company, Pittsburgh Protection Services, and what they can provide to the school district. His partner, Andrew Miller, was also part of the presentation. Mr. Dixon would charge a flat rate of \$18 per hour with no additional charges for overtime. Mr. Natale requested Mr. Fetzko to look at the contract to see if we can get out of the current contract with Victory and would the service need to be bid.

Mr. Fetzko indicated that the proper procedure is to bid the service in the newspaper and then to select the lowest responsible bidder. If the lowest bidder is not our current provider then we would need to provide them with a 30 day notice that they are being replaced.

Board Minutes

No comments

Financial Management

- Mr. Natale questions on A. Liberoni, Gopher Sports, Munhall Borough for salt purchase, Associated Thermal Services, Pittsburgh Seamless Gutters and

what is happening with the bank accounts that are now with Citizens Bank. Nobody should be using their own personal vehicle for work related issues.

- Mrs. Cannon question on AIU PALO, Dr. Antoncic and Canova Electric. The questions are related to Canova and the amount of time that Canova is in the building.
- Mrs. Cannon questioned the alternatives to milk in the Park Elementary School. Mrs. Borges stated that there are many milk options but no other alternatives. Mrs. Cannon would like an additional alternative.
- Mr. Olson asked about Park Plumbing.

Operations

- Can we determine how we got \$60 as a cost for Hruska Plumbing dump truck? Mrs. Kiefer will provide me with a list of vehicles she is concerned with.
- Mrs. Ballas would like to move the voting meetings back to the library instead of the auditorium. Do a new advertisement to move the voting meetings to the library instead of the auditorium.

Co-Curricular Leadership

- Mrs. Cannon commented on the \$500 donation for the Prom Committee for the cost of the DJ.
- Mr. Terrick questioned facility usage for Barrett gymnasium for the community soccer group and damage to the Campbell Field restroom door by the Midget Football organization.

Special Assignments

- Mr. Colebank gave an update on the new director at Steel Center Vo-Tech.

Educational Leadership

- There is an Educational Leadership meeting on Thursday, January 19th at 6:30 p.m. in the high school conference room.
- Mrs. Cannon question about special education student athletes and taking the PSSA test with special circumstances such as reading the test to them.

Citizen Comments

- Mr. David Cannon thanked the Board for allowing the community baseball program to utilize the middle school gymnasium for baseball practice. Read a prepared statement about the various community organizations and the ability for the students involved in these organizations to successfully compete at the high school level. Mr. Cannon also read from the Student Athletic Coaches handbooks about the purpose of the middle school sports program. Look at the banners in the gym to find out when the last time any of our teams have won section championships.
- Mr. Todd spoke in support of Mr. Cannon's comments and outlined the successes of the Midget Football program and spoke about the need of the district to promote its athletic program.
- Ms. Donna Dreshman – comments about hiring for supplemental positions and positions being opened on an annual basis; how many employees do we have in the district; questions about gas receipts; Sprint tower rental payment reimbursement; question on the swimming pool and repairs to it; what about the hockey rink at the tennis court area; who is responsible for putting the agenda on the website; who evaluates the athletic coaches and administration; why are we trying to save money on batteries for the microphones.
- Ms. Sara Sullivan – how many security cameras are in the high school/middle school complex; how many are broken and why are they broken; how many students are enrolled in our cyber school program; how many are half-time, who is responsible for maintaining the curriculum for cyber-school, how many students are in the Batch Center; have there been any decisions made on the Franklin building, why is the district using Mr. Andrews to negotiate the contract, do you collect taxes from the communities in the school district; has there been any talk of mergers for the district.

Adjournment

The worksession ended at 9:53 p.m. with the board members adjourned into an executive session for the discussion of personnel and legal matters.