

**Regular Meeting
Steel Valley School District Board of Directors
Senior High School Conference Room
June 23, 2009**

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Ducar at 7:00 p.m.

Upon roll call the following members were in attendance:

Mrs. Ballas, Mrs. Cannon, Mrs. Kubancsek,
Mrs. McEnheimer, Mr. Olson, Mrs. Terrick,
Mr. Natale and Mr. Ducar

Absent: Mr. McCallister

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

Acknowledgements

Moment of Silence

The Board acknowledged the following deaths in the Steel Valley School District families: *Donald Patrick*, brother of Leslie Hairston, Franklin instructional aide; *Edward Slava*, brother-in-law of Mary Arovits, Barrett food service worker; *Edward R. Hritz*, grandfather of Cara Hritz, High School teacher; *Bonnie Kearns*, sister-in-law of Jean Kearns, Park food service worker; and *William A. Konecheck, Sr.*, grandfather of Mary Ann Wassel, Elementary Math Coach.

Mr. Natale moved and Mrs. Kubancsek seconded the motion to approve the purchase of memorial books to be placed into the district libraries in memory of the above departed. Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: None. Motion carried.

President's Comments

Mr. Ducar:

- The Barrett Elementary gym project is moving along.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kinavey:

- Dr. Kinavey announced that the I-TEAM is sponsoring a teaching conference this week for all teachers and administrators on the topics of curriculum analysis, behavior support and differentiated instruction. The summer camp for students will be held July 13-31, 2009, in the Steel Valley Middle School.
- A school readiness program will be held for eligible Kindergarten students from July 27 - August 7 at the Franklin Primary Center.
- Announced that the demolition of the Woodlawn building is occurring and two homes across the street from Barrett Elementary School have already been demolished. Mr. Cherpak added that the program manager for the demolition of Woodlawn verified that all necessary paperwork has been completed.

Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Services

Mr. Borges:

- Announced that an Extended School Year program would occur July 6-30 at Barrett Elementary School, Middle School and Senior High School.
- Training was held this week with a core team for a schoolwide support plan at Barrett Elementary School.
- A school nurse will be reviewing immunizations and calling families over the summer regarding student immunizations.

Director of Academics, Information & Technology

Mr. Colebank:

- Reported that the secondary report cards and student schedules have been mailed home. The middle school and high school students who have not fulfilled the immunization requirements have not received their schedules for 2009-2010.

Director of Elementary Education

Dr. Policastro:

- Reported that the student assessments for Kindergarten through 3rd grade have been completed. She will meet with the social studies teachers to begin curriculum writing.

Solicitor's Report

No report

Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

- Mrs. Paula Borsch – questions on budget not being on agenda, Item 1.2 (Appointing district's Act 511 Special Tax Collector), Item 6.1 (Resolution eliminating Director of Elementary Education), administrative reorganization, Item 6.4 (Resignation of Autistic Support Teacher), will this position be filled.
- Ms. Sharon Ford – question on Item 6.1 (Resolution eliminating Director of Elementary Education)

Board Meeting Minutes

Mr. Ducar moved and Mrs. Cannon seconded the motion to approve the meeting minutes of May 18, 2009 worksession and the May 26, 2009 regular meeting. Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McCallister, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Abstain: Terrick on May 18, 2009 worksession minutes. Negative: None. Motion carried.

Financial Management

Mr. Natale moved and Mrs. Cannon seconded the motion to approve the following:

- General Fund invoices for June 2009 in the amount of \$521,984.84
- General Fund hand checks for May 2009 in the amount of \$348,263.01
- Payroll Funding Transfers for May 2009
- Treasurer's Reports for March and April 2009
- General Fund Revenue Report for May 2009
- General Fund Expenditure Report for May 2009
- Food Service invoices for May 2009 in the amount of \$35,792.60
- Capital Projects 2005 Statement of Income and Expense for the month ending May 30, 2009
- Foundation for Education Statement of Income and Expense for the month ending May 30, 2009
- Custodial hand checks in the amount of \$10,976.54
- Athletic hand checks in the amount of \$136.35
- Middle School hand checks in the amount of \$223.35
- Band Trip/Hand Checks in the amount of \$1,638.71
- Appoint Legal Tax Service Inc., as the district's Act 511 Special Tax Collector
- Corrective action plan for the Auditor General's Performance Audit Report for fiscal years ending June 30, 2004 and 2003
- Renew the district's school leaders liability insurance for the 2009-2010 policy period through School Boards Insurance Company of PA and Cusumano Insurance Agency, Inc., at annual premium of \$15,227
- Renew the district's workers' compensation insurance through School Boards Insurance Company of PA and Cusumano Insurance Agency, at an annual premium of \$183,990 for the 2009-2010 school year

Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: McEnheimer on Item 1.1.05 (General Fund Revenue Report for May 2009) and Terrick on Item 1.1 (Invoice No. 030134). Motion carried.
Mr. Natale questioned Mr. Fetzko on delinquent tax collections.

Operations

Mr. Olson moved and Mrs. Cannon seconded the motion to approve the following:

- Facility rental requests
- Fundraising requests as presented, contingent upon receipt of insurance certificates from the vendors providing a moon bounce for the Gridiron Club and a dunking booth for the Hardball Club.
- Authorize proper officers of the district to execute the agreement with Equitable Energy for the purchase and sale of natural gas, effective September 1, 2010, and ending August 31, 2012
- Permit the middle school band director to dispose of six identified instruments to the scrap yard and the value will be deposited into the middle school band account

Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: None. Motion carried.

Co-Curricular Leadership

Mrs. Ballas moved and Mrs. Terrick seconded the motion to approve the following:

- The attendance of the Varsity and Junior Varsity Baseball team to the Tamp Bay Spring Training Camp on March 31 through April 3, 2010, and to cover the cost of the bus to and from the airport

Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: None. Motion carried.

Special Assignments

Mrs. McEnheimer moved and Mrs. Kubancsek seconded the motion to approve the following:

- 2009-2010 Steel Center AVTS Operating and Adult Education Budgets
- 2009-2010 Southeast Area Special School and Steel Center Area Vocational Technical School Administrative Budgets
- Hold a first reading of new Policy Nos. 248, 348, 448 and 548 Unlawful Harassment

Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: None. Motion carried.

Educational Leadership

Mrs. McEnheimer moved and Mrs. Cannon seconded the motion to approve the following:

- The K-5 Language Arts Curriculum Guides

Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: None. Motion carried.

Personnel Management

Mrs. Cannon moved and Mrs. Kubancsek seconded the motion to approve the following:

- Adopt the resolution eliminating the administrative position of Director of Elementary Education
- Adopt the resolution eliminating the administrative position of Director of Secondary Education
- Adopt the resolution eliminating the administrative position of Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Services/Elementary Education
- Approve the elimination of the Food Service Supervisor position effective June 30, 2009
- Appoint Jeffrey Soles to the position of Senior High School Principal effective on a mutually agreed upon date between the districts at a yearly salary of \$92,000 prorated for the 2009-

- 2010 school year and fringe benefits based upon the Act 93 Agreement
- Accept, with regret, the resignation of Shanna Bradfield from the position of Autistic Support Teacher effective August 1, 2009
 - Family medical leave of absence for Jessica Andzelik, not to exceed 12 weeks in duration
 - Posting the Kindergarten Title I Summer Camp positions at a rate of \$30 per hour for teachers and \$15 per hour for paraprofessionals per the collective bargaining agreements for the program beginning July 27 through August 7, 2009
 - Extending the contract with Dr. Rudolph Antoncic III for physician services, effective July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2012, at an annual rate of \$17,000
 - Authorize the proper officers of the district to execute the agreement with UPMC for the services of a certified athletic trainer effective July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, at a cost of \$24,000 for year 2009-2010 and \$25,000 for year 2010-2011
 - Motion to accept, with regret, the resignations of Edmond Tozzi from the boys' volleyball head coach position and Lindsay Ellis from the middle school cheerleading coach position
 - 2009-2010 salary increases and annual salaries for two confidential secretaries
 - The involuntary termination of employment of Anita Crawford from her position in the Senior High School cafeteria effective immediately

Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: None. Motion carried.

Dr. Kinavey introduced Mr. Jeffrey Soles to Steel Valley.

Citizen Comments

- Ms. Sharon Ford presented an amendment to a petition that was submitted to the Board last week.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m. by a motion of Mr. Ducar seconded by Mrs. Cannon.