

**Regular Meeting**  
**Steel Valley School District Board of Directors**  
**Senior High School Auditorium**  
**May 26, 2009**

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

Upon roll call the following members were present:

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: *Jean M. Davis*, grandmother of Erin Noblet, middle school teacher and aunt of Mary Jo Sklencar, Barrett paraeducator; *Mary Matis*, aunt of Michelle Maddigan, gifted support teacher; and *Wyatt M. Barker*, nephew of Dr. Kinavey, Superintendent.

**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: None

## **Student Representatives to the Board**

No report

## **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Kinavey:

- Announced there would be no school for students on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 2 and 3.
- The Kennywood picnic would be held on June 2 and a teacher inservice day is scheduled for June 3. The inservice day for employees focuses on training and wellness. Employees will have an opportunity to be certified in CPR, trained on SmartBoards and receive CPI training. They will also be able to participate in free health screenings and sports activities, such as swimming, walking, volleyball, basketball and softball.
- The Senior Awards ceremony will take place on Friday, June 5, in the high school auditorium. The 2009 Commencement exercises will be held on Tuesday, June 9, at the Campbell "A" Field beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- The middle school students were recognized for meeting the Accelerated Reader Book Challenge by reading at least 15 books and passing tests in addition to their regular reading in language arts: Sarah Pounds, Khang Chau, Connor Langan, Betsy Novotny, Mary Pham, Michael Borsch, Julia Lichtenfels, Shane King, Dom Keyes, Ryan Lasek, Leah Gatto, Natalie Reedy, Asata Owens, Joseph Neutrelle, Maura McGuire, Chelsea Pearson, Derek Marcone, Passion Jetter, Shane McGuire, Hailey Smith, David Salapa, Julie Robson, Michael Kraycar, Amber Travis, Eric Fetsko, Haley Brand, Keyonna Hardy, Cole Eged, Isis Cox, Tyler Smith, Nathan Knorpp, Delancy Lewis, Brandon Tomasic, Nick Borsch, Jasmine McCutcheon, Chelsea Cannon, Adeziah Hughes, Tu Duc Ho, Carley Rosso, Brittany Furlong, Amina Wilson, Joseph Yano, Jennifer Brizes
- Also recognized were Mrs. Terrie Hoffman, middle school librarian, and language arts teachers Ms. Susan Salapa and Mrs. Heather Huber for their encouragement.
- Mrs. Jill Fleming-Salopek and Mrs. Michelle Maddigan, sponsors of the Students Against Destructive Decisions

(SADD) club, recognized student members who volunteered for training and participated in the Allegheny County Tobacco Prevention program.

- Mrs. Jamie Moder of the Allegheny Intermediate Unit brought the district many opportunities for the students to teach their peers about the dangers of tobacco, coordinate an anti-tobacco expo at the middle school, and coordinate a community event at the Waterfront this year. Ms. Moder presented the district with a \$500 mini grant to continue the work started this year.
- Students who participated in the training and activities this year were: Kaitlynn Findlay, Niki Kwolek, Tim Szalkay, Aaron Faux, Ryan Brennan, Courtney Ross, Jacque Joll, Kelli Findlay, Taylor Stevens, Lauren Clark, Destenee Fuller, Liz Lengyl, Meghan Wolf, Jonnah Labishak, Taylor Szczepankowski, Emily Olson, Nicole Drane, Ashley McCallister, Sam Clark, Kenny Baurle.

### **Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Services**

Mrs. Borges:

- Reminded parents to have their children's immunizations updated according to the state mandates.
- Asked all parent groups to submit their meeting dates and other activities for placement in the 2009-2010 district calendar by June 1.

### **Director of Academics, Information & Technology**

Mr. Colebank:

- Reported there will be an early dismissal for high school students only on June 9.
- Middle school student schedules are completed and were sent home with students on May 26. The high school student schedules will be sent out on the last day of school. Parents and students have two weeks to request any changes.

### **Director of Elementary Education**

Dr. Policastro:

- Reported that Friday, May 29, is Step-Up Day for all fifth grade students. Students from Barrett and Park Schools will enjoy activities together and tour the middle school building.
- The district will be offering Spanish in Kindergarten and first grade during the 2009-2010 school year. This is the second year of Spanish in the elementary schools. The following year, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will receive instruction in Spanish.
- Announced that Kindergarten registration would be held on June 4 at Barrett Elementary School from 3:30-7:00 p.m. The Allegheny County Health Department will provide free immunizations for children in grades K-12. Parents must be present and bring their child's immunization record.

### **Solicitor's Report**

**Mr. Natale moved and Mrs. Ballas seconded the motion to approve a three-year contract between the Steel Valley School Board and Dr. William Kinavey, Superintendent, from July 25, 2009, through July 24, 2012.** Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: None. Motion carried.

Ms. Donna Dreshman asked what the salary in the contract is for each year.

### **Citizen Comments on Agenda Items**

- Mrs. Paula Borsch-questions on Item 1.7 (Exterior door replacement project) will there be contracted start and end dates in the contract and on Item 6.0 (Personnel Management) any relatives of Board members
- Ms. Donna Dreshman-questions on Item 1.2 (Approval of General Fund Budget for 2009-2010) any positions eliminated in the budget, Item 2.1 (Facility rental request) and Item 2.2 (Fundraising requests) what are the new items, Item 6.14 (Supplemental position of band director) will the auxiliary unit positions be filled tonight.

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

**Mr. Natale moved and Mrs. Terrick seconded the motion to approve the meeting minutes of the April 21, 2009 worksession and the April 28, 2009 regular meeting.** Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Abstain: Ballas and Kubancsek on April 21, 2009 minutes. Negative: None. Motion carried.

### **Financial Management**

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

- General Fund invoices for May 2009 in the amount of \$626,711.58
- General Fund hand checks for April 2009 in the amount of \$388,109.75
- Payroll Funding Transfers for April 2009
- General Fund Revenue Report for April 2009
- General Fund Expenditure Report for April 2009
- Food Service invoices for April 2009 in the amount of \$55,607.80
- Capital Projects 2005 Statement of Income and Expense for the month ending April 30, 2009
- Foundation for Education Statement of Income and Expense for the month ending April 30, 2009
- Custodial hand checks in the amount of \$27,216.96
- Athletic hand checks in the amount of \$200.00
- Middle School hand checks in the amount of \$946.91
- The proposed General Fund Budget for 2009-2010 with revenue in the amount of \$28,553,523 and expenditures in the amount of \$27,620,888
- To accept the remaining funds in the amount of \$56,800.29 from the Emergency Management grant
- Authorize Munhall Borough real estate tax refund to Howard Winkelbauer for Lot & Block 131-D-321 in the amount of \$301.99 as a result of an overpayment for year 2008
- Authorize the district to enter into an agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for IDEIA-Part B Use of Funds

for the school year 2009-2010 and to approve the Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds

- Award bids for the following supplies for the 2009-2010 school year: Art \$2,895.27, Athletic \$51,145.72, General School and Office \$41,900.43, Health \$900.46, Library \$127.63, Music \$753.63, Physical Education \$2,739.70, Science \$2,956.94 and Technology \$3,005.25 for a total amount of \$106,425.03
- Award the bid for exterior door replacements at Franklin Primary Center and Park Elementary, overhead coiling door replacements at Park Elementary, overhead coiling gates at Steel Valley High School and restroom partition replacements at Barrett Elementary per specifications to AB Specialties, Inc., at a cost of \$205,200.00, to be paid from the Capital Projects 2005 fund

Upon roll call the following members voted affirmatively: Ballas, Cannon, Kubancsek, McEnheimer, Olson, Terrick, Natale and Ducar. Negative: Terrick on Item 1.1.07(Capital Projects statement). Abstain: Terrick on Item 1.2 (General Fund Budget for 2009-2010). Motion carried.

### **Operations**

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

- Facility rental requests as presented
- Fundraising requests as presented
- Authorize the advertisement of bids for the purchase of a planer for the high school industrial arts department to be paid from the Capital Projects 2005 fund

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. Cannon seconded the motion to approve the following:**

- The attendance of sixth grade class to Idlewild Park Adventure Days Outdoor Classroom for Walk in our Watershed on May 21, 2009, at no cost to the district

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

### **Special Assignments**

No report

### **Educational Leadership**

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

- The 2009-2010 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Educational Services Agreement and authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to execute the agreement
- Accept a \$500 grant from the Rotary for the district pond renovation
- Approve an 11<sup>th</sup> grade student for early admission to college in lieu of senior year upon receipt of all documentation from the University of Pittsburgh Admissions Department

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:**

- Family medical leave of absence for Karen Catterall commencing March 30 through April 17, 2009
- Family medical leave of absence for Dana Mathews commencing on or about September 3, 2009, not to exceed 12 weeks in duration

- Child rearing leave of absence for Emilee Garcia commencing after the birth of her child on or about August 27, 2009, through January 19, 2010
- Appoint Susan Wilder, Shanna Bradfield, Susan Fontanese and Terri Brown-Groce as the special education teachers and Melissa Ladik and Mary Jo Sklencar as the special education paraeducators for the extended school year program from July 6-30, 2009
- Ini Hazatonas as a day-to-day substitute for the 2008-2009 school year
- Authorize two (2) additional bereavement days to Leslie Hairston
- Family medical leave of absence for Ronald McKee retroactive to April 14, 2009, and ending on or about August 1, 2009
- Family medical leave of absence for Karen Smith, retroactive to February 11, 2009, with an undetermined date for her return to work at this time
- Michael Carr as a substitute custodian at the rate of \$8.75 per hour and no benefits, contingent upon passing a general physical examination and the district's mandated screening for controlled substances
- Eugene Doyle as a substitute custodian at the rate of \$8.75 per hour and no benefits, contingent upon passing a general physical examination and the district's mandated screening for controlled substances
- Kathy Ligeros as a substitute custodian at the rate of \$8.75 per hour and a substitute food service worker at \$7.15 per hour and no benefits, contingent upon passing a general physical examination and the district's mandated screening for controlled substances
- Deborah Perry as a substitute instructional aide and a substitute food service worker at the rate of \$7.15 per hour and no benefits, contingent upon passing a general physical examination and the district's mandated screening for controlled substances.
- Timothy Ross as a substitute instructional aide at the rate of \$7.15 per hour and no benefits, contingent upon passing a general physical examination and the district's mandated screening for controlled substances

- David Morus to the supplemental position of band director for the 2009-2010 school year.

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

### **Citizen Comments**

- Ms. Donna Dreshman asked if we have a finish date for Woodlawn, will we clean up the tennis courts and will the swimming pool be open to the public this summer.
- Ms. Sharon Ford commented she is starting a new educational initiative and is looking for a representative from the Board.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. by a motion of Mrs. Kubancsek, seconded by Mrs. Cannon.