
Steel Valley School District Board Brief



**Board Meeting
August 11, 2003**

The Board acknowledged the acknowledged the passing of Mr. John Kiefer, brother-in-law of Donna Kiefer; Mrs. Marion Winters, sister-in-law of Carole Smart; Mrs. Dorothy Wellman, grandmother of Ed Wellman; Mrs. Betty Jean Swartzwelder, cook at Park School; Mr. Edward Kovach, father of Suzanne Wintruba; Mrs. Therese Nolan, mother of Jane Kulhanek; Mr. Robert Morrison, father of Michelle Blasko; Mrs. Rosemarie McCallister, sister of Joy Kardos and aunt of Holli Bobick; Mrs. Gloria Sterner, grandmother of Jodi Geyer; Mrs. Anna Wank, aunt of Jim Barry; Mrs. Megan Calderaro, aunt of Alyson Sapko; Mrs. Josephine King, mother of Josephine Slekar and aunt of Tom Donaldson; and Mr. Stephen Szekely, uncle of Dr. Glunk. In their memory, books will be placed into the Steel Valley School District Libraries.

Superintendent's Report

- The Board approved the readmission of a minor male student to the Senior High School on a probationary basis for the 1st semester of the 2003-2004 school term.

Solicitor's Report

- The Board expelled a minor male student until March 12, 2004.:

Fincancial Management

The Board approved the following Financial Items:

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| • General Fund invoices for 2002-2003 in the amount of | \$186,664.72 |
| • General Fund invoices for 2003-2004 in the amount of | \$198,372.00 |
| • General Fund hand checks for June in the amount of | \$61,281.76 |
| • General Fund hand checks for July in the amount of | \$1,319,334.75 |
| • Food Service invoices in the amount of | \$8,355.07 |
| • General Fund Revenue Report for June 2003 | |
| • General Fund Expenditure Report for June 2003 | |
| • Title I invoices in the amount of | \$48,793.30 |
| • Real estate tax refund in West Homestead for | \$176.14 |

- Real estate tax refunds in West Homestead totaling \$2,050.58
- Real estate tax refund in Homestead for \$993.84
- Real estate tax refund in Homestead for \$261.43
- Exonerate a lien on West Homestead property
- Agreement for the Volunteer Insurance Protection Program
- Package, Automobile and Umbrella Insurance at a cost of \$40,756
- Boiler Insurance at a cost of \$7,280.12
- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Nina Ondrako as tax collector for the Borough of West Homestead effective August 31, 2003.

Operations

The Board approved the following:

- Facility rentals and fundraising requests as presented
- School Security Services
- Donation of photographs from Homestead High School to the Rivers of Steel Heritage Museum
- Use of high school pool by Thomas Jefferson Varsity Swimming Team
- Lease agreements with Xerox for digital copiers

Co-Curricular Leadership

The Board approved the following:

- Participation by the Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleaders to the National Cheerleading competition in Williamsburg, VA.

Educational Leadership

The Board approved the following:

- Act 80 days on December 22 and April 7
- Inservice workshop by Dr. Karen Brown
- First reading of revisions to Policy No. 121 Field Trips
- First reading of revisions to Policy No. 215 Promotion and Retention

Personnel Management

The Board approved the following:

- Accepted, with regret, resignation of William Lazaro from his position as a High School English teacher effective immediately.
- Appointed Rebecca Riddle as a temporary professional in Language Arts assigned to the Middle School effective August 25, 2003
- Appointed Erik Jabs as a long-term substitute in Spanish assigned to the Senior High School effective August 25, 2003
- Appointed Brian Savolskis as a temporary professional in Mathematics assigned to the Middle School effective August 25, 2003
- Retroactively approved Cynthia Kortz for the Summer Reading Camp at Franklin

- Tenure status to Michelle Blasko, Amber Cupples, Bethany Fenyus, Jodi Geyer, Susan Large, Albert Lesutis, Yvette Logan, Robert Shoemaker, Roslyn Stulga, Tim Vickers, Kimberly Gennari and Cynthia Levick
- Substitute teachers and nurses for 2003-2004
- Administrative salary increases for 2003-2004
- Accepted, with regret, the resignations of:
Jason Race Part-time high school clerk
Jennifer Coggin Assistant Varsity Cheerleading coach
Darren Beasock Jr. High Assistant Football coach
- Creation of a Personal Care Aide position
- Fall Athletic Supplementals
- Appointed Kelly Sabo to position of Head Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach
- Appointed Wyona Rompala as a general worker in the food service department
- Appointed Department Head supplementals
- Increased hourly substitute rate to \$6.25/hour

Personnel Management

The Board approved the following:

- Minutes from workshop meeting of June 2, regular meeting of June 9 and budget meetings of June 4 and June 23, 2003
- General fund invoices in the amount of \$167,664.12
- General fund hand checks in the amount of \$978,703.41
- Food service invoices in the amount of \$7,379.13
- General fund revenue report from May 2003
- General fund expenditure report from May 2003
- Title I invoices in the amount of \$65,115.03
- Custodial invoices in the amount of \$2,232.34
- Middle School in the amount of \$474.97
- Custodial/Hand Checks in the amount of \$2,971.00
- Middle School/Hand Checks in the amount of \$2,971.00
- Real estate tax refund in Munhall for \$370.84
- Real estate tax refund in Munhall for \$434.97
- Janitorial bids in the amount of \$5,513.40 for 2003-2004
- H-T Capital Markets as investment banker
- Ira Weiss Law Office as Bond Counsel
- Board Secretary to sign signature cards for Citizens Bank for delinquent tax collection by Maiello, Brungo & Maiello
- Board Secretary to transfer \$5,000
- 2002-2003 budget transfers necessary to close books
- Maiello, Brungo & Maiello to utilize the services of Barone, Shonberg & White to conduct preliminary review of 10 properties located in the Waterfront at a cost of \$500 each
- Payment of dental and vision premiums for those retirees who would switch from the indemnity program to Select Blue program
- Facility rentals and fundraising requests as presented
- Maintenance agreement with Compu-Fix, Inc., for computer equipment maintenance at a cost of \$3,311.70 for 2003-2004
- Accepted donations for the Steel Valley Memorial Garden as listed
- Purchase agreement with Educational Options, Inc., in the amount of \$2,500 for online course curriculum to be used in the 2003 Summer School Program at the Senior High School
- Elementary, Middle School and High School Student Handbooks
- Accepted, with regret, the retirement of Mr. Eugene Kritko at the close of business October 20, 2003

- Accepted, with regret, the retirement of Mr. Mark Schmidt effective at the end of the 2003-2004 school year
- Appointed Mr. Kevin Walsh to the position of Elementary Principal of Barrett Elementary School effective July 1, 2003
- Appointed Miranda Davern for the 2003 Read to Succeed Summer Program at Barrett, and Nicole Adams, Shirley Feschuk, Eileen O'Toole, Betty Lyons and Mary Lou McConnell for the Read to Succeed Summer Program at Franklin at \$25/hour for teachers and \$12.50/hour for instructional aides
- Appointed Marion Kociban to the Middle School Summer Program and Jeff Catterall to the High School Summer Program at a rate of \$25/hour
- Administrative Compensation Plan
- Denied grievance #02-170
- Appointed Toni Besh to the supplemental position of Foreign Language Department Head
- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Shawn McCallister as the Girls' Varsity Head Basketball coach
- Appointed Shelly Blick as a substitute in the custodial and food service departments
- Salary increases for three confidential secretaries
- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Gene Kritko from the supplemental positions of Junior Class sponsor and Commencement coordinator
- General Fund Budget in the amount of \$21,260,811 and set millage rate at 18.92
- Dr. Allen Mendler as an inservice speaker on August 27
- Appealed the Charter Appeal Board decision for Propel Charter School-Homestead
- Repair of high school sidewalk
- Advertise for an Assistant Middle School Principal/Principal of Franklin Primary Center