



Steel Valley School District

Board Brief

Board Meeting
June 25, 2015

The School Board acknowledged the passing of **John M. Davern**, father-in-law of Mandy Davern, 3rd grade teacher at Park School; **Margaret E. Campbell**, mother of Patrick Campbell, Munhall Police Chief; **Peter Braun**, uncle of Erin Noblet, middle school special education teacher; **H. R. Spangler**, father of Darla Urban, substitute secretary; **Anna Marie Sninsky**, founding member of the Steel Valley Arts Council and the Carnegie Library of Homestead; **Patricia A. Derbish**, grandmother of Jeff Deabner, high school science teacher; **Donald C. Wukich**, retired Woodland Hills School Board member; and **Rosemary Russell**, mother of Rebecca Russell, retired middle school music teacher. It was moved by **Ms. Youngblood** and seconded by **Mrs. Steele** to place an appropriate selection of books into the school libraries in their memory.

President's Report

Mrs. Kiefer reported that *The Daily News* named Varsity Softball Coach **Matt Janov** as Coach of the Year. Mr. Janov served as an assistant coach from 2002-2010 before becoming the varsity head coach. The girls finished 9-8 overall and advanced to the WPIAL Class AA semifinals for the second time in school history, which earned Mr. Janov the *Daily News* Coach of the Year honors. With a young team this year and no seniors on the roster, the Lady Ironmen had an exciting year and Mrs. Kiefer is looking forward to another successful season next year.

Varsity Baseball Coach **Tim Vickers** was also named *The Daily News* Baseball Coach of the Year. This was Mr. Vickers' 9th season as coach. Last year the Ironmen captured the WPIAL championship and earned a spot in the PIAA playoffs for the first time under Coach Vickers. They returned in 2015 with a new player at almost every position. Although they didn't repeat earning a WPIAL title this year, they did qualify for the PIAA playoffs and advanced to the second round. The Ironmen had a 13-7 record and 7-3 record in Section 4-AA. The Ironmen's playoff run helped Mr. Vickers earn *The Daily News* Coach of the Year honors.

Congratulations to Mr. Janov and Mr. Vickers. You've made Steel Valley proud.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Wehrer announced that 2015 Graduate **Brandon Donovan** was named *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette's* Player of the Year.

Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Services Report

Mrs. Borges reported that special education students who are eligible for extended school year services would begin summer camp on July 6 for four weeks.

The Reading and Math Camp for elementary students begins June 29 at Barrett Elementary School.

Mrs. **Alyson Fisher**, Elementary Guidance Counselor at Franklin and Barrett Schools, presented at the Implementors Forum for the School Wide Behavior Support Program.

Director of Academics, Information & Technology Report

Mr. Colebank announced that a 65-inch interactive television would be stationed in the high school lobby to increase communications. It will be used to announce district events, club activities, and professional development activities.

Mr. Colebank is preparing for the first round rollout of the iPad devices. We have installed additional fiber between all the buildings, and we are building for future services for the staff and students.

Meeting Minutes

The Board approved the following meeting minutes:

- May 26, 2015 worksession meeting
- May 28, 2015 regular meeting

Financial Management

The Board approved the following financial items:

- General Fund invoices for June 2015 in the amount of \$511,091.95
- General Fund hand checks for May 2015 in the amount of \$321,978.67
- General Fund Revenue Report for May 2015
- General Fund Expenditure Report for May 2015
- General Fund Trial Balance for May 2015
- Food Service invoices for May 2015 in the amount of \$34,488.90
- Food Service Revenue Report for May 2015
- Food Service Expenditure Report for May 2015
- Food Service Trial Balance for May 2015
- Payroll Funding Transfers for May 2015
- Capital Projects 2005 Statement of Income and Expense for month ending May 31, 2015
- High School Student Activities Balance Sheet
- School Activities Balance Sheet
- Athletics Balance Sheet, Revenue and Expense Statements
- Transferred from the General Fund to the Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$1,000,000
- **PSBA** policies and premiums of \$335,070.00
- Refund to **Kimberly G. Moreno** in the amount of \$2,192.80 due as a result of a change in assessment for year 2014 for Lot & Block 130-L-121-02
- Capital lease with a \$1 purchase option with **Apple Services** at a rate of 1.9%. This is a three-year lease with the intent to cash in the residual value into a new lease. The value of the lease will be \$470,700.00
- Apple technical and project management services
- Ratified the Administration's decision to obtain architectural services with **Kudravy Architects** in the amount of \$2,200.00 in order to perform ADA analysis of existing facilities
- Entered into an agreement with **Eric Ryan Corporation (ERC)** to provide services in order to create a more effective and efficient payment of utilities
- Architectural service and rates submitted by Kudravy Architects. These rates will be used for future district architectural needs
- Request to complete bituminous paving and summer work schedule for the district in the amount of \$3,000 with Kudravy Architects

Operations

The Board approved the facility rental requests as presented.

Co-Curricular Leadership

The Board approved the following items:

- Fundraising requests as presented
- Awarded the football uniform bid

Special Assignments

The Board approved the following items:

- Held second reading and adopted all policies in Section 200 of the Board Policy Manual
- Held second reading and adopted Policy 819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response
- Modified Policy 221 Dress and Language to include navy blue as an option for pants, shorts, jumpers, skirts, capris and skorts
- **Steel Center for Career and Technical Education** Operating Budget, Administrative Budget, and Workforce Development Budget and the Southeast Area Special School Administrative Budget for the 2015-2016 school year

Educational Leadership

The Board approved the following items:

- Adopted the K-12 English Language Arts curriculum
- Accepted a donation from **Douglas Kelly** of Wyatt Incorporated, in association with Bayer, of office chairs and filing cabinets for the school district
- Accepted a donation of 20 copies of *Black Chronicle* from **Jack Pischke** of the Allegheny County Jail

Personnel Management

The Board approved the following items:

- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Lauren Baughman** from the positions of Elementary Principal at Park Elementary School and Coordinator of Elementary Education retroactive to the close of business on June 19, 2015
- Appointed **Kimberly Glinka** as a Speech and Language Therapist/Teacher and **Susan Wilder** as an Instructor in the Home/Homebound Special Education Teacher for the 2015 Extended School Year at a rate of \$32.00 per hour. Appointed **Barb Hurley** as a floater teacher at the substitute teacher rate for the 2015 Extended School Year Program
- **Meaghan Collins** for the supplemental position of Assistant Cheerleading Coach for the 2015-2016 school year, pending receipt of current Act 34, 151 and 114 clearances and completed Act 168
- 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 salary increases and annual salaries for the two confidential secretaries as listed retroactive to July 1, 2014
- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Michael Hofbauer** from the supplemental position of Varsity Golf Coach effective immediately
- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Melissa Cheslock** from the position of Middle School Principal, effective on a mutually agreed upon date