



## Steel Valley School District Board Brief

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**Board Meeting  
March 8, 2004**

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The Board acknowledged the acknowledged the passing of Mrs. Elizabeth Lough, aunt, and Mr. Ernest Ankrom, father, of Diana Borges, Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Services; Mr. William Rushe, brother-in-law of Tom Schuster, Senior High teacher; Mrs. Rose Zambron, aunt of Connie Garrison, Park teacher; Mrs. Mary E. Meister, mother-in-law of Gail Meister, Senior High teacher; Mrs. Ann Sweeney, aunt of Carol McKenna, Barrett teacher; Mrs. Helen Rydzeski, aunt of Cindy Pienkoski, Park custodian; Mrs. Dorothy George, aunt of Tammy Mihalyco, Barrett teacher; Mrs. Lillian Weiss, aunt of Sharon Dektor, Barrett teacher. In their memory, books will be placed into the Steel Valley School District Libraries.

### **President's Report**

- Various Board members and Administrators were invited to read to students at Park and Barrett during Dr. Seuss week

### **Superintendent's Report**

- Commonwealth court has upheld the decision on the Propel Charter School appeals.

### **Assistant Superintendent's Report**

- PSSA testing of Grades 3, 5, 8 and 11 in Math and Reading will be conducted during the week of March 22.
- The Senior High musical, "Once On This Island," will be performed on March 25-27.

### **Solicitor 's Report**

- TheBoard authorized the Solicitor to settle the appeal of Park Corporation.
- The Board authorized the expulsion of a minor male student for the remainder of the 2003-2004 school year.
- The Board approved the minutes of the February 2 and February 9 board meetings.

### **Financial Management**

The Board approved the following items:

General Fund Invoices \$281,851.72  
General Fund Hand Checks \$1,660,712.01  
Food Service Invoices \$31,544.87

General Fund Revenue Report for January 2004  
General Fund Expenditure Report for January 2004  
Title I Invoices \$46,295.80  
Custodial Invoices \$1,177.34  
Band Trip Invoices \$1,197.00  
Custodial/Hand Checks \$360.00  
Athletic/Hand Checks \$2,429.85  
Band Trip/Hand Checks \$948.60  
Middle School/Hand Checks \$145.00  
Budget transfer of \$529 to purchase two new stoves for the Family Consumer Science classroom  
Authorize purchase of 2002 income tax data magnetic tape  
Authorize Munhall Borough real estate tax refunds totaling \$3,105.70  
Exonerate Homestead, Munhall and West Homestead tax collectors  
Authorize closing of English Publication Account and transfer remaining funds  
Authorize closing of the Rifle Team activity  
Authorize closing of the Boys' Tennis Team activity  
Approve, retroactively, payment to School Security Services in the amount of \$10,401.48

## **Operations**

The Board approved the following:

Facility rentals as presented  
Fundraising requests as presented  
Donation of elementary books from Appleton Area School District  
Donation from the Disabled American Veterans, Chapter #27, in the amount of \$1,500  
Deny payment to Marvana Construction  
Award refuse hauling services to BFI Waste for 2004-05 and 2005-06  
Authorize payment for arbitration award to Bryan Mechanical, Inc., for \$11,965

## **Co-Curricular Leadership**

The Board approved attendance of the Barrett elementary band members to Seton Hill University and Jeannette Senior High School

## **Educational Leadership**

The Board approved the following:

Adopt revisions to the 2003-04 school calendar  
Adopt the 2004-05 official school calendar  
Futuristics Research to conduct a Student Exit Survey for the Class of 2004  
Accept the grant from the Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation

## **Personnel Management**

The Board approved the following Personnel Items:

Extension of an unpaid Family Medical leave for Mr. James Brooks  
Unpaid Family Medical leave for Mrs. Melissa Draganosky  
Unpaid Family Medical leave for Ms. Carolyn Griffiths  
Ryan Ellis as a long-term substitute  
Attendance of Mrs. Aldine Coleman to the Safe School Conference  
Attendance of Mrs. Diana Borges to the PA Association of Pupil Services Administrators Conference  
Attendance of Mrs. Mary Cay Rojtas-Milliner to the PA School Librarians' Association Annual Conference

Attendance of Mr. Michael Chalus to the Technology Student Association Conference  
Attendance of Mr. Brad Thompson to the PA Music Educators' Association All State Annual Conference  
Attendance of Mrs. Tammy Hall to the National Science Teachers Association Conference  
Expenditure of \$500 for Dr. Tracey Czajkowski to make a presentation at the March 8, 2004 inservice  
Expenditure of \$800 to the AIU to make a presentation at the March 8, 2004 inservice  
Mr. Jeff Catterall as Assistant Wrestling Coach for 2003-04  
Job description for tutors and authorize advertising the appropriate job posting  
Deny Dr. Beth Tully's request to transfer vacation days  
Accept, with regret, the retirement of Mrs. Mary Napolitano from her position in the Park School Food Service Department at the end of the 2003-04 school year  
Appoint Ms. Stephanie Harbulak as a tutor at Barrett Elementary School  
Unpaid leave of absence for Mrs. Nancy Fenner  
Accept, with regret, the resignation of Mrs. Patti Strom as Head Girls' Varsity Soccer Coach  
List of chaperones to accompany the Marching Band to Orlando, Florida  
List of chaperones to accompany the Cheerleaders to the National Cheerleading Competition in Williamsburg, Virginia  
One additional security guard at the Senior High from 2:00-10:00 p.m.  
Settlement Agreement