



Steel Valley School District Board Brief

**Board Meeting
March 12, 2001**

The Board acknowledged the passing of Mrs. Wilma Wargo, sister-in-law of Robert Wargo, Board Member; Mrs. Antoinette Hobert, aunt of Bridget Balistrieri, Senior High Food Service; Mrs. Vay Phouthavong, mother-in-law of Lilly Phouthavong, Instructional Aide, Barrett Elementary; Mrs. Audrey Ankrom, aunt of Diana Borges, Director of Pupil Services; Mr. Edward Adamski, father of Ed Adamski, Senior High Instructor; Mr. James B. Nicholson, father of Vic Nicholson, Park Elementary Instructor; Mrs. Helen Hritz, mother-in-law of Drew Vautier, Middle School Instructor; Mr. David Inglis, uncle of Doug McKinney, Senior High Instructor; Mr. Betty Judge, former teacher in Homestead and Steel Valley School Districts; Mrs. Cindy Susalla, aunt of Jennifer Awenowicz, Franklin Primary Instructor. In their memory, books will be placed into the Steel Valley School District Libraries.

Superintendent's Report

- Congratulations to the following winners of the Munhall Woman's Club Arts and Crafts contest: Jonathan Edwards, Randi Libby, Amber Hall, Mike Brezicky, Marci McCann and Brittany Youngblood.
- The schedule for Kindergarten registration is as follows:

Monday, April 2	Franklin Primary	4:00-7:30 p.m.	Last Names A-M
Tuesday, April 3	Franklin Primary	4:00-7:30 p.m.	Last Names N-Z
Wednesday, April 4	Barrett Elementary	4:00-6:00 p.m.	

- There will be no school for students on Friday, March 30 (Clerical Day).
- Performances of the High School musical, "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," will be on March 15, 16 and 17 starting at 7:30 p.m.

Assistant Superintendent's Report

- There will be early dismissals for students in Kindergarten through Grade 5 on March 28 and 29.
- The Pennsylvania System of School Assessments (PSSA) will be given March 19-30 for Grades 5, 8 and 11.

Student Representatives' Report

- Franklin Primary group pictures will be taken on March 21.
- The Sarris Candy fundraiser at Franklin Primary will conclude on March 29.

- Barrett and Park Elementary students celebrated "Read Across America" and Dr. Seuss' birthday during the first week of March.
- The Pittsburgh Symphony Ambassador program met with instrumental students in Grades 4 and 5.
- A Family Night Math Carnival will be held on March 14 at Barrett Elementary.
- Dr. James E. Henderson, Dean of Duquesne University's School of Education, will visit the students at Barrett Elementary on March 23.
- Congratulations to the Boys' and Girls' Basketball teams on their successful seasons.
- Good luck to the Steel Valley Cheerleaders who will be leaving for the CANAM competition in South Carolina. o The SAT's will be held at the Senior High on March 31.
- A Middle School dance will be held on Friday, March 23.
- All Grade 7 Middle School students will attend a workshop at the Benedum Center to view backstage preparations for the opera.
- On March 29, Middle School students will attend the opera presentation of "Falstaff."

Educational Leadership

- The Board approved the 2001-2002 AIU Program of Services Budget.

Financial Management

- The Board approved the following Financial Items:

General Fund Invoices	\$84,744.68
Custodial Invoices	\$2,906.62
Custodial Custodial/Hand Checks	\$6,396.00
Athletic/Hand Checks	\$600.00

- The Board exonerated current real estate tax collectors for the year 2000.
- The Board approved an increase in mileage reimbursement to 35.5 cents per mile for parents who transport a special education child .

Operations

- The Board approved Facility Rentals and Fundraising Requests.
- The Board approved disposition of unused books and film work equipment to an educational foundation .

Personnel Management

- The Board approved Rebecca Whelan as a substitute teacher for the 2000-01 school year.

- The Board approved Leisel Lengyel, Debora Morgan and Gina Panarello as alternate/substitute tutors for the Reading Excellence Program.
- The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of Kevin Tomasic as 8th Grade Middle School Boys_ Basketball Coach.
- The Board approved the attendance of Mrs. Janice Glunk and Mrs. Audrey Hinkle to the Apple Learning Professional Development Workshop.
- The Board approved James D. Barry, Jr. as a substitute custodian.
- The Board approved Shawn Sherlock as a substitute custodian.
- The Board approved the Agreement by the Steel Valley Secretarial/Aide Educational Support Personnel Association and the Steel Valley School District effective July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2006.

Co-Curricular Leadership

- The Board approved the Park Elementary 5th Grade field trip to Fort Necessity.
- The Board approved the High School Concert Choir trip to New York City.

Special Assignments

- The Board approved the second reading of Policy 114.1 Programs for Gifted Students.

Previous Board Action

- The Board approved the following:

Expulsion of a Minor Male Student

Workshop Minutes of February 5 and Meeting Minutes of February 12

Authorized grant writing and submission, contingent upon review by the Superintendent Financial Items:

General Fund Invoices	\$407,591.45
General Fund Hand Checks	\$1,766,155.97
Title I Invoices	\$202,489.93
Food Service Invoices	\$26,586.55
Custodial Invoices	\$5,653.79
Band Trip	\$500.00

Repayment of Real Estate Tax

Purchase of Earned Income Tax Data

Maher Duessel as local auditor for 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-03

Facility Rentals

Fundraising Requests

Palombo Landscaping for field work

Accepted, with regret, conditional letters of intent for early retirement from the following: Mr. Michael Benca, Mrs. Connie Garrison, Mrs. Sharon Janosko, Mr. Vic Nicholson, Mr. Gregg Roeper and Mrs. Mel Unites

Accepted, with regret, conditional letters of intent for retirement from the following: Mrs. JoAnn Andrus, Ms. Linda Perhacs, Mr. Andy Vettel and Ms. Cecilia Wenisch

Accepted, with regret, conditional letter of early retirement from Mr. George Barnes

Attendance of Mrs. Diana Borges to the PA Association of Pupil Services Administrators Conference

Supplemental appointments of Mrs. Marcia Price and Mr. Eric Chalus as Grade Level Facilitators

Mary Lou McConnel as Instructional Aide at Franklin Primary Center

Megan Davern as substitute teacher for remainder of 2000-01 school year

Charles Potts to vacant custodial position

Attendance of Dr. Morgan to the Power of Knowledge Conference

Payment of \$2,000 to the Senior Reception Committee

Participation of the Student Assistance Program in the 19th annual Teen Institute

First reading of Policy No. 114.1 Programs for Gifted Students