



# Steel Valley School District Board Brief

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**Board Meeting  
September 18, 2000**

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The Board acknowledged the passing of Mrs. Helen Kuczynski, aunt of Dan Pietrowski, Senior High teacher; Mrs. Armella Resko, mother-in-law of Carol Resko, Senior High teacher; Mrs. Elizabeth McCombs, mother-in-law of Dan London, Park custodian; Mrs. Joanne Carr, sister of Norma Kearns, Barrett food service; Mr. John Sava, former Superintendent, Farrell Area School District, Director of United Way's Early Intervention Program and member of the "Distressed Seven School Districts." In their memory, books will be placed into the Steel Valley School District Libraries.

## **Superintendent's Report**

- Principals reported on the opening of school activities including new personnel and new programs being conducted in their buildings.
- The Steel Valley School District welcomed Mukul Tahiliani, our Rotary International Foreign Exchange student, and Mr. & Mrs. Collin Roberts, host family to the district.
- Dr. Grimm announced that Mr. William V. Campbell will be donating an additional \$500,000 to the Steel Valley School District. This donation is to be used for all facets of electronic learning.

## **Assistant Superintendent's Report**

- Staff development training for faculty will be held during the In-service Days scheduled for October 9 and 10.
- The PSSA results for Grade 6 and Grade 9 have been received. After the results have been analyzed, a presentation will be made to the Board of School Directors.

## **Student Representatives' Report**

- Park Elementary has held two assemblies this year. The first assembly was presented by McDonald's on motivation; the second was entitled "The History of Pittsburgh through Music and Dance."
- Park will hold a roller skating party at Eden Park on September 27.
- Over 70 parents have signed up to attend Park's "Parent University."
- Student pictures will be taken at Barrett Elementary on September 29.
- On September 15, Barrett Elementary held an assembly on the Rainforest.
- The Middle School PTO is in the process of planning dances for the upcoming year.
- The Steel Valley Varsity Marching Band won First Place at the Middleton competition.
- Open House was held during the week of September 11 and was well attended.
- All schools reviewed the new tardy and attendance policy.

## Financial Management

The Board approved the following Financial Items:

General Fund Invoices	\$112,803.65
Title I Invoices	\$65,735.95

## Operations

- The Board approved Facility Rentals as requested
- The Board approved Fundraising Requests.
- The Board approved payment of \$36,791.16 from 2000-01 Capital Improvement Fund to the General Fund.

## Personnel Management

The Board approved the following Supplemental Appointments:

Rotary Interact Club	Mary Cay Milliner and Mary McGrath
Varsity Club	Jennifer Thompson
Key Club	Gwen Berchok
Environmental Club	Rusty Owston

- The Board authorized attendance of Dr. Morgan, Officer Meals and Officer D'Alessandro at the COPS In Schools training, November 14-17, in Knoxville, TN or the next available training session.
- The Board approved Mrs. Janice Glunk's attendance at the PSTA Annual Convention on November 30 and December 1 at Seven Springs.
- The Board approved Mr. Rusty Owston and two of his coaching staff to attend the Wrestling Coaches Clinic on October 26 and October 27 at Penn State University.

## Co-Curricular Leadership

- The Board approved establishing a 7th grade Boys' Basketball coaching position, an 8th grade Boys' Basketball coaching position, a 7th grade Girls' Basketball coaching position, an 8th grade Girls' Basketball coaching position, a 7th grade Girls' Volleyball position and an 8th grade Girls' Volleyball coaching position and authorized the Superintendent to meet with the SVEA to establish the extra duty remuneration.

## Previous Board Action

- The Board approved the following:

Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2000  
Disposal of unused and obsolete equipment  
Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Doug Pastore  
Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Christine Eyles  
Sheila Wrigley as substitute cafeteria and instructional aide  
Lillian Phouthavong as substitute cafeteria, secretary and instructional aide  
Melissa Boytim McMahon as substitute cafeteria, secretary and instructional aide

Mr. Albert Lesutis as Special Ed/Learning Support instructor  
Ms. Bethany Fenyus as Language Arts instructor  
Mr. Richard Steele as Technology Education instructor  
Ms. Roslyn Stulga as Elementary Art instructor  
Mrs. Kimberly Gennari as half-time ESL instructor  
Mr. James Oriss as interim elementary Guidance Counselor  
Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Mrs. Andrea Gearhart effective 9/8/00  
Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Mrs. Andrea Gearhart from Key Club and SADD sponsor  
Supplemental appointments to Department Head  
Clarence Adams English  
Beth McCallister Mathematics  
Mark Schmidt Foreign Language  
Jack Garrity Health & Physical Education  
Dave Emro Technical & Information Science  
Gregg Roeper Science  
William Seaman Social Studies  
Fine Arts Doug McKinney  
Wellness Cindy DeLuca  
Mr. Chris Miller to JV Varsity Assistant Football Coach  
Denied readmission of a minor male student  
Meeting Minutes of August 14  
Special Meeting Minutes of August 23  
Non-Financial Cooperation Agreement between the AIU and Steel Valley School District  
Memorandum of Understanding between PA Educators' Clearinghouse, PA-Educator.net and Steel Valley School District  
Strategic Plan for submission to PA Department of Education

#### Financial Items:

General Fund Invoices \$224,313.19  
General Fund Hand Checks \$1,927,771.71  
Food Service Invoices \$19,610.51  
General Fund Revenue Report  
General Fund Expenditure Report  
Custodial Invoices \$5,105.60  
Athletic Invoices \$2,783.75  
Middle School Invoices \$331.70  
Custodial Invoices/Hand Checks \$317.90  
Denied reimbursement for vehicle damage  
Real Estate Tax Refunds for Homestead  
Facility Rentals  
Fundraising Requests  
Disposal of Equipment  
Lawn Care for Campbell Field  
Electrical Service  
Natural Gas Supplier for 2000-2001  
Sabbatical Leave for Restoration of Health  
Change of Employment Status for Yvette Robinson from LTS to TPE  
Timothy Turner as LTS Science Instructor for the first semester  
Substitute Teachers and Nurses for Approval  
Superintendent's attendance to Professional Development Conference at Linden Hall  
Supplemental Resignations:  
Rotary Interact Club Sponsor  
Environmental Club Sponsor  
Senior High Intramural Sponsor  
Supplemental Appointments  
Mary McGrath Middle School Audio Visual Coordinator  
Eric Chalus Barrett Intramural Sponsor

Shawn McCallister Middle School Student Government Sponsor  
Bethany Fenyus & Stacy Stephenson SADD Co-Sponsors  
Jodi Knight Ironical Advisor  
Act 93 Agreement  
Participation as a Fellow in the Pennsylvania Education Policy Fellowship Program  
Unpaid leave of absence for Elva Cherep  
Designation of Special Legal Counsel