

Souderton Area School District

760 Lower Road
Souderton, PA 18964

Vice President Jack Parry called the meeting of the Souderton Area School District Board of School Directors to order on Thursday, May 11, 2006 at 7:34 PM in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was as follows:

PRESENT:	William J. Brong Tracy G. Cole Bernard S. Currie	Dr. Jack A. Parry Victor M. Verbeke
ABSENT:	Sharon J. Gehret Mark D. Leer	Eric R. MacDougall (Arrived at 8:05 PM) R. Bud Miller
SOLICITOR:	Jeffrey Sultanic, Esq.	

Also present at the meeting were: Louisa Abney-Babcock, Dr. Charles Amuso, Karen Berk, Brenda J. Bray, R. Bradley Clemens, Grace Eves, Frank Gallagher, Ellen Jamison, Glenn Keller, Steve Pollack, Laurie Reynolds, Gail Ryan, Jack Silva, Sam Varano, representatives from The Reporter, The Intelligencer, Radio Station WNPV and the public.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Charles D. Amuso, Ed.D.

STUDENT/SCHOOL RECOGNITION

Earthwatch Institute Winners

Dr. Amuso introduced Louisa Abney-Babcock, who spoke about the Earthwatch Institute and introduced the two student winners. Two Souderton Area High School students were selected to participate in the Earthwatch Institute's Student Challenge Program. These students will work and learn alongside inspiring professional scientists, discover how science and technology can advance their understanding of the world, and interact with talented and committed peers and mentors. The expeditions last 12-20 days between June 15th and August 15th. Awards cover all costs associated with the research, accommodations, and travel. Louisa Abney-Babcock is the staff facilitator for this program.

PETER BRICE – Astrophysics – Los Alamos National Laboratory, New Mexico
COURTNEY MELANSON – Queen Charlotte Sound and Rivers Inlet, British Columbia

Report of the Superintendent

STUDENT/SCHOOL RECOGNITION (continued)

Governor's School of Excellence Finalists

Ms. Abney-Babcock then introduced the Governor's School finalists and explained the program. Six Souderton Area High School students have been named as finalists, as well as one alternate, in the selection of candidates for the highly competitive Governor's School of Excellence Program. Students chosen for the Governor's School will spend four weeks this summer on a college campus studying in their chosen area of interest. She distributed a listing of all the finalists from 1998 to the present. Louisa Abney-Babcock is the staff facilitator for this program.

PETER BRICE – School of Sciences at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh
COURTNEY MELANSON – School of Agricultural Sciences at Penn State University
BRIAN PEDDIE – Alternate for School of Health Care at the University of Pittsburgh
VICTORIA PICCONE – School of Agricultural Sciences at Penn State University
ANDREW PULLEN - School of Agricultural Sciences at Penn State University
NATHAN SCHNECK – School of Health Care at the University of Pittsburgh
KEVIN SLOAN – School of Arts in Music at Mercyhurst College, Erie

Upon a motion by Mr. Verbeke, second by Mr. Currie, and on a vote of 5 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board recognize the Earthwatch Institute winners and the Governor's School of Excellence finalists for their accomplishments. **EXHIBIT A & B**

Dr. Amuso thanked the parents of both groups of students for their continued support.

Presidential Classroom Finalists

Dr. Amuso again introduced Ms. Abney-Babcock, who introduced the Presidential Classroom finalists who were in attendance. She indicated that four Souderton Area High School students have been selected to participate in the week-long Presidential Classroom experience in Washington, D.C. this summer. The students were selected by a committee of administrators and faculty members who interviewed the candidates and reviewed their academics, leadership skills, school activities and essays. Louisa Abney-Babcock is the staff facilitator for this program.

DANIEL BITNER
COURTNEY HAYDEN
BRIAN PEDDIE
DEANNA PRICE

Upon a motion by Mr. Brong, second by Mrs. Cole, and on a vote of 5 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board recognize the Presidential Classroom finalists for their accomplishment. **EXHIBIT C**

Dr. Amuso thanked the parents of both groups of students for their continued support.

Report of the Superintendent

Student/School/Staff Recognition (continued)

Recognition of National Teacher Day 2006

Dr. Amuso indicated that May 9, 2006, was National Teacher Day. This year's theme was: "Great Teachers Make Great Public Schools." He thanked all of our teachers for their hard work day in and day out.

There was a motion by Mrs. Cole, second by Mr. Brong.

Mrs. Cole indicated that she values the work of our teaching staff. They do a terrific job.

Mr. Verbeke added that in his visits to the schools, he has seen teachers in action. He complimented the teachers for their enthusiasm.

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 5 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board recognize the teaching staff and acknowledge May 9, 2006 as National Teacher Day 2006.

Requests for Conferences/Workshops

Dr. Amuso presented the requests for conferences and workshops, stating that they all conform to present administrative policy.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Cole, second by Mr. Verbeke, and on a vote of 5 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the conferences and workshops as listed:

PATRICIA BERGER
Science, Senior High School

Middle States Review
Coatesville, PA
May 10, 2006 (Wed.)
Est. Expenses: \$ 0.00
Sub. Expenses: 100.00
Total Expenses: \$100.00

KAREN HEISEY
Student Support Teacher
Salford Hills Elem.
DONNA HUFF
Principal, Lower Salford Elem.

Understanding and Helping Children
Who Struggle with Their Own Wiring
Chester, PA
May 17, 2006
Est. Expenses: \$805.00 (combined)
Sub. Expenses: 0.00
Total Expenses: \$805.00 (combined)

MARYELLEN MYERS
Principal, Salford Hills Elem.

LAURIE PLANK
Student Support Teacher, Lower Salford Elem.

GAIL RYAN
Director of Elementary Education

Report of the Superintendent

Requests for Conferences/Workshops (continued)

Requests conform to present administrative policy.

CAMILLE CASANI
CARS, Salford Hills Elem.

Celebrate Literacy – PA Writing and Literature
Project
West Chester, PA
June 27-28, 2006 (Tues.-Wed.)
Est. Expenses: \$185.00
Sub. Expenses: 0.00
Total Expenses: \$185.00

DR. CHARLES D. AMUSO

PSBA Law and Governance Summer Workshop
Lancaster, PA
July 14-16, 2006
Est. Expenses: \$567.00
Sub. Expenses: 0.00
Total Expenses: \$567.00

BETH HARBON
Second Grade, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.

Paid with 2005-2006 Title I funds.

Read! Read! Read! Motivating Your
Student to Read More
King of Prussia, PA
July 21, 2006 (Fri.)
Est. Expenses: \$179.00
Sub. Expenses: 0.00
Total Expenses: \$179.00

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Brenda J. Bray

School Board Minutes

Mrs. Bray presented the School Board Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2006 for approval..

Upon a motion by Mrs. Cole, second by Mr. Brong, and on a vote of 5 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the School Board Minutes of April 27, 2006 as presented.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Eric R. MacDougall

Dr. Parry presented the report in the absence of Mr. MacDougall.

An Executive Session was held May 4, 2006 to discuss personnel items. The meeting lasted 30 minutes.

Report of the President

An informational workshop on team building was held on May 4, 2006. The workshop lasted 120 minutes.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Grace Eves

Mrs. Eves presented the Financial Statements for April 2006 as an information item.

EDUCATION-PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mark D. Leer, Chairperson

Mr. Currie presented the Education-Personnel Committee report in the absence of Mr. Leer.

Committee Chairperson Report

The Education-Personnel Committee discussed the following at the May 3, 2006 meeting:

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Second Reading of Planned Courses/Textbooks/Materials

Mr. Currie reported that the following topics were discussed:

- a. Rocks and Minerals Kit for Instruction of Grade 3 Science
- b. Planned Course Revisions and New Textbooks: Algebra 1A and Algebra 1B
- c. Revision of Planned Courses: Academic English – A Two-Year Program for Grade 6 and Grade 7
- d. Textbook for Advanced Placement Literature
- e. Textbook for Multicultural Foods

Mr. Currie highlighted the discussion items and explained the different course topics and textbook selections that were presented for a second reading. He referenced the minutes of the May 3rd meeting.

Mr. Currie recommended that these items go on to the next Board meeting for a third reading and approval except for the planned course revisions and new textbooks for the Algebra 1A and Algebra 1B courses. He suggested that the committee should revisit this item at the next Education-Personnel Committee meeting and discuss the success or lack of success of the program. Mr. Currie asked the curriculum office to come up with a detailed plan of accountability for discussion at the next meeting.

(NOTE: Mr. MacDougall arrived at this point – 8:05 PM)

Mr. Brong questioned if Pre-Algebra was still offered.

Mr. Silva responded that Pre-Algebra is offered in grades 8 and 9. This revision in the courses allows the pacing and alignment to stretch out.

Education-Personnel Committee

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Second Reading of Planned Courses/Textbooks/Materials (continued)

Mr. Verbeke added that he agreed with Mr. Currie's recommendation. He felt the committee and Board needed to take a good long look at this recommendation.

Mr. Silva asked for a bit more direction from the Board. He indicated that he had met with the subject coordinators and talked about how to formulate evaluations of courses. He cautioned that we would need to move slowly to come up with a tool that would cover all courses.

Mrs. Cole indicated that she felt the Board should give the Directors of Curriculum and Instruction full reign to come up with a way to determine if a course is adequate in the evaluation. She recommended that the Board consider the administration's recommendations instead of slowing down the process.

Dr. Parry indicated that he felt Mr. Currie's recommendation is what Board members are supposed to do. He feels the administration would carefully consider their recommendations.

Mr. Currie suggested that this course serve as a model for future course measurements. He indicated that the superintendent should know if a course is successful marking period by marking period, not three years down the road.

Mr. Silva mentioned that there are standards for program evaluation that should be applied, and he felt the Board should be cautious.

Mr. Currie again recommended that the Algebra 1A and Algebra 1B planned course revisions be returned to the Education-Personnel Committee for discussion.

Mr. MacDougall also recommended that these revisions go back for further discussion.

Dr. Amuso agreed that the committee should discuss further and also be discussed by the administration prior to the next Education-Personnel Committee meeting.

Mr. MacDougall questioned what the right tool would be for evaluation.

Mr. Silva responded that it may take some time to put together an evaluation tool, but discussion would begin at the next committee meeting.

Project 4 – High School Transition

Mr. Currie reported on the presentation made by the high school administration regarding Project 4. This program calls for high school administration and staff to rethink high school configuration. Several of the high school administration had attended conferences on Project 720 and how it is becoming a national issue. This is a work in progress and the Board will be updated as the high school administrative team develops the program.

Education-Personnel Committee

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Mr. Currie also shared that at the last meeting, the question was raised about science fair participation by students. This topic will also be discussed at the next Education-Personnel Committee meeting.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Mr. Currie presented the Professional Staff retirements, request for childrearing leave, recommendation for employment; Support Staff resignation, transfers and recommendations for employment, plus the addendum items as listed for approval.

Upon a motion by Mr. Currie, second by Mr. Brong, and on a vote of 6 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the personnel items as listed, including the items listed on the addendum:

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Retirements

PETER HEMPERLY

Vocal Music Teacher, Indian Valley
Effective: End of School Year 2005-2006
Employed by SASD: 34 years

SUSAN UNZICKER

First Grade, Franconia Elem.
Effective: End of 2005-2006 school year
Employed by SASD: 27 years

Request for Childrearing Leave

ALISON KIRCHER

Social Studies, Indian Crest Junior High
Beginning November 20, 2006 through the end of the 2006-2007 school year.
Mrs. Kircher is planning to return to work for the beginning of the 2007-2008 school year.

Recommendation for Employment

GLEN POEHLMANN

Replacement for
Pat Manni (retired)

Education
West Chester Univ. (BS) 1981

General Music, Franconia Elem.
PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE
Beginning: 2006-2007 school year

Experience
2005-2006-SASD-Franconia Elem.-Music (LTS)
2004-2005-William Penn S. D.-Walnut Street
Elem.-Music
2003-2004-Allentown S. D.-Part-Time Music Teacher
1997-2003-Pastor of Music and Worship
1983-1987-Central Bucks S. D.-Instrumental Music

Recommended Salary

\$40,693 – B+24 (2)

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

SUPPORT STAFF

Resignations

MATTHEW CODY

Part-Time Custodian, Franconia Elem.
Effective: May 26, 2006

SEAN T. FITZGERALD

Part-Time Custodian, Franconia Elem.
Effective: May 5, 2006

ANDREW ROBBINS

Part-Time Custodial Substitute
Effective: May 5, 2006

Transfers

ROSEMARY DILLON

Replacement for Pat Walsh
(resigned)

From: Learning Support Aide, West Broad Elem.
To: Learning Support Aide, Indian Valley
Beginning: May 4, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$9.73
Hours: 5.5 per day

MATTHEW FREED

Replacement for Joshua Gehret
(resigned)

From: Custodial Substitute
To: Part-Time Custodian, Senior High School
Beginning: May 4, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96
Hours: 4 per day

JENNIFER HARRISON

Replacement for
Rosemary Dillon (transfer)

From: One-on-One Autistic Support Aide, West Broad
To: Learning Support Aide, West Broad Elem.
Beginning May 4, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$9.48
Hours: 5.5 per day

CASSANDRA HURST

Replacement for
Matt Nagel (transfer)

From: Custodial Substitute
To: Part-Time Custodian, West Broad Elem.
Beginning: May 4, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96
Hours: 4 per day

MATT NAGEL

Replacement for
Eddie Ferriter (resigned)

From: Part-Time Custodian, West Broad Elem.
To: Part-Time Custodian, Senior High School
Beginning: May 4, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96
Hours: 4 per day

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

SUPPORT STAFF (continued)

Transfers (continued)

MICHAEL STUART

Replacement for
Stephen Buck (resigned)

From: Custodial Substitute
To: Part-Time Custodian, Lower Salford Elem.
Beginning May 4, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96
Hours: 4 per day

Recommendations for Employment

TYLER ARCARO

Custodial Substitute
Beginning: May 17, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96
Hours: 4 per day

JORDAN BARTOS

Replacement for
Sean Fitzgerald (resigned)

Part-Time Custodian, Franconia Elem.
Beginning: May 12, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96
Hours: 4 per day

MICHAEL CAPKO

Summer Custodial Substitute
Beginning: June 16, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96 per hour
Hours: 8 per day

KEVIN ESHBACH

Summer Custodial Substitute
Beginning: June 16, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96 per hour
Hours: 8 per day

BRAD KOLB

Summer Custodial Substitute
Beginning: June 16, 2006
Hourly Rate: \$8.96 per hour
Hours: 8 per day

KAREN MacCAULEY

New position approved
by the Board on April 11, 2006

Learning Support Aide, Vernfield Elem.
Effective: May 12, 2006 until the end of the
2005-2006 school year
Hourly Rate: \$9.08
Hours: 5.5 per day

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

SUPPORT STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

SUSAN MILLER Replacement for Jacqueline Krail (resigned)	Secretary to the Supervisors of Special Education, District Office Beginning: To be determined Hourly Rate: \$12.61 Hours: 7.5 per day
SEAN O'DONNELL	Summer Custodial Substitute Beginning: June 16, 2006 Hourly Rate: \$8.96 per hour Hours: 8 per day
KRISTIN RUFF	Substitute Cafeteria/Playground Aide Lower Salford Elementary Beginning: May 4, 2006 Hourly Rate: \$9.05 Hours: as needed

The next Education-Personnel Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2006 at 7:30 PM in the Souderton Area School District Administrative Offices, Lowell A. Tinner Board Room, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

NORTH MONTCO TECHNICAL CAREER CENTER

Sharon Gehret and William Brong, Representatives

No report.

The next Joint Operating Committee meeting will be held on Monday, May 15, 2006 at 7:30 PM at the North Montco Technical Career Center, Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Ralph "Bud" Miller, Chairperson

Mr. Brong reported in the absence of Mr. Miller.

Committee Chairperson Report

Proposed agenda items for the May 17, 2006 Operations Committee meeting will be, but not limited to the following:

- Bids for Indian Crest Mechanical Equipment Replacements
- New High School Project

Operations Committee

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

Requests for Use of School Facilities

Prevailing rates, conforming to present policy.

FRANCONIA

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Montgomery County

Library

May 10, 17, 24, 31, and June 7, 2006

3:30PM – 4:45PM

Good News Club

Certificate of Insurance on file

HIGH SCHOOL

Eastern PA Youth Soccer Association

JV Soccer Fields

May 7, 21, and June 4, 9, 13, 20 27, 2006

10:00AM – 1:00PM

Soccer Practice

Certificate of Insurance on file

Harrington Village Community Association

Auditorium

June 5, 2006

7:00PM – 9:00PM

Homeowner's Association Meeting

Certificate of Insurance on file

INDIAN CREST

Tri-Valley Power Walk & Power Run

Thoroughfare / Driveway

June 10, 2006

9:00AM – 10:30AM

Power Walk/Run course

Certificate of Insurance on file

INDIAN VALLEY

ACT Test Administration

Library & C Wing Classrooms

January 27, 2007

8:00AM – 12:00PM

Math Testing

Certificate of Insurance pending

Operations Committee

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

Requests for Use of School Facilities (continued)

Prevailing rates, conforming to present policy.

OAK RIDGE

Harleysville Soccer Association
School Athletic Fields
July 1 thru November 30, 2006
6:30PM – Dark
Soccer Practice
Certificate of Insurance on file

VERNFIELD

Harleysville Soccer Association
School Athletic Fields
July 1 thru November 30, 2006
6:30PM – Dark
Soccer Practice
Certificate of insurance on file

New High School Project Update

Mr. Brong indicated that the school district has received all of the approvals necessary to proceed with the project. The seven prime contractors have received their “Notice to Proceed.” One contractor needs to complete paperwork. The groundbreaking ceremony is schedule for June 1, 2006.

Mr. Pollack briefly highlighted the pre-construction meeting that took place last week. The meeting was scheduled to go over administrative items. There will also be a pre-construction meeting involving Franconia Township officials and all the utility contractors. He indicated that there needs to be a coordination of utility services.

Dr. Parry asked when Lower Road, between Allentown Road and Schoolhouse Road, would be transformed.

Mr. Pollack indicated that Franconia Township plans to soften the curves on Lower Road. He mentioned that none of the major work on the road would begin until 2007. Utility poles need to be moved first.

Dr. Parry indicated that he felt the road should be widened for safety.

TRANSPORTATION

No report.

Finance Committee

2006-2007 Budget (continued)

Dr. Parry opened the floor for questions regarding the functions listed from the 2006-2007 budget. These functions were discussed at the last Finance Committee meeting.

Dr. Parry indicated that Mr. Currie had asked a question at the last Finance meeting about an explanation of the technology budget. Specifically the technology hardware, software, and instructional needs. He also noted that there was a rise in special education expenses.

Mrs. Berk indicated that the numbers were realistic numbers, students currently in the programs and anticipated new students.

Dr. Parry indicated that the entire budget would be discussed at the next Finance Committee meeting.

Technology Report

Dr. Parry indicated that Mr. Roberts had presented the Technology Budget at the last Finance Committee meeting. He mentioned that he had hoped there would be a clearer report to clarify the financial information.

Mr. MacDougall questioned if Mr. Roberts could clarify his presentation as to how technology ties into the curriculum and instruction.

Dr. Parry indicated that he would like to see how technology integrates into the budget. He asked for a long range plan for the Technology Department and also a clearer explanation of the numbers of this year's budget.

Mr. MacDougall suggested that Mr. Roberts return to the next Finance Committee meeting to clarify questions and information.

Mr. Currie mentioned that he had read the technology report and it was hard to understand. He felt the report needed measurement and clarification.

Dr. Amuso indicated that a clearer summarization would be available for May 17th.

Recommendation to Approve the 2006-2007 Preliminary Budget for the Souderton Area School District with Expenditures Totaling \$91,201,418

The Preliminary Budget for 2006-2007 includes the proposed expenditures only, as required by the School Code, and will be available for public inspection and placed on the Souderton Area School District Website. This budget will be reviewed at the following public meetings:

Finance Committee Meetings – May 17, May 31, June 14, 2006

Regular meetings of the Board of School Directors – May 25 and June 8, 2006

The adoption of the final budget and setting of the tax rates is scheduled for the regular meeting of the Board of School Directors on June 22, 2006.

Finance Committee

Recommendation to Approve the 2006-2007 Preliminary Budget for the Souderton Area School District with Expenditures Totaling \$91,201,418 (continued)

Mrs. Bray presented a PowerPoint presentation on the preliminary budget. She explained that revenue is received from the state, federal and local sources. Local and state revenue will increase for 2006-2007, while federal funds will decrease by \$102,031. She indicated that the figures are the best to our knowledge since the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has not yet passed their budget. The federal government is cutting \$18 billion from their 2007 budget by cutting 42 educational programs.

Mrs. Bray highlighted the items included in the expenditure budget. 2006-2007 expenditures are expected to increase this year by \$5,174,080. She indicated that the difference between revenue and expenditures would be closed by increased revenues, decreased expenditures and use of fund balance.

The preliminary budget will be placed on the Souderton Area School District Website tomorrow if approved by the Board. Further discussions will take place at Finance Committee meetings on May 17, May 31 and June 14, and at Board meetings on May 25 and June 8. Final adoption is scheduled for June 22, 2006.

Mr. Sultanik stated that the vote tonight on the preliminary budget is a requirement of the Pennsylvania School Code.

Dr. Parry indicated that the Board needs to discuss and focus on the budget and not the tax increase. House Bill 39 will be discussed later this year and no one knows how this will affect us.

Mr. MacDougall agreed that we don't know what the state will pass. It has been a challenging budget season. The Board needs to look at the exemptions that we can qualify for.

Dr. Parry indicated that he felt there has been healthy discussion about the budget. The Board needs to make recommendations to the administration where cuts need to be made.

Dr. Amuso expressed his appreciation for the discussion that has taken place at the recent meetings. He acknowledged Mrs. Bray and her staff for their work on the budget. We are looking at the Preliminary budget now and will continue to look at the figures through the month of May.

Dr. Parry commented that final adoption is slated for June 22, 2006.

Upon a motion by Dr. Parry, second by Mrs. Cole, and on a vote of 6 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the 2006-2007 Preliminary Budget for the Souderton Area School District with expenditures totaling \$91,201,418. **EXHIBIT D**

The next Finance Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2006 at 5:30 PM in the Souderton Area School District Administrative Offices, Lowell A. Tinner Board Room, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Tracy Cole, Chairperson

Committee Chairperson Report

Mrs. Cole indicated that the third reading of the Student Wellness Policy will take place at the next Policy Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 17, 2006 at 6:30 PM in the Souderton Area School District Administrative Offices, Lowell A. Tinner Board Room, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Tracy G. Cole, Representative

Mr. Cole mentioned that there will be a MCIU Board retreat coming up on May 24, 2006.

INDIAN VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Victor M. Verbeke, Representative

No report.

FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Tracy Cole, Representative

Mrs. Cole indicated that the House will be voting on \$7 billion in cuts, which will affect 42 educational programs. She mentioned that legislators were being encouraged to vote no on this resolution.

STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Dr. Jack A. Parry, Representative

Dr. Parry indicated that Special Session Bill #33 did not pass. The legislators will pick up discussions again after elections.

FEDERAL PROJECTS

Dr. John Eells, Coordinator

Audit/Monitoring Reports

Dr. Amuso reported that the federal government was in the district for an audit a few days ago. We passed the audit with no deficiencies.

REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR

No report.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Lackler, from Upper Salford Township, asked a question about committee procedures when moving a committee agenda item on for approval.

Mr. MacDougall announced that there would be an Executive Session following the Board meeting to discussion personnel items.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, there was a motion by Dr. Parry, second by Mr. Brong, and on a vote of 6 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the adjournment of the meeting at 9:20 PM.

SOUDERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Brenda Jones Bray
Secretary