

**Souderton Area School District**

760 Lower Road  
Souderton, PA 18964

A meeting of the Souderton Area School Board was held Thursday, July 28, 2005 at 8:07 PM at the District Administrative Office in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room. The meeting was called to order by President Richard Swartley.

The roll call was as follows:

PRESENT:	Tracy Cole	R. Bud Miller
	Sharon Gehret	Dr. Jack Parry
	Heidi Johnson	Richard Swartley
	Mark Leer	Richard Thompson
ABSENT:	Eric MacDougall	
SOLICITOR:	Jeffrey Sultanik, Esq.	

Also present at the meeting were Dr. Charles Amuso, Karen Berk, Brad Clemens, Dr. Bob Hollister, Ellen Jamison, Glenn Keller, Steve Pollack, Jack Silva, Stan Wisler, representatives from the Souderton Independent, The Reporter, Station WNPV Radio, and the public.

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Charles D. Amuso, Ed.D.

Requests to Attend Conferences/Workshops

Dr. Amuso presented the conferences/workshops listed below for approval, stating that they conform to district administrative policy.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Cole, second by Mrs. Gehret, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the requests for conferences/workshops as listed:

<b>ROSEMARY BROOKE</b>	Penn State National Autism Conference
Special Education Aide, Vernfield Elem.	State College, PA
<b>PAULA OERTH</b>	August 1-5, 2005 (Mon.-Fri.)
Special Education Aide, Indian Valley	Est. Expenses: \$1,000.00 (combined)
	Sub. Expenses: <u>0.00</u>
Paid through IDEA funds.	Total Expenses: \$1,000.00 (combined)

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY**

Stan Wisler

School Board Minutes

Action on School Board Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2005 will take place at the August 11, 2005 School Board meeting.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Richard Swartley

An Executive Session of the Board was held on July 14, 2005 to discuss personnel items. The meeting lasted 90 minutes.

An Executive Session of the Board was held this evening prior to the Board meeting to discuss personnel issues. The meeting lasted 30 minutes.

Appointment of Three Voting Delegates to Participate in the PSBA Legislative Policy Council Meeting

Mr. Swartley asked the Board for volunteers to attend the PSBA School Leadership Conference in Hershey and also serve as the voting delegates. The meeting will be held on Thursday, October 27, 2005 in Hershey.

Mrs. Gehret, Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Johnson volunteered.

Upon a motion by Dr. Parry, second by Mr. Miller, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board appoint Mrs. Gehret, Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Johnson as the three voting delegates to participate in the PSBA Legislative Policy Council meeting on October 27, 2005.

**EXHIBIT A**

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

Donna Bennis-Devlin

Approval of the Financial Statements and Check Listing for June 2005

Mr. Wisler presented the financial statements and check listing for June 2005.

There was a motion by Mrs. Gehret, second by Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Swartley asked if there would be additional revenue coming in for the 2004-2005 school year and if we will reach the budgeted expenditure total?

Mr. Wisler indicated that there would be a receivables amount for the 2004-2005 school year. Current projections reflect that the district will not spend the total amount budgeted on the expenditures side.

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

Report of the Treasurer

Approval of the Financial Statements and Check Listing for June 2005 (continued)

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2005 as presented.  
**EXHIBIT B**

**EDUCATION-PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Richard Thompson, Chairperson

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Second Reading of Planned Courses

Mr. Thompson indicated that French IV and French V were presented as a second reading of planned courses.

Third Reading and Final Approval of Textbooks

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mrs. Johnson, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the third reading and grant final approval for the textbooks listed, and also the request for the out-of-state field trip as noted:

- a. Sixth Grade Math
- b. Seventh Grade Math
- c. Word Processing
- d. School Store Operations
- e. Geometry
- f. Conceptual Physics
- g. Honors Trigonometry/Pre-Calculus
- h. Calculus

Request for Out-of-State Field Trip

- a. Souderton Area High School – German Classes – Grades 10-12  
Date: October 29, 2005 (Saturday)  
Destination: New York City, NY  
Purpose of Trip: To view German art at the Frick Collection and at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and then have a German dinner at the Heidelberg Restaurant.  
Number of Students: 33  
Number of Teachers/Staff: 5  
Other Chaperones: 6  
Teacher in Charge of Trip: F. Neil Lindenfelser  
Trip Financed: Paid by students

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Mr. Thompson congratulated Dr. Hollister on his new position, and shared that the district will miss him.

Resignation

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Miller, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board accept the resignation of Dr. Hollister as noted:

**DR. ROBERT HOLLISTER**                      Director of Pupil Services  
Effective: September 23, 2005

Recommendation for Employment

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Miller, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the employment of Grace Eves as Assistant Business Manager as noted:

<b>GRACE EVES</b>	Assistant Business Manager, District Office
Replacement for	<b>ACT 93 EMPLOYEE GROUP</b>
Donna Devlin (resigned)	Beginning: August 15, 2005
<u>Education</u>	<u>Experience</u>
Ursinus College (B.B.A.) 2005	Feb. 2000-Present-Spring-Ford S. D.-Bookkeeper
	Aug. 1999-Feb. 2000-Spring-Ford S.D.- Accounts Payable
	Sept. 1991-Aug. 2000-Spring-Ford S.D.- Instructional Assistant
	June 1989-Sept. 1991-First Union Bank- Bank Teller

Recommended Salary

\$61,579 (pro-rated)

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mrs. Johnson, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the Professional Staff retirement, resignations, transfers, and recommendations for employment as listed:

Retirement

**LINDA C. WINOKUR**                      Third Grade, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.  
Effective: End of 2004-2005 school year  
Employed by SASD: 32 years

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF (continued)

Resignations

**MARK D. JAMES**

Seventh Grade Math, Indian Valley M. S.  
Effective: July 25, 2005

**MICHAEL PAPENBERG**

Health/Physical Education, Salford Hills Elem.  
and E. M. Crouthamel Elem. (LTS)  
Effective: July 21, 2005

Transfers

**DEBRA DiCONDINA-FLEMING**

From: Full-Time Kindergarten, Franconia Elem.  
To: .5 Kindergarten, Franconia Elem. and  
.5 Kindergarten, Lower Salford Elem.  
Effective: 2005-2006 school year

**CHRISTINE MAINE**

Voluntary reclassification of  
employment status.

From: Kindergarten, Vernfield Elem.  
To: .5 Kindergarten, Vernfield Elem.  
Beginning: 2005-2006 school year

**ELIZABETH STONE**

Replacement for  
Carol Opdyke (resigned)

From: First Grade, West Broad Street Elem.  
To: CARS, West Broad Street Elem.  
**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE**  
Beginning: 2005-2006 school year

Education

Penn State Univ. (B.S.) 2001  
Arcadia Univ. (M. Ed.) 2005

Experience

2001-2005-SASD-West Broad Street Elem.-  
First Grade

Recommendations for Employment

**ALEXANDRA ALMAGUER**

Replacement for  
Brooke Clemmer (childrearing)

First Grade, Vernfield Elem.

**LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE**

Effective: Approximately the second week of  
September through the end of the 2005-2006  
school year

Education

Arcadia Univ. (B.A.) 2003

Experience

May-June 2005-SASD-Vernfield Elem.  
Fourth Grade (extended per diem substitute)  
2003-May 2005-SASD-Vernfield Elem.-Title V  
Aide Language Arts and Math

Recommended Salary

\$36,050 – B (1) (pro-rated)

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

**HEIDI BUTCHER**

Replacement for  
Thomas Moll (transfer)

Education

Gettysburg College (B.A.) 1980  
Wilkes Univ. (M.S.) 2002

French Teacher, Indian Crest Jr. High

**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE**

Beginning: 2005-2006 school year

Experience

1998-2005-Pottsgrove S. D.-Pottsgrove M. S.  
French  
2001-2005-Pottsgrove S. D.-Foreign Language  
Department Head  
1997-1998-SASD-Senior High School-Part-Time  
French  
1996-1998-SASD-Elementary School French  
Club Teacher

Recommended Salary

\$47,060 – M (5)

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**LAUREN CANNING**

Replacement for  
Darren Smith (transfer)

Education

Bloomsburg (B.S.) 2001

Fifth Grade, Franconia Elem.

**TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**

Beginning: 2005-2006 school year

Experience

2004-2005-SASD-Franconia Elem.-Fifth Grade (LTS)  
Sept. 2003-June 2004-SASD-Franconia Elem.  
Title I Aide and Building Substitute  
May-June 2004-SASD-Franconia Elem.  
Fifth Grade (extended per diem substitute)  
2002-2003-Central Bucks S. D.-Doyle Elem.-  
Second Grade (LTS)

Recommended Salary

\$37,477 – B+12 (2)

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**JAMES CHAIKOWSKY**

Replacement for  
Norm Eschbach (retired)

Education

California Univ. (B.S.) 1995  
Wilkes Univ. (M.S.) 2005

Technology Education, Indian Crest Jr. High

**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE**

Beginning: 2005-2006 school year

Experience

1998-2005-Bethlehem Area S. D.-East Hills  
M. S.-Industrial Arts/Technology Ed.

Recommended Salary

\$47,060 – M (5)

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

<b>BRENDA CLARK</b> Replacement for Autumn Wright (childrearing) <u>Education</u> Temple Univ. (B.S.) 1991	Fourth Grade, Franconia Elem. <b>LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE</b> Effective: First semester of 2005-2006 school year <u>Experience</u> Oct. 2004-June 2005-SASD-Franconia Elem. Building Substitute and Per Diem Substitute 2003-2004-SASD-Franconia Elem.-Title I Language Arts Assistant 2002-2003-SASD-E. M. Crouthamel Elem. and Franconia Elem.-Title V Math Assistant 2001-2002-Pennridge S. D.-Substitute Teacher 1990-2001-Grandview Hospital Children's Center-Pre-school Teacher <u>Recommended Salary</u> \$18,025 – B (1)
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<b>MARGARET DEL BROCCO</b> Replacement for Kathy Madden (transfer) <u>Education</u> State College at Buffalo, NY (B.S.) 1983 Adelphi Univ. NY (M.S.) 1988	Learning Support Intermediate, Lower Salford Elem. <b>TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL</b> Beginning: 2005-2006 school year <u>Experience</u> 2004-2005-SASD-Lower Salford Elem.-Learning Support (LTS) Feb.-June 2004-SASD-Franconia Elem. and Indian Valley M. S.-Part-Time Learning Support Sept. 2003-Jan. 2004-SASD-E. M. Crouthamel Elem. Title I Aide Mar. 2001-2003-Vita Education Service, Doylestown, PA-Tutor Program Coordinator 1999-2000-SASD-West Broad Street Elem.- Learning Support (LTS) 1998-1999-Central Bucks S. D.-Tamanend M. S. Reading and Study Skills 1995-1998-Leonardo da Vince Intermediate School NY-Reading Teacher <u>Recommended Salary</u> \$45,240 – M+12 (3)
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Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

**KRISTIN DIAZ** Fifth Grade, Oak Ridge Elem.  
Replacement for **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Catherine Balzer (transfer) Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
West Chester Univ. (B.S.) 2000 2004-2005-SASD-Oak Ridge Elem.-Fifth Grade (LTS)  
2002-2003-Chester Community Charter School  
Fifth Grade  
2000-2002-St. George Parish School, Glenolden  
Second Grade  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,500 – B (2)

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**JOHN FRANZEN** Elementary Technology, Lower Salford Elem.  
Replacement for and Vernfield Elem.  
Jennifer Kling (childrearing) **LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE**  
Effective: First semester, 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Muhlenberg College (B.A.) 2003 2004-2005-SASD-Oak Ridge Elem.-Title I Math Aide  
2003-2004-SASD-Oak Ridge Elem./Vernfield Elem.  
Title V Math Aide  
Recommended Salary  
\$18,025 – B (1)

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**NOVA HOSTETTER** Kindergarten, West Broad Street Elem.  
Replacement for **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Brian Cote (transfer) Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
East Stroudsburg (B.S.) 2002 2004-2005-SASD-West Broad Street Elem.  
Kindergarten (LTS)  
Feb.-June 2004-SASD-West Broad Street Elem.  
Title I Aide  
Sept. 2003-Feb. 2004-SASD-Per Diem Extended and  
Daily Substitute  
Sept. 2002-Jan. 2003-New Hope/Solebury S.D.  
Sixth Grade (LTS)  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,500 – B (2)

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

**CAROLYN KNOWER** Third Grade, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.  
Replacement for **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Linda Winokur (retired) Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Delaware Valley College (B.S.) Dec. 2004-June 2005-SASD-E. M. Crouthamel  
1986 Elem.-Fourth Grade (LTS)  
Chestnut Hill College (Certif.) Sept.-Dec. 2004-SASD-E. M. Crouthamel  
2002 Elem.-Title I Language Arts Aide  
2003-2004-SASD-E. M. Crouthamel Elem. and  
Franconia Elem.-Title V Math Aide  
2001-2003-North Penn S.D. and SASD-  
Substitute Teacher  
Recommended Salary  
\$38,368 – B+24 (1)

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**JILL KODER** First Grade, West Broad Street Elem.  
Replacement for **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Anthony Molettiere (transfer) Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Bloomsburg Univ. (B.S.) 2002 2004-2005-SASD-West Broad Street Elem.-  
First Grade (LTS)  
2003-2004 Palisades S.D.-Springfield Elem.  
First Grade (LTS)  
Mar.-June 2003-Central Bucks S. D.-Mill Creek  
Elem.-Building Substitute  
Sept. 2002-Mar. 2003-Central Bucks S. D.-  
Per Diem Substitute  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,500 – B (2)

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**JESSICA LANDIS** Third Grade, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.  
.5 Kindergarten reduction Franconia Elem. **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
.5 Kindergarten reduction Lower Salford Elem. Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Penn State Univ. (B.S.) 2005 Spring 2005-Central Bucks S. D.-Mill Creek  
Elem.-Second Grade-Student Teacher  
Fall 2004-Milton S. D.-Milton Elem.-Third Grade  
Student Teacher  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,050 – B (1)

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

**BRIAN PENDERGHEST** Health/Physical Ed., Salford Hills Elem.  
and E. M. Crouthamel Elem.  
Replacement for **LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE**  
Andrea Lystad (childrearing) Effective: 2005-2006 school year  
Michael Papenberg (resigned)  
Education Experience  
Ursinus College (B.S.) 2002 2004-2005-North Penn S.D.-Permanent  
Substitute Teacher  
Jan.-Apr. 2004-Wissahickon S.D.-Wissahickon  
M. S.-Physical Education (LTS)  
Feb. 2003-Dec. 2003-North Penn S. D. and  
SASD-Substitute Teacher  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,050 – B (1)

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**ALYSSA PICARD** Social Studies – Sixth Grade, Indian Valley M. S.  
Replacement for **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Rebecca Smith (resigned) Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
St. Joseph's Univ. (B.S.) 2001 2004-2005-SASD-Indian Valley M. S.-Social  
Studies (LTS)  
2001-2004-Holy Trinity Catholic School-Bridgeport  
Seventh and Eighth Grades  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,500 – B (2)

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**KATELYN SEESTEDT** Fifth Grade, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.  
Replacement for **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Karen Masters (retired) Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Penn State Univ. (B.S.) 2005 Aug. 2004-June 2005-State College Area S.D.  
Third Grade Internship – Student Teacher  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,050 – B (1)

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

PROFESSIONAL STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

**JESSICA A. STYER** ESL, Lower Salford Elem.  
Replacement for **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Bonnie Lindsay (resigned) Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Messiah College (B.S.) 2001 2004-2005-United Nations Children's Center  
New York, NY-Pre-school Teacher  
2002-2004-The Lincoln School- Guadalajara  
Mexico-Fourth Grade  
2001-2002-Allentown S.D.-Sheridan Elem.-Third  
Grade (LTS)  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,565 – B+12 (1)

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**NICKOLE TROUT** Guidance, Indian Crest Jr. High  
Replacement for **LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE**  
Michael Rucinski (medical leave) Effective: First Semester, 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Shippensburg Univ. (B.A.) 1999 2003-2005-Lakeside Educational Network  
Eastern Univ. (M.A.) 2003 North Penn S. D.-Mainstay Counselor  
Spring 2003-SASD-Senior High School-Internship  
Recommended Salary  
\$19,823 – M (1)

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**JENNIFER WORTHINGTON** ESL Teacher, Oak Ridge Elem. and  
New position per 2005-2006 Salford Hills Elem.  
budget. **TEMPORARY PROFESSIONAL**  
Beginning: 2005-2006 school year  
Education Experience  
Eastern Mennonite Univ. (B.A.) 2003-2005-SASD-Franconia Elem. and  
2000 E. M. Crouthamel Elem.-ESL teaching Assistant  
2002-2003-SASD-Substitute Teacher  
2000-2002-Salford Mennonite Child Care Center  
Pre-Kindergarten Teacher  
Recommended Salary  
\$36,050 – B (1)

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

SUPPORT STAFF

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mrs. Gehret, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the Support Staff retirements, resignations and recommendations for employment as listed:

Retirements

**MARIANNE CLEMMER**

Title I Assistant - Language Arts, West Broad Elem.  
Effective: June 13, 2005  
Employed by SASD: 12 years

**ELIZABETH RUDOLPH**

Building Secretary, Salford Hills Elem.  
Effective: July 29, 2005  
Employed by SASD: 14 years

Resignations

**TYLER ARCARO**

Part-Time Custodian, Oak Ridge Elem.  
Effective: August 23, 2005

**NICOLE BROXTERMAN**

Special Education Aide, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.  
Effective: July 21, 2005

**MICHAEL CAPKO**

Part-Time Custodian, Indian Valley M. S.  
Effective: August 19, 2005

**TRICIA KEIPER**

Attendance Clerk, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.  
Effective: July 21, 2005

**PAM TAYLOR**

Cafeteria Aide, Salford Hills Elem.  
Effective: July 18, 2005

Recommendations for Employment

**LAURA BRETZ**

Food Service Substitute  
Beginning: September 6, 2005  
Hourly Rate: \$8.51 per hour  
Hours: As needed

**HEATHER CARNEY**

Food Service Substitute  
Beginning: September 6, 2005  
Hourly Rate: \$8.51 per hour  
Hours: As needed

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

SUPPORT STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

<b>DAVID P. FELLMAN, SR.</b>	Food Service District Warehouse Assistant
Replacement for Ray Landis	Beginning: August 23, 2005
and Terry Croisette (resigned	Hourly Rate: \$9.15 per hour
from part-time Food Service	Hours: As needed
position.)	

Recommendation to Approve the Three-Year Agreement of the Coaching Salary Plan

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Miller, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the three-year agreement of the Coaching Salary Plan for school years 2005-2006, 2006-2007, and 2007-2008 as presented. **EXHIBIT C**

The next Education-Personnel Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 3, 2005 at 7:30 PM in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room of the Souderton Area School District Administrative Office Building, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

**NORTH MONTCO TECHNICAL CAREER CENTER**

Sharon Gehret and Ralph "Bud" Miller, Representatives

No report.

The next meeting of the Joint Operating Committee Board will be held on Monday, August 15, 2005 at 7:30 PM in the Administrative Conference Room at the North Montco Technical Career Center, 1265 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA.

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

R. "Bud" Miller, Chairperson

**BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE**

Requests for Use of School Facilities

Prevailing rates, conforming to present policy.

**The Dance Centre**

Indian Crest Junior High School

Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday – June 13, 14, 17 & 18, 2006

Dance Concert

Class 6 - Insurance Certificate - custodial overtime, \$24/hour & \$32/hour - auditorium rental \$800, band room & choral room. \$35/each, air conditioning \$25/hour (if used) sound system, lighting system, projector/screen

Operations Committee

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS

Requests for Use of School Facilities (continued)

Prevailing rates, conforming to present policy.

**PA Performing Arts Academy**

Senior High School

Friday & Saturday, June 23 & 24, 2006

Musical "Wizard Of Oz"

Class 6 - Insurance Certificate - custodial overtime, \$24/hour - auditorium rental \$800/each, classroom \$75/each, light tech, \$10/hour, sound tech \$10/hour, air conditioning \$25/hour (if used) - (2) chairs, (2) tables, piano, sound system, lighting system, spotlight

**Indian Valley Basketball Club**

Vernfield Elementary School

Wednesdays, October 1, 2005 - March 15, 2006

Basketball practice & games

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate

**Souderton Aquatic Club**

Senior High School

Mondays through Saturdays, September 19, 2005 through March 19, 2006

Practice & Meets

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - custodial overtime \$24/hour, supervisor \$15.50/hour, guard \$11/hour, sound system, lighting system, scoreboard

Award Contract for Lower Salford Paving/Site Improvements

Upon a motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Leer, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board award the Lower Salford paving/site improvements to R. J. Sell (Pennsburg) in the amount of \$251,600 over two-years as presented.

**EXHIBIT D**

Recommendation to Approve Fuel Bid Recommendations - Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Joint Purchase Bid

There was a motion by Mr. Miller, second by Dr. Parry.

Mrs. Johnson asked if the one bid had been listed incorrectly, as was reviewed at the Operations Committee meeting.

Mr. Pollack indicated that Farm and Home Oil made the mistake when they submitted the bid. The mistake was not an error on the part of the Intermediate Unit.

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the fuel bid recommendations from the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Joint Purchase Bid.

**EXHIBIT E**

Operations Committee

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

New High School Project Update

Mr. Miller indicated that there was a public hearing held prior to this meeting. The Board will continue to welcome public comment at the next Operations Committee meeting. The Board will continue to accept written comments regarding the high school project until 4:00 PM on August 29, 2005.

Mr. Miller also reviewed the timeline and indicated that the Board can still consider certain changes.

TRANSPORTATION

No report.

FOOD SERVICE

No report.

The next Operations Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 17, 2005 at 7:30 PM in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room of the Souderton Area School District Administrative Office Building, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Eric MacDougall, Chairperson

The next Finance Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 3, 2005 at 6:30 PM in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room of the Souderton Area School District Administrative Office Building, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Tracy Cole, Chairperson

Third Reading and Final Approval of Policy

Mrs. Cole explained Policy #200, indicating that it has to do with residency eligibility and also enrollment requirements.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Cole, second by Mrs. Johnson, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve Policy #200 – Enrollment in District

**EXHIBIT F**

Mrs. Cole briefly reviewed Policy #217 regarding graduation requirements.

Policy Committee

Third Reading and Final Approval of Policy (continued)

Upon a motion by Mrs. Cole, second by Mrs. Gehret, and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve Policy #217 – Graduation Requirements

**EXHIBIT G**

The next Policy Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 17, 2005 at 6:30 PM in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room of the Souderton Area School District Administrative Office Building, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT**

Heidi Johnson, Representative

Mrs. Johnson indicated that the Intermediate Unit Board held their reorganization meeting, with the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer being elected. She also indicated that at the last meeting they talked about the requirements for highly qualified status for staff and the IDEIA requirements for non-public and parochial schools.

Mrs. Johnson also mentioned that the PaTTAN Center would be gearing up for involvement in helping districts with implications of the Gaskins settlement.

**INDIAN VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Richard Thompson, Representative

No report.

**FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Tracy Cole, Representative

Mrs. Cole indicated that NSBA has released a grass roots action plan document.

**STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Sharon Gehret, Representative

No report.

**FEDERAL PROJECTS**

Dr. John Eells, Coordinator

No report.

**REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR**

No report.

**UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Johnson offered her congratulations to Dr. Hollister and indicated that she has enjoyed working with him.

Martha Detweiler, resident of the district, asked about the status of legislation regarding installment plans for real estate taxes. She understood that the 2% discount would be eliminated if the legislation were approved for installment plans.

Mr. Wisler indicated that there have been several proposals and bills that have been sponsored regarding installment plans. It is his understanding that one of the proposals does include a provision that the 2% discount would be eliminated if the installment plan was offered.

Another resident indicated that she read in the newspaper that the District was eliminating positions in Art and Music because of the cost of the new high school.

Mr. Clemens responded that the information was not reported correctly in the newspapers. The reduction in the Art position at the high school was not a cost-saving measure, but was based on student enrollment in Art classes. Also, the Music Technology position at Indian Crest, was eliminated again due to enrollment and the ability to schedule students who wanted that course with other teachers.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, there was a motion by Dr. Parry, second by Mrs. Johnson and on a vote of 8-0, it was

**RESOLVED**, That the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Souderton Area School District

Stan Wisler  
Secretary