

Souderton Area School District

760 Lower Road
Souderton, PA 18964

President Richard Swartley called the meeting of the Souderton Area School Board to order on Thursday evening, October 13, 2005 at 7:37 PM in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room.

The roll call was as follows:

PRESENT:	Tracy Cole	Dr. Jack Parry
	Mark Leer	Richard Swartley
	Eric MacDougall	Richard Thompson
ABSENT:	Sharon Gehret	R. Bud Miller (Arrived at 8:03 PM)
SOLICITOR:	Jeffrey Sultanik, Esq.	

Also present at the meeting were Dr. Charles D. Amuso, Brad Clemens, Grace Eves, Ellen Jamison, Glenn Keller, Gail Ryan, Jack Silva, Stan Wisler; Board candidates: William Brong, Bernard Currie and Victor Verbeke; representatives from The Reporter, The Souderton Independent, The Intelligencer, Radio Station WNPV and the public.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Charles D. Amuso, Ed.D.

Requests for Conferences/Workshops

Upon a motion by Mrs. Cole, second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 6-0, it was

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

PATRICIA BERGER Science, Senior High School	American Academy of Forensic Science Educational Conference Allentown, PA October 8-9, 2005 (Sat.-Sun.) Est. Expenses: \$250.00 Sub. Expenses: <u>0.00</u> Total Expenses: \$250.00
DIANE RANKIN ESL Teacher, Indian Valley M. S.	Achieve 3000/Kid Biz 3000 Training Norristown, PA
NAHEED SNYDER ESL Teacher, Indian Crest Jr. High	October 10, 2005 (Mon.) Est. Expenses: \$142.01 (combined)
JESSICA STYER-MILES ESL Teacher, Lower Salford and Vernfield Elementary Schools	Sub. Expenses: <u>50.00</u> (Snyder only) Total Expenses: \$192.01 (combined)

Report of the Superintendent

Requests for Conferences/Workshops (continued)

MATTHEW LOZANO Social Studies, Senior High School	Pre-AP Workshop (College Boards) Philadelphia, PA October 12, 2005 (Wed.) Est. Expenses: \$ 4.85 Sub. Expenses: <u>100.00</u> Total Expenses: \$104.85
HEATHER JACOBUS Special Education, Oak Ridge Elem.	Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training King of Prussia, PA October 12, 13, 1005 (Wed., Thurs.) Est. Expenses: \$ 0.00 Sub. Expenses: <u>200.00</u> Total Expenses: \$200.00
CHERYLE RADCLIFF Gifted Teacher, Indian Valley M. S.	Loving Language: Literacy and the Gifted Bryn Mawr, PA October 14, 2005 (Fri.) Est. Expenses: \$110.00 Sub. Expenses: <u>100.00</u> Total Expenses: \$210.00
ROBIN MACMULLEN Counselor, Indian Valley M. S.	ESL Issues for Guidance Norristown, PA October 17, 2005 (Mon. AM)
SHERRI WILLENBECHER Counselor, Salford Hills Elem.	Est. Expenses: \$14.55 (combined) Sub. Expenses: <u>0.00</u> Total Expenses: \$14.55 (combined)
Paid by Title III funds.	
CAMILLE CASANI CARS, Salford Hills Elem.	Keystone State Reading Association Conference Hershey, PA October 17-19, 2005 (Mon.-Wed.) Est. Expenses: \$300.00 Sub. Expenses: <u>0.00</u> Total Expenses: \$300.00
KAREN BERK Director of Special Education	Eastern Pennsylvania Special Education Administrator's Conference Hershey, PA October 19-21, 2005 (Wed.-Fri.)
REBECCA FOGLE Supervisor of Special Education – Sec.	Est. Expenses: \$291.00 (combined)
ELIZABETH MAZA Supervisor of Special Education – Elem.	Sub. Expenses: <u>0.00</u> Total Expenses: \$291.00 (combined)
Paid by IDEA funds.	

Report of the Superintendent

Requests for Conferences/Workshops (continued)

FRANK GALLAGHER

Director of Pupil Services/Principal
Lower Salford Elem.

Walkthroughs Conference

Radnor, PA

October 24, 2005 (Mon.)

GAIL RYAN

Director of Elementary Education/
Interim Principal, Franconia Elem.

Est. Expenses: \$130.00 (combined)

Sub. Expenses: 0.00

Total Expenses: \$130.00 (combined)

LINDA BLEAU

ESL, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.

Effective Second Language Acquisition

Cherry Hill, NJ

October 26, 2005 (Wed.)

Paid by ESL funds

Est. Expenses: \$238.65

Sub. Expenses: 0.00

Total Expenses: \$238.65

TAMMY CACCAVO

Spanish, Senior High School

Beyond Zero Tolerance: Restorative Practices

Bethlehem, PA

October 28, 2005 (Fri.)

Est. Expenses: \$ 23.28

Sub. Expenses: 100.00

Total Expenses: \$123.28

NOVA HOSTETTER

Kindergarten, West Broad Street Elem.

WENDY KULP

Kindergarten, West Broad Street Elem.

Learning Centers That Boost Early Reading
and Writing Skills for Kindergarten

Drexel Hill, PA

November 3, 2005 (Thurs.)

Partially paid by Title I funds

Est. Expenses: \$353.57 (combined)

Sub. Expenses: 200.00 (combined)

Total Expenses: \$553.57 (combined)

JEFF PAMMER

Principal, Indian Crest Jr. High

National Middle School Association Pre-
Conference

Philadelphia, PA

November 3, 2005 (Thurs.)

Est. Expenses: \$ 70.00

Sub. Expenses: 0.00

Total Expenses: \$ 70.00

BONNIE BARNES

German, Indian Crest Jr. High School

Lessons That Work – Bringing the United
States Holocaust Memorial Museum to Your
Classroom

Gettysburg, PA

November 3-4, 2005 (Thurs.-Fri.)

Est. Expenses: \$121.25

Sub. Expenses: 200.00

Total Expenses: \$321.25

Report of the Superintendent

Requests for Conferences/Workshops (continued)

KATHY CAMPION
Third Grade, Lower Salford Elem.

The Writing Workshop: Turn Your Students
Into Real Writers
Trevose, PA
November 7, 2005 (Mon.)
Est. Expenses: \$194.40
Sub. Expenses: 100.00
Total Expenses: \$294.40

GRACE EVES
Assistant Business Manager

Pennsylvania Association of School Business
Officials – GASB Update Training
Lansdale, PA
November 11, 2005 (Fri.)
Est. Expenses: \$125.00
Sub. Expenses: 0.00
Total Expenses: \$125.00

TAMARA CALLAHAN
Elem. Challenge, Vernfield/Salford Hills

JEAN FREY
Elem. Challenge, West Broad Street Elem.

CHERYLE RADCLIFF
Gifted, Indian Valley M. S.

Challenging the Gifted Workshop
Doylestown, PA
November 17, 2005 (Thurs.)
Est. Expenses: \$500.00 (combined)
Sub. Expenses: 0.00
Total Expenses: \$500.00 (combined)

STACY ZANINE
Elem. Challenge, Oak Ridge/Lower Salford

BARB SCOTT
CARS, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.

National Council of Teachers of English Conf.
Pittsburgh, PA
November 17-18, 2005 (Thurs.-Fri.)
Est. Expenses: \$381.00
Sub. Expenses: 0.00
Total Expenses: \$381.00

NADEEN McSHANE
Language Arts, Indian Valley M. S.

Best Children's Books of the Decade
Frazer, PA
November 29, 2005 (Tues.)
Est. Expenses: \$179.00
Sub. Expenses: 100.00
Total Expenses: \$279.00

Report of the Superintendent

Requests for Conferences/Workshops (continued)

DONNA HUFF

Staff Development Coach K-5

National Staff Development Council Academy
and Conference

Philadelphia, PA

December 1-7, 2005 (Thurs.-Wed.)

Est. Expenses: \$1,217.00

Sub. Expenses: 0.00

Total Expenses: \$1,217.00

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Stan Wisler

School Board Minutes

Upon a motion by Mr. MacDougall, second by Mr. Leer, and on a vote of 6-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the School Board Meeting Minutes of September 29, 2005 and October 5, 2005 as presented.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Richard Swartley

An Executive Session was held September 29, 2005 to discuss personnel and collective bargaining issues. The meeting lasted 60 minutes.

An Executive Session was held on October 5, 2005 to discuss personnel and collective bargaining issues. The meeting lasted 45 minutes.

Mr. Swartley indicated that the Board must find a new member to complete the unexpired term of Mrs. Johnson, whose resignation was effective October 12, 2005. He indicated that since the resignation was within 60 days of the election, the Board would be appointing someone. After the election, the Board's intent is to appoint the person who received the least amount of votes. The election is November 8th and the next Board meeting is November 12th.

Dr. Parry questioned if the Board is obligated to accept applications.

Mr. Sultanik indicated that no, there is no legal obligation.

Bernie Currie, Board candidate, asked if the Board would accept applications.

Mr. Swartley indicated that the Board does not plan to advertise for applicants, but if someone wanted to submit a resume, it certainly would be accepted for review.

Report of the President

SAESPA Negotiations

Mr. Swartley also reported on the SAESPA negotiations. He indicated that the Union turned down the fact finder report for the second time. Our information indicates that there are about 125 to 130 members covered by the Union of which approximately 90 have joined.

He also reviewed the Union's newspaper ad. Mr. Swartley clarified some of the information, indicating that the 4.5% increase noted in the Union's ad is for a selected group of employees. The increase, across all employees in the Union, is an average of 6.65% per year, for four years. Mr. Swartley continued that they have not had a raise for three years. He explained the process, indicating that they voted to unionize in May 2003 and the District cannot give a raise to any union members while in negotiations with that union.

Mr. Swartley also indicated that the fact finder and the mediator have validated the Board's proposal that is currently on the table. It is a slightly improved agreement over the tentative agreement. The tentative agreement also provides retroactivity to 2004-2005. There are additional sick days, emergency days and continuing education benefits.

Mr. Sultanik mentioned that the state mediator is trying to arrange a meeting with the Union leadership and the PSEA representatives to determine the next step.

Mr. Swartley announced that there would be an executive session after tonight's meeting to discuss personnel issues.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Grace Eves

Financial Statements for August 2005

Mrs. Eves presented the financial report for September 2005 as an information item.

EDUCATION-PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Richard Thompson, Chairperson

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Project 4 – High School Reinvention/Improvement Plan

Mr. Thompson indicated that Mr. Varano reported on Project 4 at the last Education-Personnel Committee meeting.

Second Reading of Curriculum/Textbooks

Mr. Thompson presented the following curriculum/textbooks for a second reading:

- a. Modern Geometry Curriculum
- b. American History and Civics Curriculum – Grade 8
- c. Forensics - High School Elective

Education-Personnel Committee

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Reading Strategies Walkthrough Results

Mr. Thompson indicated that the Reading Strategies Walkthrough results were reviewed at the last Education-Personnel Committee meeting by Mr. Silva.

Out-of-State Field Trip Requests

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

Mr. MacDougall questioned the trip to Disney World and felt that there were too many different groups who were going on this outing. He felt the administration should do a better job of coordinating which groups should go on these types of trips.

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 5-1, with Mr. MacDougall voting no, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the out-of-state field trip requests as listed:

- a. Indian Valley Middle School – Seventh Graders
Date: Tuesday, December 6, 2005
Destination: McCarter Theatre, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
Purpose of Trip: Student will be viewing a performance of “A Christmas Carol”
which is studied in Language Arts classes.
Teacher/Advisor: Carole Darragh
Number of Chaperones: 20 – Teachers 0 – Parents
 0 – Other Professional Staff
Number of Students: 480
Financing of Trip: Paid by students

- b. Indian Crest Junior High School – Student Council/Yearbook/Gifted
Date: Wednesday-Saturday, April 12-15, 2006
Destination: Disney World, Orlando, Florida
Purpose of Trip: To attend Disney’s Youth Education Series interactive programs in
business and leadership qualities.
Teacher/Advisor: Joyce Kupec and Jon Graf
Number of Chaperones: 3 – Teachers 4 – Parents
 0 – Other Professional Staff
Number of Students: 40
Financing of Trip: Paid by students and fundraising activities

Education-Personnel Committee

CURRICULUM ITEMS

Out-of-State Field Trip Requests (continued)

- c. Indian Crest Junior High School and Souderton Area High School – Grades 9-11
Date: Saturday-Saturday, July 1-8, 2006
Destination: Yellowstone National Park and Grand Teton National Park, Caves State Park, Little Big Horn, Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial located in Montana, South Dakota and Wyoming.
Purpose of Trip: History of some of the most important national parks in the United States and earn elective credit.
Teacher Advisor: Joyce Kupec
Number of Chaperones: 6-13 – Teachers 0 - Parents
 0 – Other Professional Staff
Number of Students: 40-80
Financing of Trip: Paid by students
- d. Souderton Area High School – Future Business Leaders of America – Grades 10-12
Date: Friday-Sunday, November 4-6, 2005
Destination: FBLA National Fall Leadership Conference, Pittsburgh, PA
Purpose of Trip: Participate in the National Leadership Conference
Teacher Advisor: Maria Halteman
Number of Chaperones: 3 – Teachers 0 - Parents
 0 – Other Professional Staff
Number of Students: 25
Financing of Trip: Paid by students and fundraising activities.

OTHER ITEMS

Agreement with Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 for Services Provided to Student(s) that Reside in the Souderton Area School District

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 6-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the agreement with Bucks County IU #22 for services provided to student(s) that reside in the Souderton Area School District. **EXHIBIT A**

Request for Placement of Graduate Student Extern from Nova Southeastern University in the Souderton Area School District for the 2005-2006 Spring Semester

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 6-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the request for the placement of a graduate student extern from Nova Southeastern University in the Souderton Area School District for the 2005-2006 spring semester. **EXHIBIT B**

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

SUPPORT STAFF

Upon a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mrs. Cole, and on a vote of 6-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the support staff personnel items, the additions to the substitute teacher listing and the supplemental contracts for a coaching position and advisor positions for 2005-2006 as listed:

Resignation

CLAIRE ALCARO

Autistic Support Aide, Vernfield Elem.
Effective: September 23, 2005

Retirement

JUDITH M. GERHART

Secretary to the Supervisor of Operations
Effective: December 31, 2005
Years Employed by SASD: 20 years

Transfers

ALICE HOLLINGSWORTH

Replacement for
Paula Ramos (resigned)

From: Learning Support Aide, Vernfield Elem.
To: Title V Aide, Vernfield Elem.
Beginning: To be determined
Hourly Rate: \$12.00 per hour
Hours: 6 per day/Tuesdays, Wednesdays and
Thursdays

CARMEN SCHREFFLER

New Position

From: Food Service Substitute
To: Food Service Assistant, Indian Valley
Beginning: October 17, 2005
Hourly Rate: \$8.98
Hours: 4 per day

DEBRA HEUBACH

Replacement for
Alexandra Almaguer (transfer)

Cafeteria Aide, Vernfield Elem.
Beginning: October 14, 2005
Hourly Rate: \$8.50 per hour
Hours: 1.5 per day

STUART MARGULIES

Substitute Cafeteria Aide, Vernfield Elem.
Beginning: October 14, 2005
Hourly Rate: \$8.50 per hour
Hours: as needed

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

SUPPORT STAFF (continued)

Recommendations for Employment (continued)

SABRINA MATHUES Special Education Aide, Learning Support
Replacement for Indian Crest Jr. High
Davin Orłowski (resigned) Beginning: October 11, 2005
Hourly Rate: \$8.50 per hour
Hours: 6.5 per day

DANIELLE PETTIT Part-Time Custodian, Vernfield Elem.
Replacement for Beginning: October 17, 2005
Jesse Kimball (resigned) Hourly Rate: \$8.96 per hour
Hours: 4 per day

SAMANTHA SHELLY Part-Time Custodian, E. M. Crouthamel Elem.
Replacement for Beginning: October 10, 2005
Eric Powers (resigned) Hourly Rate: \$8.96 per hour
Hours: 4 per day

Additions to Substitute Teacher Listing for 2005-2006

EXHIBIT C

Supplemental Contracts for Coaching Position and Advisor Positions for 2005-2006

THOMAS JERNIGAN Soccer Intramurals Developmental Coach (IV) \$23.00 per hr.
Approximately 6 hours per week for 4 weeks.

MARIAN HALTEMAN
& **THOMAS WELCH** FBLA Co-Advisors (HS) 250.00 each
Change from Maria Halteman as a single advisor.

ELISE BRAND Literary Magazine (HS) 400.00
Replacing John McLaughlin.

2005-2006 Mentor Listing

There was a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. MacDougall.

Mr. Leer questioned why Karen Planinshek was listed, since she is not new to the district.

Mr. Clemens indicated that she is new to this position and compensation for a partial mentor is provided and recommended.

Education-Personnel Committee

PERSONNEL ITEMS

2005-2006 Mentor Listing (continued)

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 6-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the 2005-2006 mentor listing as listed:

New Teacher	Mentor	Compensation
LINDA BLEAU	Karen Elko & Naheed Snyder	\$300.00 each
JILL KARDANE	Barbara Scott	600.00 (pro-rated)
~CAROLYN KNOWER	Barbara Scott	300.00
JESSICA LANDIS	Grace Cowley	600.00
BRIAN PENDERGHEST	Sue Plummer & Bill Gross	300.00 each
KATELYN SEESTEDT	Doreen Hansen	600.00
KATHLEEN BENNER	Jennifer Sinkinson	600.00 (pro-rated)
BRENDA CLARK	Eileen Shaner	300.00
AMY GLOVER	Joan Shellenberger	300.00
HEATHER HEISTER	Tammy Lelli	600.00
GLEN POEHLMAN	Janet Aldinger & Ryan Williams	300.00 each
CARRIE COCHRAN	Sharon Alderfer	600.00
JOHN FRANZEN	Brian Cote	300.00
MEGAN GORDON	Amy Feliciani	600.00
CHRISTINE GREEN	Heidi Pekar	600.00
~JESSICA STYER MILES	Ramona Diaz	300.00
JOSHUA WAGNER	Dan Stover & Cathy Swanson	300.00 each
ALEXANDRA ALMAGUER	Michelle Smith	600.00
~KRISTEN DIAZ	Kristen Mazurek	300.00
~MELISSA LUERY	Cassie Balzer	300.00
JENNIFER WORTHINGTON	Lucy Buchanan & Esther McKenna	300.00 each
~TAMARA CALLAHAN	Stacy Zanine	300.00
~MEREDITH EHST	Dave Purnell	300.00
TESSA NOLTE	Linda Finlayson	600.00
~STEPHANIE SHEARER	Ann Landis	300.00
~RACHEL STROHECKER	Eileen Kennedy	300.00
~JACQUE DITLOW	Carolyn Rosenberger	300.00
~BONNIE GEHMAN	Naomi Donovan	300.00
~JAMI STEMLER KAZATSKY	Carolyn Rosenberger	300.00
STEPHANIE MCBAIN	Ruth Raisner	300.00 (pro-rated)
~LAURIE MAZUREK	Deb Derro & Lynn Robinson	150.00 each
~CATHERINE SCHADLER	Deb Derro	300.00
CAITLIN YOUNG	Courtney Panchyda	600.00
HEATHER FINK	Melissa Moeller	600.00 (pro-rated)
COLEEN HEARY	Chris Gigon	600.00
CHRISTINE SNYDER	Janet Francis	600.00

~ Indicates Year 2

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PERSONNEL ITEMS

2005-2006 Mentor Listing (continued)

New Teacher	Mentor	Compensation
~NOVA HOSTETTER	Caryl Waters	\$300.00
JENNIFER KRAUSE	Janet Francis	300.00
LYNN CAROLL	Drew Johnson	600.00
~JACQUELINE DUGGAN	Laura Fling	300.00
RENEE MURPHY	Marge Gradel	600.00
DREW SCHEELER	Karen Fiorillo	600.00
AMY TRIMBLE	Gretchen Walter	600.00
~LEIGH VOIGT	Michelle Strenko	300.00
~KIM WOLFE MINNUCCI	Nancy Eglinton-Woods	300.00
~HEIDI BUTCHER	Arlene Buchman & Marcie Farmer	150.00 each
NICHOLAS CHIAROLANZA	Sue Hanna	600.00
AMANDA GREISER	Arlene Buchman & Bunnie Barnes	300.00 each
~KATHRYN KARLAVAGE	Doug Henning	300.00
PHILIP MATILLA	Janet Grippi	300.00
~LAURA POLISH	Susan Egan	300.00
MICAH RAMPULLA	Stan Smith	300.00 (pro-rated)
~LINDA ROBINSON	Martha Schultz	300.00
~STACEY SUDA	Linda Scheckenbach	300.00
~ALISON TODD	Arlene Buchman & Rebecca Beemer	150.00 each
NICKOLE TROUT	Linda Scheckenbach	300.00
AMANDA WEBER	Karen Yerk	300.00
THOMAS WEIR	Rick Hess	600.00
SANDRA CAMPAGNA	Tammy Caccavo	600.00
CARMEN DEMARIA	Alison Fitzpatrick	300.00
DANIEL DEITSCH	Pat Berger	600.00
ALFRED DERRO	Rob Barbadoro	600.00
~AMANDA MILLER	Mike Cahill	300.00
JESSICA SILFIES	Nicole Harner	600.00
KAREN PLANINSHEK	Sharon Alderfer	300.00
ELIZABETH STONE	Joan Shellenberger	300.00

~ Indicates Year 2

The next Education-Personnel Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 2, 2005 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 Ralph "Bud" Miller, Representatives

No report.

The next Joint Operating Committee meeting will be held on Monday, October 17, 2005 at 7:30 PM at the North Montco Technical Career Center, Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Ralph "Bud" Miller, Chairperson

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

Requests for Use of School Facilities

Mr. Leer presented the report in the absence of Mr. Miller.

Mr. Leer indicated that the requests for use of school facilities stating that the requests conform to prevailing rates and present policy.

Rotary Club of Harleysville

Indian Valley Middle School
Saturday, October 22, 2005
Start of Annual Halloween Parade
Class 3 - Insurance Certificate

Harleysville Soccer

Salford Hills Elementary School
Thursdays, December 8, 2006 thru March 30, 2006
Soccer Practice
Class 3 - Insurance Certificate

Bucks County Community College

Vernfield Elementary School
Mondays, October 17, 2005 thru March 26, 2006
Spanish Class
Class 3 - Insurance Certificate

Harleysville Soccer

Indian Valley Middle School
Saturdays, December 3, 2005 thru March 25, 2006
Soccer Practice
Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - custodial overtime \$24/hour

Operations Committee

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

Requests for Use of School Facilities (continued)

Prevailing rates, conforming to present policy.

P.A.G.E.

Indian Valley Middle School

Thursdays, October 20, 2005; January 19, March 16 & May 18, 2006

Monthly Meetings

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - (20) chairs

P.A.G.E.

Indian Crest Junior High School

Thursdays, November 17, 2005; February 23 & April 20, 2006

Monthly Meetings

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - (20) chairs

Indianettes Booster Club

Senior High School

Thursdays, October 6, November 3, 2005; January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, 2006

Monthly Meetings

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - chairs, tables

Souderton Youth Wrestling

Senior High School

Saturday, January 14, 2006

Wrestling Match

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - custodial overtime \$24/hour - chairs, sound system, scoreboard, wrestling mats

Harleysville Hurricanes

Indian Crest Junior High School

Saturdays, October 15, 22 & 29, 2005

Practice for Tournament

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate

Indianettes Booster Club

Senior High School

Monday, November 7, 2005; Wednesday, March 18, 2006, Monday, May 22, 2006

Awards Reception

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - chairs, tables, sound system

Operations Committee

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

Requests for Use of School Facilities (continued)

Prevailing rates, conforming to present policy.

Souderton Youth Wrestling

Senior High School

Saturday, January 28, 2006

Wrestling Match

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - custodial overtime \$24/hour - wrestling mats

Souderton Youth Wrestling

Senior High School

Saturday, February 4, 2006

Wrestling Match

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate - custodial overtime \$24/hour - wrestling mats

S/H Youth Basketball

Franconia Elementary School

Wednesdays, November 23, 2005 thru March 18, 2006

Basketball Program

Class 3 - Insurance Certificate

New High School Project

Mr. Leer indicated that the committee witnessed two presentations from the construction management firms that are, at this point, considered finalists. The construction management proposals will be discussed at the next Operations Committee meeting.

Recommendation to Approve Emergency Repair of High School Elevator

Mr. Leer explained the reason for required repair and Mr. Keller answered questions regarding the cause.

Mr. Currie asked if the new replacement would be waterproofed.

Mr. Keller indicated yes, the replacement will be a waterproof unit.

Upon a motion by Mr. Leer, second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 6-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the emergency repair of the High School elevator.

EXHIBIT D

TRANSPORTATION

No report.

Operations Committee

FOOD SERVICE

No report.

The next Operations Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19, 2005 at 7:30 PM in the Souderton Area School District Administrative Offices, Lowell A. Tinner Board Room, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

NOTE: Mr. Miller arrived at this point in the meeting, which was 8:03 PM.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Eric MacDougall, Chairperson

2005-2006 Budgetary Transfers

Upon a motion by Mr. MacDougall, second by Dr. Parry, and on a vote of 7-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the 2005-2006 budgetary transfers as presented.

EXHIBIT E

The next Finance Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 2, 2005 at 6:30 PM in the Souderton Area School District Administrative Offices, Lowell A. Tinner Board Room, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Tracy Cole, Chairperson

Policy Under Discussion

Mrs. Cole reviewed Policy #815.2 – Web Site Development, and indicated that it will be reviewed at the next Policy Committee meeting. The commercialism policy is still under review.

The next Policy Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19, 2005 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

No report.

INDIAN VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Richard Thompson, Representative

Mr. Thompson indicated that Dinner Dance tickets are still available for November 5, 2005.

FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Tracy Cole, Representative

Mrs. Cole indicated that Congress has failed to pass an appropriations bill for education by the September 30th deadline. Therefore, a stop-gap measure has been approved through November 18th, which provides for the lesser of last year's amount or what is pending for this year. The Department of Education is awaiting final resolution after November 18th.

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

Mr. Brong asked for clarification regarding the next Operations Committee meeting.

Mr. Swartley indicated that the next Operations Committee meeting is Wednesday, October 19, 2005.

Mr. Thompson asked if the Board needed to appoint a vice president.

Mr. Sultanik responded that he would check to see if it was required, but certainly felt that the Board could nominate someone.

Mr. Thompson nominated Tracy Cole for the vice president's position until reorganization.

There was a motion by Mr. Leer to close the nominations and cast the ballot in favor of Tracy Cole.

Unfinished/New Business

The was a second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 7-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board elect Tracy Cole as Vice President of the Board until the reorganization meeting in December.

Mr. Swartley indicated that he would not be at the School Board meeting on October 27th.

Mr. Leer asked Mr. Sultanik about the special session on tax reform.

Mr. Sultanik indicated that nothing has officially been put forward, and it would be impossible to predict the outcome of the special session.

Mr. Lackler asked about the financial report with regard to the 2005 Bond Issue account and if the District is receiving interest.

Mr. Wisler indicated that the September 30 report on the 2005 Bond Issue reflects \$90,000 of interest earnings.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, there was a motion by Dr. Parry, second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 7-0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approve the adjournment of the meeting at 8:13 PM.

SOUDERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Stan Wisler
Secretary