

SOUDERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

760 Lower Road
Souderton, PA 18964

The annual reorganization meeting of the Souderton Area Board of School Directors was held Thursday, December 4, 2008 at the District Administration Office in the Tinner Room. The meeting was called to order at 6:38 PM by Secretary Brenda Jones Bray, followed by a roll call of Board members and the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:	William J. Brong	Eric R. MacDougall
	Bernard S. Currie	R. Bud Miller
	Scott C. Jelinski	Victor M. Verbeke
	Thomas A. Kwiatkowski	
ABSENT:	Dr. R. Paul Baumgartner	Mark D. Leer
SOLICITOR:	Jeffrey Sultanik, Esq.	

Also present at the meeting were: Dr. Charles Amuso, Karen Berk, Brenda J. Bray, Donna Brown, R. Bradley Clemens, Joseph Deady, Deb Doebler, Henry Franz, Frank Gallagher, Karen Giannini, Tim Roberts, Gail Ryan, Jack Silva, representatives from *The Reporter*, *The Souderton Independent*, Radio Station WNPV, and the public.

NOTICE OF THE ORGANIZATION MEETING

Mrs. Bray read the Notice of the Organization Meeting.

“The Souderton Area School District Board of School Directors will hold their annual reorganization meeting on Thursday, December 4, 2008 beginning at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be held in the Lowell A. Tinner Board Room at the District Administration Office, 760 Lower Road, Souderton, PA.

The purpose of the meeting is to hold an election of officers. No other business will be transacted at this meeting.”

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

NOMINATIONS FOR TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Mrs. Bray opened the floor for nominations for Temporary President.

Mr. Miller nominated Mr. Brong as Temporary President.

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A motion was made by Mr. Verbeke to close the nominations and cast the ballot in favor of Mr. Brong as Temporary President. The motion was second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 7 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board elect William Brong as Temporary President.

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT FOR ENSUING YEAR

Term of one (1) year

Mr. Brong opened the floor for nominations for Board President for the ensuing year.

Mr. Verbeke nominated Mr. Currie for the position.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller to close the nominations and cast the ballot in favor of Mr. Currie as President. The motion was second by Mr. Kwiatkowski, and on a vote of 7 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board elect Mr. Bernard Currie as President for a one year term. Mr. Currie's term will expire the end of November 2009.

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Term of one (1) year

Mr. Currie opened the floor for nominations for Board Vice President for the ensuing year.

Mr. Verbeke nominated Mr. Miller for the position.

A motion was made by Mr. Brong to close the nominations and cast the ballot in favor of Mr. Miller as Vice President. The motion was second by Mr. Kwiatkowski, and on a vote of 7 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board elect Mr. Ralph "Bud" Miller as Vice President for a one year term. Mr. Miller's term will expire the end of November 2009.

NOMINATION OF BOARD MEMBER TO THE NORTH MONTCO TECHNICAL CAREER CENTER JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE TO REPLACE WILLIAM BRONG WHOSE TERM HAS EXPIRED

Mr. Currie opened the floor for nominations for a representative to the North Montco Technical Career Center Joint Operating Committee. The term of office is a three year term.

Mr. Miller made a motion to appoint Mr. Brong as Souderton's representative on the North Montco Technical Career Center Joint Operating Committee. The motion was second by Mr. MacDougall, and on a vote of 7 to 0, it was

NOMINATION OF BOARD MEMBER TO THE NORTH MONTCO TECHNICAL CAREER CENTER JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE TO REPLACE WILLIAM BRONG WHOSE TERM HAS EXPIRED (CONTINUED)

RESOLVED, That the Board appoint Mr. William Brong as the Souderton Area School District representative to the North Montco Technical Career Center for a term of three years. Mr. Brong's term will expire the end of November 2011.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Currie stated that there would be no changes in Committee appointments at this time.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Currie thanked the Board for their continued support and mentioned three areas he would like to work on diligently over the next year: (1) Improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the Board's operations; (2) Spend a significant amount of time and effort working with district administration and the Board to improve educational outcomes for all students, and (3) Continued to work with the district's negotiating team, administration, solicitor, and members of various organizations to reach agreements with all of the district's employee groups.

Mr. Miller thanked Mr. Currie for his professionalism over the past year.

Mr. Verbeke also thanked Mr. Currie for his professionalism and for the time he devotes to the school district.

COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Amuso congratulated Mr. Currie and Mr. Miller on behalf of the administration, and stated he looks forward to working with the Board. He also thanked Mr. Brong for his willingness to service on the North Montco Technical Career Center Board.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

ADJOURN REORGANIZATION MEETING

With no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Brong, second by Mr. Miller to adjourn the meeting. The vote was taken, and on a vote of 7 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board adjourn the reorganization meeting at 6:48 PM.

ADJOURN REORGANIZATION MEETING (CONTINUED)

Respectfully,

Brenda Jones Bray
Secretary