

SOUDERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

760 Lower Road
Souderton, PA 18964

A special public meeting of the Souderton Area Board of School Directors was held Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at the District Administrative Offices in the Tinner Board Room. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by President Bernard S. Currie, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bruchak called the roll. Board members present were:

PRESENT:	Dr. R. Paul Baumgartner	Thomas A. Kwiatkowski
	William J. Brong	Mark D. Leer
	Bernard S. Currie	R. Bud Miller
	Scott C. Jelinski	Victor M. Verbeke

ABSENT: Jeffrey Sultanik, Esq.

Also present at the meeting were: Dr. Charles Amuso, Brigitte Bagocius, Donna Brown, Robert Bruchak, R. Bradley Clemens, Joseph Deady, Deb Doebler, Henry Franz, Frank Gallagher, Dona Italiano, Pat Mathues, Alison Moran, Jack Silva, representatives from *The Reporter*, *Souderton Independent*, all six candidates for the vacant position, and the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER

Bernard S. Currie, President

Mr. Currie stated that the purpose of the special meeting was to appoint a person to the Board of School Directors to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Eric MacDougall, which will last until December 2011. The Board members were asked to make their nominations from the six candidates that went through the interview process. Candidates were: Andrew Bachman, Barry Bohmueller, Ken Keith, Arnold Raudenbush, Donna Scheuren, and David Spause,

The floor was opened for nominations from the Board. Mr. Currie stated that nominations did not need a second. Nominations were as follows:

Dr. Baumgartner nominated Mr. Barry Bohmueller
Mr. Leer nominated Mr. Ken Keith
Mr. Miller nominated Ms. Donna Scheuren

There was a motion by Mr. Brong, and a second from Dr. Baumgartner to close the nominations. The vote was taken, and on a vote of 8 to 0, it was

RESOLVED, That nominations are closed for the vacant Board position.

At this time, Mr. Currie asked Mr. Bruchak to take a roll call vote of the members. The results of the roll call were as follows:

Dr. R. Paul Baumgartner voted for Mr. Barry Bohmueller
Mr. William Brong voted for Mr. Ken Keith
Mr. Scott Jelinski voted for Mr. Ken Keith
Mr. Thomas Kwiatkowski voted for Mr. Ken Keith
Mr. Mark Leer voted for Mr. Ken Keith
Mr. R. Bud Miller voted for Ms. Donna Scheuren
Mr. Victor Verbeke voted for Mr. Ken Keith
Mr. Bernard Currie voted for Mr. Ken Keith

When the roll call ended, Mr. Bruchak presented the results: six (6) votes for Mr. Ken Keith, one (1) vote for Ms. Donna Scheuren, and one (1) vote for Mr. Barry Bohmueller. Mr. Ken Keith was proclaimed the winner.

Mr. Currie called for Mr. Keith to come forward, and participate in the Oath of Office, and be sworn in as a member of the Souderton Area School District Board of School Directors. Mr. Keith took his seat with the other Board members.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Miller thanked all the candidates for turning out for the interview process. He encouraged the candidates to stay active in the community.

Dr. Baumgartner commented on the fine qualifications of each of the candidates.

Mr. Kwiatkowski also thanked each of the candidates for coming forward.

Mr. Currie closed the meeting by thanking all of the candidates who volunteered for the position. He encouraged them to stay involved in local educational issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Brong, with a second by Dr. Baumgartner to adjourn the meeting. On a vote of 9 to 0, it was

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

Respectfully,

Robert P. Bruchak
Board Secretary