

Souderton Area School District
760 Lower Road
Souderton, PA 18964

The annual reorganization meeting of the Souderton Area Board of School Directors was held on Thursday, December 1, 2011, at the Souderton Area School District Administrative Office Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Acting Board Secretary, Sylvia C. Lenz, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present were:

PRESENT:	Jill S. Basile William J. Brong	Bernard S. Currie Matt Holliday
NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Michael A. Braccio Scott C. Jelinski Ken R. Keith	Thomas A. Kwiatkowski Donna M. Scheuren
SOLICITOR:	Jeffrey Sultanik, Esq.	

Also present at the meeting were: Maryellen Brousseau, Henry Franz, Frank Gallagher, Dr. Christopher Hey, Dr. Frederick Johnson, Sylvia Lenz, Elisa Snedaker, a reporter from *The Reporter* newspaper, and community members.

Ms. Lenz read the Notice of the Organization Meeting that appeared twice in *The Reporter*, newspaper of record, in November 2011.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments.

NOMINATIONS FOR TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Mr. Currie nominated Mrs. Jill Basile as Temporary President. There were no more nominations.

Mr. Currie offered a motion to close the nominations for Temporary President.

Ms. Lenz declared the nominations for Temporary President closed by calling for a vote from the members of the Board. On a vote of 4 to 0, it was...

DECLARED, That the Board close the nominations for Temporary President.

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Ms. Lenz called for a vote to elect Mrs. Jill Basile as the Temporary President.

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 4 to 0, it was...

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY PRESIDENT (CONTINUED)

RESOLVED, That the Board elect Mrs. Jill Basile as Temporary President.

Ms. Lenz declared Mrs. Basile as Temporary President and asked Mrs. Basile to assume the gavel.

SEATING OF NEWLY ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Basile asked Ms. Lenz if the Certificates of Election had been reviewed. Ms. Lenz responded positively.

Next was the administration of the oath of office/review of already executed oaths of office by the Honorable Judge Kent H. Albright. Judge Albright proceeded with the oath of office for each of the following individuals:

Elected to four year terms were:

**NICHOLAS A. BRACCIO
SCOTT C. JELINSKI
KEN R. KEITH**

**THOMAS A. KWIATKOWSKI
DONNA M. SCHEUREN**

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT FOR ENSUING YEAR

Term of one (1) year

Mrs. Basile called for nominations for President.

There was a motion by Mr. Brong to nominate Mr. Currie as the Board President for the ensuing year. There were no other nominations.

A motion was offered by Mr. Keith, with a second by Mr. Brong to close the nominations for Board President. Mrs. Basile called for a vote, and on a vote of 9 to 0, it was...

RESOLVED, That the nomination for Board President is closed and the nomination is cast in favor of Mr. Currie.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT FOR ENSUING YEAR

Mrs. Basile asked for a roll call vote on the nomination of Mr. Currie as President of the Board for the ensuing year.

Ms. Lenz called the roll:

Mrs. Basile – Yes
Mr. Braccio – Yes
Mr. Brong – Yes
Mr. Holliday – Yes

Mr. Jelinski - Yes
Mr. Keith - Yes
Mr. Kwiatkowski - Yes
Mrs. Scheuren – Yes

Mr. Currie - Yes

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT FOR ENSUING YEAR (CONTINUED)

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 9 to 0, it was...

DECLARED, That Mr. Currie would be President for the ensuing year.

Mr. Currie received the gavel from Mrs. Basile.

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Term of one (1) year

Mr. Currie called for a nomination for Vice President.

There was a motion by Mrs. Basile to nominate Mr. Jelinski for the position of Vice President for one year.

With no further nominations, there was a motion by Mr. Brong, with a second from Mrs. Basile, to close the nominations and cast that vote in favor of Mr. Jelinski for Vice President.

The vote was called and on a vote of 9 to 0, it was...

RESOLVED, To close nominations and cast the vote in favor of Mr. Jelinski for Vice President.

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Mr. Currie called for a vote on the nomination of Mr. Jelinski as Vice President for the ensuing year.

The vote was taken, and on a vote of 9 to 0, it was...

DECLARED, That Mr. Jelinski would be Vice President for the ensuing year.

Mr. Currie stated that he had appointed Mr. Holliday as the Board member to represent Souderton Area School District on the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Board to fill the unexpired term of Mr. R. Bud Miller. The MCIU term will expire June 30, 2013.

Mr. Currie stated that he has appointed Mrs. Basile as the Board member to represent Souderton Area School District as Legislative Liaison.

Mr. Currie mentioned that he would continue to serve as the Board member to sit on the Souderton Area Education Foundation Committee. These meetings are held during the day, and he is the only member of the Board who is available during the day.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONTINUATION OF EXISTING SIGNATURE PLATES

The Resolution was not necessary since the existing signature plates did not need to be changed for the Board President or the Board Treasurer positions.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Currie indicated that he would make the Board Committee appointments later in the week.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Currie congratulated Mr. Braccio and Mrs. Scheuren for being elected to the Board. He also thanked the Board for their confidence and support in electing him president for another year. This year will be a very challenging year due to the economy and teacher negotiations. If the Board works together as professionals, the challenges can be met.

COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Johnson congratulated the two new members of the Board, Mr. Braccio and Mrs. Scheuren, and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

ADJOURN REORGANIZATION MEETING

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Jelinski, with a second by Mr. Kwiatkowski to adjourn the meeting. The vote was taken, and on a vote of 9 to 0, it was...

RESOLVED, That the Board adjourn the meeting at 6:46 PM.

Respectfully,

Sylvia C. Lenz
Acting School Board Secretary