

SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

13083 Buck Valley Road
WARFORDSBURG, PA 17267

August 16, 2022

6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

Prior to the board meeting, an executive session was held for personnel reasons.

1. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to go into executive session for personnel reasons. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Executive session began at 6:41 p.m. and ended at 7:06 p.m.

The board meeting began at 7:06 p.m. in the library of the high school in Warfordsburg, Pennsylvania with visitors attending in person. The following members were present: Timothy Mellott, Jon Diffenderfer, Brian Pittman, Tony Shives, Jada Smith, Allen Morton, and Patrick Bard. The meeting was conducted by the board president, Patrick Bard.

Also present were: Meredith Hendershot, superintendent; Cindy Flaherty, director of educational support services; Jeremy Hollinshead, high school principal; Laurel Keegan, director of special education; Tyler Burns, Elementary Principal; Billy Baker, school police officer; MaryAnn Johnson, board secretary.

Visitors present were: Carolyn Mottern, Jolene Stotler, Logan Kennedy, Wendy Ritz, Amanda Keiper, Adrian Weller, Tammy Hixon, Shannon Pittman, Joe Hollenshead, Julie Dickerhoff, Chase Varner, Cassidy Pittman, Chloe Rife, Wilhemina Wilt and Deanne Baker

2. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Patrick Bard.
3. Mrs. Julie Dickerhoff reported on the STEM camp that was provided through the Tuscarora Intermediate Unit and held at the high school and the teachers who volunteered their time for training that will bring more STEM activities to Southern Fulton. Mrs. Dickerhoff asked that the district explore other options to provide air circulation in the high school gymnasium.
4. Mrs. Wendy Ritz commended the Superintendent, principals, and custodians on all of their hard work over the summer to make the 22-23 school year a success.
5. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to grant that as the president of the board conducts this meeting, it is not necessary to announce each roll call vote. If, however, a director or directors, wish to comment or have his/her comment or vote specifically recorded, the director(s) shall have the opportunity to so state. The chair of the meeting, the president of the board, should announce before each roll call vote, that if he hears no objections from any member of the board present, the vote will be considered a unanimous roll call vote and so recorded. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

6. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the minutes from the July 14, 2022 Board Meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
7. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the payment of bills for July. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
8. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the financial reports for July. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
9. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation from Jennifer Keebaugh as Special Education Teacher effective August 16, 2022. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
10. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation of Benjamin Arnold as Music Teacher pending the signing of a contract with another school district around the date of August 17, 2022. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
11. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation from Melissa Mackel as English Teacher pending approval of the Windber School Board at their August 16, 2022, board meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
12. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Chloe Rife(Souders) at Step 1 Column 1 of the professional bargaining agreement as a part-time Art/part-time Family Consumer Science Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
13. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Chase Varner at Step 1 Column 1 of the professional bargaining agreement as a 6th-grade teacher for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
14. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Alex Bolinger at Step 1 Column 3 of the professional bargaining agreement as a 1st-grade teacher for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
15. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Alex Bolinger as Jr. High head soccer coach for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
16. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Wilhemina Wilt at Step 1 Column 1 of the professional bargaining agreement as a 9-12 English teacher for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork.

VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.

17. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve Donna Hogarty as a student teacher under the supervision of Suzanne Elbin beginning the fall semester of the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
18. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Kayla Munson as a substitute custodian for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
19. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Nathaniel Purnell as a substitute custodian for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
20. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Donald Francis as a school security officer for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
21. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Grace Mosemann as a substitute teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
22. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Candace Hess as a long-term substitute teacher for the Multiple Disabilities Support Classroom at the Elementary. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
23. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Kay Bradshaw as a long-term substitute teacher for the English and Special Education Classroom at the High School. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
24. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to hire Niki Hamilton as a substitute paraprofessional for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
25. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve retroactive to advertise for a special education teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
26. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve retroactive to advertise for an anticipated K-12 music teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
27. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to advertise for a high school English/special education teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
28. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve Suzanne Elbin as a mentor for Laurel Keegan for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

29. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve Betsy Shingleton as mentor for Chloe Rife for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
30. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve Amanda Brumbaugh as a mentor for Alex Bolinger for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
31. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve Jamie Shaw as a mentor for Chase Varner for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
32. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the High School teaching and staff assignments for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
33. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the Elementary teaching and staff assignments for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
34. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the amended 2022-2023 school calendar. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
35. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve of the following classes with an enrollment of students under 10:

Course			
Course Name	Number of Students	Instructor	
Advanced ESS	8	Barton	
Physics	9	McKenzie	
AP Chemistry	Above 10	McKenzie	
Advanced Physics	7	McKenzie	
AP Art (same period Studio Art)	8	Mottern	
2D Art	Above 10	Mottern	
AP Stats	9	Stotler	
College Algebra	4	Stotler	

There are some special education classes that are not included on this list that are less than 10.

FCCCT Course Enrollment		
Course Name	Number of SF Students	Instructor
Welding	14	Shiple
Allied Health	1	Oliver
Building Trades	1	Pelton
Computer Tech	6	Shearer

Automotive Tech	1	Shives
Drafting and Design	1	Wolford
Veterinary Assistant	2	Higgins
Early Childhood	0	Barber

Elementary instrumental lessons may have classes with student enrollment of less than 10 students. It is important to note that this is simply the nature of teaching the many different instruments. An updated list will be provided at the next board meeting.

VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.

36. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the Elementary Student Handbook and list of changes for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

37. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the High School Student Handbook and list of changes for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

38. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the list of High School field trips for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

39. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the list of Elementary field trips for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

40. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the list of High school fundraisers for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

41. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the first reading of the following policies:

- a) Policy 218, Pupils, Student Discipline
- b) Policy 220, Pupils, Student Expression/Dissemination of Materials
- c) Policy 220, Pupils, Student Expression/Dissemination of Materials Attachment A
- d) Policy 227, Pupils, Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia
- e) Policy 808, Operations, Food Services
- f) Policy 816, Operations, Social Media
- g) Policy 913, Community, Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.

42. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to approve for Allen Morton to serve as an alternate on the Fulton County Center for Career & Technology School Board. (Brian Pittman was no longer able to serve in this capacity.) **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

43. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the bus and van driver and substitute driver list for the 2022-2023 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

44. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approved Heather Bollman as a substitute driver for Weaver bussing pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

45. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the agreement between Southern Fulton School District, Healthy Communities Partnership, Franklin-Fulton County MJ/ID/EI, and Franklin-Fulton County Drug and Alcohol for the 2022-2023 school year.

Brian Pittman- yes Tony Shives-yes
Jon Diffenderfer-yes Timothy Mellott- yes
Jada Smith- yes Allen Morton- yes
Patrick Bard - yes
“7” yes “0” members no. Motion carried.

46. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to approve the agreement between Southern Fulton School District and Donald Francis as a School Security Officer.

Brian Pittman- yes Tony Shives-yes
Jon Diffenderfer-yes Timothy Mellott- yes
Jada Smith- yes Allen Morton- yes
Patrick Bard - yes
“7” yes “0” members no. Motion carried.

47. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to approve the updated agreement between Southern Fulton School District and William Baker as School Police Officer.

Brian Pittman- yes Tony Shives-yes
Jon Diffenderfer-yes Timothy Mellott- yes
Jada Smith- yes Allen Morton- yes
Patrick Bard - yes
“7” yes “0” members no. Motion carried.

48. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the independent contracting agreement between Southern Fulton School District and Dr. Robert Gregory whereas Dr. Gregory will perform psychological evaluations and re-evaluations for Southern Fulton School District students.

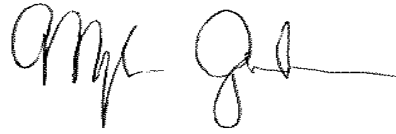
Brian Pittman- yes Tony Shives-yes
Jon Diffenderfer-yes Timothy Mellott- yes
Jada Smith- yes Allen Morton- yes
Patrick Bard - yes
“7” yes “0” members no. Motion carried.

49. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to approve the agreement between Soliant Health, LLC and Southern Fulton School District whereas Soliant Health, LLC will provide psychological services through VocoVision.

Brian Pittman- yes Tony Shives-yes
Jon Diffenderfer-yes Timothy Mellott- yes
Jada Smith- yes Allen Morton- yes
Patrick Bard - yes
“7” yes “0” members no. Motion carried.

50. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to adjourn the meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. J. G.", written over a horizontal line.

Signature _

Date 9/22/2022