

# **SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

13083 Buck Valley Road  
WARFORDSBURG, PA 17267

October 16, 2018

7:30 p.m.

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

The board meeting began at 8:00 p.m. in the library of the high school in Warfordsburg, Pennsylvania. The following members were present: Patrick Bard, Jeff Hull, Eric Barnhart, Richard Morgan, Timothy Mellott, Mark Mosemann, Donnie Gordon, Kirk Layton, and Allen Morton. The meeting was conducted by the board president, Allen Morton.

Also present were Tara Will, superintendent; Meredith Hendershot, high school principal; Kathy Cutchall, elementary principal; Diane Younker, special education director; Doug Leisher, technology specialist; MaryAnn Johnson, board secretary; Connor Elbin, student representative.

Visitors present were: Brian Pittman, Mike Breslin, Dorothy Hixon, and Lori Bard.

1. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Allen Morton.
2. Mrs. Tara Will, Mr. Mike Breslin, Mrs. Kathy Cutchall and Mrs. Meredith Hendershot presented on district data and goals for the future that will be aligned to the strategic plan for the district.
3. Mrs. Tara Will reported on the new website, online ticket system, possibility of a student teacher for music, upcoming band and FFA participation in the Fall Folk Festival parade, 3<sup>rd</sup> bus inspections as listed in the contract, the participation of the National Art Honor Society in the Paint the Plow project and updated the board on the progress of the Elementary secure entrance with an estimated completion date of November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
4. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Kirk Layton 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.**
5. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to add to the agenda the motion recommending approval to hire Shonda Price as a game

manager for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

6. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to add to the agenda the motion recommending approval of a “School Bus Turn Around Ahead” sign on each side of the road at 1374 Mckibben Lane. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
7. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to add to the agenda the motion recommending approval to accept with regret the resignation from Julianna Wert as Speech and Language Pathologist effective December 30, 2018. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
8. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to add to the agenda the motion recommending approval to advertise for a Speech and Language Pathologist for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
9. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to add to the agenda the motion recommending approval to accept with regret the resignation from Karen Smartt as band front advisor effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
10. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to add to the agenda the motion recommending approval to advertise for a band front advisor for the 2019-2020 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
11. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2018 Board Meeting to include the correction of the meeting location from elementary to high school. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
12. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the payment of bills for September. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
13. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the financial reports for September. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
14. A motion was made by Mr. Eric Barnhart and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to accept with regret the letter of resignation from Keith Potter as Varsity Baseball Coach effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
15. A motion was made by Mr. Eric Barnhart and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to accept with regret the letter of resignation from Julianna Wert as Speech and Language Pathologist effective December 30, 2018. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

16. A motion was made by Mr. Eric Barnhart and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to accept with regret the letter of resignation from Karen Smartt as band front advisor effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
17. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Richard Morgan to hire Damon Gordon as an unpaid volunteer elementary boys assistant basketball coach for the 2018-2019 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
18. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to hire Stacy Smith as a paid volunteer varsity assistant softball coach for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
19. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to hire Cherish Harvey as a paid volunteer elementary girls' assistant basketball coach for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
20. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to hire Randi Pittman as an unpaid volunteer elementary girls' assistant basketball coach for the 2018-2019 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
21. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to hire Chris Harvey as an unpaid volunteer elementary girls' assistant basketball coach for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
22. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to hire Diane Palmer as a substitute teacher for the 2018-2019 school year pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
23. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to hire Shonda Price as a game manager for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
24. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hull to advertise for a varsity baseball coach for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
25. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hull to advertise for a Speech and Language Pathologist for the 2018-2019 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
26. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Bard and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hull to approve an unpaid leave of absence under the FMLA of 1993 pursuant to the law and regulation for a professional employee beginning approximately January 21, 2019 through 6 to 8 weeks. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

27. A motion was made by Mr. Richard Morgan and seconded by Mr. Eric Barnhart to approve of the Special Education Supervisor job description. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
28. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to approve for the Southern Fulton volleyball team to attend a college level competition at Penn State on November 17, 2018. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
29. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Donnie Gordon to approve for the scholastic scrimmage team to have the option of staying overnight at a hotel before their regular season competitions that are long distance for the 2018-2019 school year at no expense to the district. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
30. A motion was made by Mr. Richard Morgan and seconded by Mr. Kirk Layton to approve of a "School Bus Turn Around Ahead" sign on each side of the road at 1374 Mckibben Lane. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
31. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk Layton and seconded by Mr. Patrick Bard to approve for the Southern Fulton National Honor Society to use the high school cafeteria retroactive on October 13, 2018 from 7:00p.m. to 10:00p.m. for the Homecoming Dance. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
32. Mr. Donnie Gordon reviewed the Buildings and Grounds Committee minutes from the meeting held on September 24, 2018. Mr. Gordon also discussed the research he had done on fixing the wall and adding bleachers to the track/soccer area at the high school. The board asked the Mr. Gordon continue to research the different options and regulation requirements.
33. Mr. Jeff Hull reported that the safe school grants applied for through the state were denied with no reason given. Eric Barnhart would like to make this as public as possible and encourage the people in our community to contact our state representative to complain. Mr. Hull also announced that the Safety Committee meetings will now be held every other month on the second Monday in the district office at 4:30p.m.
34. Mr. Richard Morgan reported that the Personnel Committee met on October 11<sup>th</sup> and discussed the Assistant Maintenance position, the Music Teacher position, and the employee morale survey.
35. A motion was made by Mr. Eric Barnhart and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to go into executive session for personnel and negotiation reasons with action to follow. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Executive session began at 9:46p.m and ended at 11:25p.m.

36. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Kirk Layton to approve a sabbatical for restorative health for a professional employee starting at the beginning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period thru the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period if needed. If used this must be for the full half of the school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

37. A motion was made by Mr. Eric Barnhart and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to adjourn the meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

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Date \_\_\_\_\_