DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

May 8, 2007

The Danville Area School Board held their first regular meeting in the Senior High School Cafeteria on Tuesday, May 8, 2007.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Randy Keister followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL - Board Members

Mrs. Helen Hause, Mrs. Kellie Krum, Mr. Filiberto Martinez, Dr. Paul Moser, Mrs. Megan Raup, Mr. Allan Schappert, Mr. Steve Schooley, Mr. Randy Keister, were present.

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Steven Keifer, Superintendent; Mr. Richard B. Snodgrass, Business Administrator; Mrs. Gwen Belding, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Mr. Craig Burger, Principal, High School; Ms. Cynthia Hutchinson, Assistant Principal, High School; Mr. Kevin Duckworth, Principal, Middle School; Ms. Abbey Walshaw-Wertz, Assistant Principal, Middle School; Mr. Daniel Rathfon, Principal, Liberty-Valley Elementary; Mrs. Molly Nied, Principal Danville Elementary; Mr. Scott Zimmerman, Principal, Riverside Elementary; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Maintenance; Mrs. Daphne Snook, Director of Technology; Mr. James Garringer, Director of Network Administration; and approximately 5 members of the staff and public, and news media.

Approval of Minutes of April 10, 2007 and April 24, 2007

Motion:
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2007 and April 24, 2007 Board meetings.

The motion was seconded by Sis Hause.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Mr. Keifer reviewed the Enrollment Report, noting that enrollment continues to remain relatively stable

B. Mr. Keifer made the following announcements:

- National Teacher Appreciation Week is being observed May 6 – 12, 2007.
- Middle School NHS Induction will be held on May 9th at 6:00 p.m.
- High School NHS Induction will be held on May 10th at 7:30 p.m.
- DAESPA Negotiations Meeting – May 16th at 5:30 p.m.
- DEA Negotiations Meeting – June 4, 2007
- Valediction – June 7th at 7:00 p.m.
- Graduation – June 8th at 7:00 p.m., in stadium, weather permitting

C. Craig Burger noted that employee recognition will be made before their respective presentations.

D. There here was an Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss personnel.

II. Student Representative Report

There was no student representative report at this time.

III. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

IV. Curriculum and Management Report

A. Cooperative Education Program Report

Mr. Burger recognized Laurie Allison for her eight years of teaching Business and Accounting at Danville High School, and commended her for her outstanding work with the High School Cooperative Education Program.

Mrs. Allison presented information on the High School Cooperative Education Program, a partnership in education with local employers that takes learning outside of the school building.

Tierney Bross, 12th grade High School student, discussed her experience with a Co-op program at Geisinger's Janet Weiss Children's Hospital and explained the Co-op's significance in her decision to attend Shippensburg University and Thomas Jefferson School of Nursing to pursue a career in nursing.

Mrs. Allison shared experiences of students involved with other Danville High School Co-op programs and explained the benefits it has provided them. She also explained the application and placement process, and evaluation and grading for Co-op students.

B. Introduction To Academies Progress Report.

Mr. Burger recognized Tim Morgan for his outstanding work as a Danville High School Guidance Counselor and commended him for developing and initiating the Introduction To Academies class.

Tim Morgan discussed the basis of the Introduction To Academies class which is offered to all freshman, and is designed to help students explore various careers.

V. School and Community Relations

VI. Finance

Motion: (Approving Financial Items VI. A. through G.)
A motion was made by Allan Schappert to approve Agenda items VI A. through G.

A. Financial Reports Summary
B. Treasurer's Report
C. Cash Status Report
D. Temporary Investments
E. Temporary Investments
F. Bills for Payment – April 4, 2007 through May 2, 2007
G. Appointment of Public Finance Management SWAP Advisor and Mette, Evans and Woodside as Bond Counsel.

The motion was seconded by Fil Martinez.
The motion was approved on a roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent (Bisordi).

VII. Personnel

Motion: **(Approving personnel changes)**
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve Personnel agenda items VII A. through C.

A. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of Stacy Wallick as an Aide effective at the close of the 2006-2007 school year.

B. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant the approval of additions to the 2006-2007 Substitute List (Teachers, Teacher Aides, Custodians, Cafeteria Workers, Secretaries, etc.).

C. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant the approval of FMLA for up to twelve weeks to be compensated to the extent of sick days available and uncompensated for the remainder, for Glenna Rynda, beginning May 7, 2007.

The motion was seconded by Sis Hause.
The motion was approved on a roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent (Bisordi).

VIII. School Property and Supplies

IX. Policy & Insurance

Motion: (To approve Policy and Insurance Item A)
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve Policy and Insurance Item A.

A. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant the first reading of the following policies.

#302 – Administrative Employees - Employment of Superintendent/ Assistant Superintendent
#303 – Administrative Employees - Employment of Administrators
#324 – Administrative Employees - Personnel Files
#404 – Professional Employees - Employment of Professional Employees
#405 – Professional Employees - Employment of Substitute Professional Employees
#406 – Professional Employees - Employment of Summer School Staff
#407 – Professional Employees - Student Teachers/Interns
#424 – Professional Employees – Personnel Files
#504 – Classified Employees – Employment of Classified Employees
#505 – Classified Employees – Employment of Substitute and Short-term Employees
#524 – Classified Employees – Personnel Files
#805 – Operations – Emergency Preparedness
#806 – Operations – Child/Student Abuse
#807 – Operations – Opening Exercises/Flag Displays
#810 – Operations – Transportation
#818 – Operations – Contracted Services

The motion was seconded by Allan Schappert.
The motion was approved on a roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent (Bisordi).

Motion: (To approve Policy and Insurance Items B through E.)
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve Policy and Insurance Items B. through E.

B. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Alternative Education for Disruptive Youth Agreement for Services with Bethesda Day Treatment Center, Inc.

C. Approval of Educational Specifications Committee for Elementary Facility Project. Mr. Keifer recommended that Ricki Boyle be added to the Educational Specifications Committee.

Steve Schooley requested that e-mails be sent to remind Board Members of the committee meeting times.

D. Approval of Building Committee for Elementary Facility Project.

E. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant the approval of Mid-Penn Engineering Corporation to provide surveying services at an estimated cost of $4,980.

The motion was seconded by Sis Hause.
The motion was approved on a roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent (Bisordi).

X. Athletics

XI. Transportation

A. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant the approval of Kimberly Crowley of 15 East Market Street, Danville, PA, as a bus driver for Joe & Jans.

B. The Board take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant the approval of Kimberly Crowley of 15 East Market Street, Danville, PA, as a bus driver for Joe & Jans.

XII. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

Steve Schooley suggested that the district explore the use of student ID cards. Mr. Keifer said this item will be discussed at the Administrative Team meeting.

Ricki Boyle invited Board Members to the “Project Able” taking place in the library tonight.

Adjournment:
At 8:03 p.m. a motion was made by Jim Moser and seconded by Sis Hause to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Richard B. Snodgrass
Board Secretary

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Susan B. Hancock
Assistant Board Secretary