

SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

13083 Buck Valley Road
WARFORDSBURG, PA 17267

January 16, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

The board meeting began at 7:00 p.m. in the library of the high school in Warfordsburg, Pennsylvania with visitors attending in person. The following members were present: Timothy Mellott, Nikki Stewart, Tony Shives, Jada Smith, Jon Diffenderfer, Allen Morton, Mark Mosemann, and Patrick Bard. The meeting was conducted by the board president, Patrick Bard.

Also present were: Meredith Hendershot, superintendent; Laurel Keegan, director of special education; Tyler Burns, elementary principal; Jeremy Hollinshead, high school principal; Cindy Flaherty, director of educational support services; Jennifer Mellott, business manager; MaryAnn Johnson, board secretary.

Also present via Google Meet were: David Cason, Director of Operations

Visitors present were: Mika Ah Loe

1. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Patrick Bard.
2. Mr. Mika Ah Loe addressed concerns regarding school delay/closing calls, the Elementary Christmas program, and privacy stalls between urinals in the boy's bathrooms
3. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann 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.**
4. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the minutes from the December 5, 2023, Board Meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
5. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the payment of bills for December. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
6. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the financial reports for November. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

7. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the financial reports for December. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
8. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to accept with regret the resignation of Adrian Weller as High School Assistant Musical Director effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
9. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to hire Willis Hendershot as Boys Junior High Assistant Baseball Coach for the 2023-2024 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
10. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to hire Karlie Pelton as High School Assistant Musical Director for the 2023-2024 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
11. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to hire Morgan Stallman as a substitute teacher for the 2023-2024 school year under Act 86 of 2016. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
12. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to change the head coach for the Southern Fulton Trap Team from John Keefer to Daryl Carbaugh. This is an unpaid volunteer position. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
13. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve the leave request of Linda Bolden as paraprofessional from January 16, 2024, to approximately April 5, 2024, to complete student teaching for her degree. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
14. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve Linda Bolden as a student teacher under the supervision of Amber Leader and Tyler Burns for the Spring of 2024 beginning on January 16, 2024. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
15. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith of the 2024-2025 school calendar. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
16. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith for the Animation Jr. Class to go to Mellott Company on January 17, 2024, to shoot onsite film footage. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
17. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to purchase a Kiln at the high school using uncommitted funds from previous graduation class accounts. (This is allowable per Board Policy #618) **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
18. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the first reading of the following policies:

- a. Policy 200, Pupils, Enrollment of Students
- b. Policy 202, Pupils, Eligibility of Nonresidents Students
- c. Policy 217, Pupils, Graduation
- d. Policy 254, Pupils, Education Opportunity for Military Children
- e. Policy 810, Operations, Transportation

VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.

19. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the second reading of the following policies:

- a. Policy 323, Administrative Employees, Tobacco and Vaping Products
- b. Policy 342, Administrative Employees, Jury Duty
- c. Policy 423, Professional Employees, Tobacco and Vaping Products
- d. Policy 442, Professional Employees, Jury Duty
- e. Policy 525, Support Employees, Tobacco and Vaping Products
- f. Policy 542, Support Employees, Jury Duty

VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.

20. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to approve the Act 1 resolution.

Allen Morton- yes	Mark Mosemann- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes	Jada Smith- yes
Nikki Stewart- yes	Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Tony Shives- yes	Patrick Bard- yes

“8” yes “0” no members. Motion carried.

21. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve Weaver Busing, LLC to resign from Bus #1, #2, #4, #5, and #13 contracts effective June 30, 2024.

Allen Morton- yes	Mark Mosemann- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes	Jada Smith- yes
Nikki Stewart- yes	Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Tony Shives- yes	Patrick Bard- yes

“8” yes “0” no members. Motion carried.

22. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept Request for Proposals for Bus Routes #1, #2, #4, #5, and #13 beginning on July 1, 2024.

Allen Morton- yes	Mark Mosemann- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes	Jada Smith- yes
Nikki Stewart- yes	Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Tony Shives- yes	Patrick Bard- yes

“8” yes “0” no members. Motion carried.

23. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve the agreement between Pyramid Healthcare, Inc., t/d/b/s Soaring Heights School Educational Services Agreement.

Allen Morton- yes	Mark Mosemann- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes	Jada Smith- yes
Nikki Stewart- yes	Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Tony Shives- yes	Patrick Bard- yes

“8” yes “0” no members. Motion carried.

24. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to

approve the Ellsworth Electric, Inc. quote for the replacement of parking lot lights at the high school.

Allen Morton- yes Mark Mosemann- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes Jada Smith- yes
Nikki Stewart- yes Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Tony Shives Patrick Bard- yes
"8" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

25. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to approve the A D Mechanical LLC quote for HVAC services in the AG shop at the high school to be paid from the capital improvement fund.

Allen Morton- yes Mark Mosemann- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes Jada Smith- yes
Nikki Stewart- yes Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Tony Shives- yes Patrick Bard- yes
"8" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

26. Mrs. Meredith Hendershot thanked the board for their service and honored the board members with certificates and food for board appreciation month.

27. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to go into executive session for personnel reasons with adjournment to follow. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Executive session began at 7:31 p.m. and ended at 8:42 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.



Signature _____

Date 2/21/2024