

# **SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

13083 Buck Valley Road  
WARFORDSBURG, PA 17267

May 21, 2024

6:30 p.m.

## Board Meeting Minutes

The board meeting began at 7:01 p.m. in the library of the high school in Warfordsburg, Pennsylvania with visitors attending in person. The following members were present: Timothy Mellott, Brian Pittman, Jada Smith, Jon Diffenderfer, Allen Morton, Nikki Stewart, Tony Shives, 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; Jeremy Hollinshead, high school principal; Tyler Burns, elementary principal; Cindy Flaherty, director of educational support services; David Cason, director of operations; Jennifer Mellott, business manager; MaryAnn Johnson, board secretary.

1. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Patrick Bard.
2. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith 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.**
3. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2024, Board Meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
4. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to approve the payment of bills for April. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
5. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to approve the financial reports for March. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
6. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to approve the financial reports for April. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
7. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to accept with regret the resignation of Betsy Shingleton as Prom Advisor effective the end of the 2023-2024 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion**

carried.

8. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to accept with regret the resignation of Jeremy Clingerman as jv/varsity boys' basketball assistant coach effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
9. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to accept with regret the resignation of Sara Swope as varsity girls' assistant soccer coach effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
10. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to accept with regret the resignation of William Baker as school district police officer effective June 30, 2024. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
11. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to hire Leslie Horton as a homebound instructor for the 2023-2024 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
12. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to hire Goldie Pennington as a substitute custodian for the 2023-2024 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
13. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to hire Grace Mosemann as an Elementary teacher as step 1 column 1 for the 2024-2024 school year.  
Allen Morton- yes                      Mark Mosemann- abstain  
Timothy Mellott- yes                      Jada Smith- yes  
Brian Pittman- yes                      Jon Diffenderfer- yes  
Nikki Stewart- yes                      Tony Shives- yes  
Patrick Bard- yes  
"8" yes "0" no "1" abstain members. Motion carried.
14. Grace Mosemann introduced herself to the board.
15. Bob Strait invited Southern Fulton 10-15-year-old students to Youth Field Day on June 1, 2024.
16. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to advertise for a prom advisor for the 2024-2025 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
17. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to advertise for a junior high girls' assistant basketball coach for the 2024-2025 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
18. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to advertise for a JV/Varsity boys' assistant basketball coach for the 2024-2025 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
19. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to

advertise for a varsity girls' assistant soccer coach for the 2024-2025 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

20. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve the administrative assistant/board secretary job description. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
21. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the list of seniors eligible for the Southern Fulton High School 2024 graduation pending all graduation requirements are met. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
22. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the updated school calendar for the 2024-2025 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
23. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve for incoming 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders to attend a 2-day fly fishing/Flight 93 trip on June 3<sup>rd</sup>&4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>&6<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>&11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>&13<sup>th</sup>, and July 15<sup>th</sup>&16<sup>th</sup> at Flight 93 National Park, Yellowcreek, Juniata & surrounding streams. Students will depart at 8:10 a.m. and return at 3:00 p.m. each day. This is sponsored by a National Parks Foundation Grant. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
24. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve incoming 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders to attend a trip to Cacapon State Park on July 11, 2024. Students will depart at 9:00 a.m. and return at 3:00 p.m. This is sponsored by a personal donation & teacher trade-off day. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
25. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve incoming Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> graders to attend a trip to the Pennsylvania State Police Station, McConnellsburg Fire Station, and the Carlic Knot on July 18, 2024. Students will depart at 9:00 a.m. and return at 3:00 p.m. This trip is sponsored through a personal donation & teacher trade-off day. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
26. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve for the boys' basketball team to use the High School gymnasium July 29-31, 2024, for Basketball camp from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Sundays in September & October for Fall league from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
27. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve for the soccer teams to use the High School soccer field, Elementary field beside the District Office, and Elementary or High School gym depending on weather July 15<sup>th</sup> through July 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. for soccer camp. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
28. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman

to approve retroactive for the PTO to use the Elementary gymnasium on May 10, 2024, for the annual 6<sup>th</sup>-grade dance. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

29. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve for the girls' varsity basketball team to use the High School gym July 24, 25, & 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for basketball camp. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

30. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve for the girls' varsity basketball team to use the High School gym on Mondays and Wednesdays from June 17<sup>th</sup> through July 29<sup>th</sup> for basketball rec from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

31. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve retroactive for the junior high track & field to use the High School cafeteria on May 20, 2024, from 5:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for their end-of-the-year banquet. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

32. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the Tuscarora Intermediate Unit to use the Elementary band room on July 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> & August 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> for occupational therapy. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

33. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the music department to use the High School band room and the track & field for band camp from July 8<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

34. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the music department to use the High School auditorium on Saturday, December 14, 2024, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for a Christmas concert. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the music department to use the High School auditorium on Saturday, May 17, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for a Spring concert. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

35. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the Bus Route 2 contract.

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

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

36. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the Bus Route 4 contract.

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

37. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the Bus Route 5 contract.

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

38. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the Bus Route 13 contract.

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

39. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the 2024-2025 Fulton County Center for Career & Technology Budget in the amount of \$1,161,188.00.

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

40. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to approve the following positions for the 2024-2024 school year:

Truist as Treasurer

Truist as Depository of Funds

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

41. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the following cafeteria lunch prices for the 2024-2025 school year:

Elementary Breakfast- Free  
Elementary Lunch- \$2.50  
High School Breakfast- Free  
High School Lunch \$2.80  
Adult Breakfast \$2.50  
Adult Lunch \$4.75

Allen Morton- yes      Mark Mosemann- yes

Timothy Mellott- yes      Jada Smith- yes  
 Brian Pittman- yes      Jon Diffenderfer- yes  
 Nikki Stewart- yes      Tony Shives- yes  
 Patrick Bard- yes  
 "9" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

42. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve Beard Legal Group PC, as solicitor for the 2024-2025 school year at a rate of \$175.00 per hour for special education, negotiations, labor and employment, and litigation.

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

43. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve the agreement between Southern Fulton School District and Extended Family Programs, Inc. and Appalachia Intermediate Unit 08 from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, to provide treatment and educational services.

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

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

Executive session began at 7:28 p.m. and ended at 7:54 p.m.

45. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to approve the tentative budget for the 2024-2025 school year for a total of \$15,321,302.00.

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


46. A motion was made by Mr. Brian Pittman and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the following taxes:

Real Estate Taxes	29.7981 Mills
Section 679 Per Capita Taxes	\$5.00
Act 511 Per Capita Taxes	\$5.00
Earned Income Tax	1%
Real Estate Transfer Tax	1%
Penalties	Maximum
Allen Morton- yes	Mark Mosemann- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes	Jada Smith- yes

Brian Pittman- yes      Jon Diffenderfer- yes  
Nikki Stewart- yes      Tony Shives- yes  
Patrick Bard- yes  
"9" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

47. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Brian Pittman to adjourn the meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Signature   
Date 6/26/24

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