

SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

13083 Buck Valley Road
WARFORDSBURG, PA 17267

January 21, 2025

6:30 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

Prior to the board meeting, an executive session was held for personnel reasons. Executive session began at 6:42 p.m. and ended at 7:35 p.m.

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

The board meeting began at 7:37 p.m. in the library of the high school in Warfordsburg, Pennsylvania with visitors attending in person. The following members were present: Timothy Mellott, Jada Smith, Jon Diffenderfer, Mark Mosemann, Jeff Hull, Allen Morton, Nikki Stewart, Tony Shives, 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; David Cason, director of operations; Jennifer Mellott, business manager; MaryAnn Johnson, board secretary; Kent Hendershot, athletic director.

Visitors present were: Amanda Keiper, Chase Keiper, Colin Keiper, Peggy Bernhard, Eugene Hann, Sherry Hann, Willis Hendershot, Kelly Hendershot, Cherish Harvey, Dane Harvey, John Schriever, Danny Pelton, Mika Ah Loe, Drew Harrington, Michelle Hann, Jeremy Hann, Garrett Rees

2. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Patrick Bard.
3. Mr. Garrett Reese introduced himself to the board as the 7-12th math teacher.
4. Several community members spoke on behalf of Jeremy Hann, the varsity boys' basketball coach.
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 Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting on December 3, 2024. **VOICE**

VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.

7. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the payment of bills for December. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
8. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the financial reports for November. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
9. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the financial reports for December. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
10. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to accept with regret the resignation of Bailey Burkett as girls' varsity assistant soccer coach effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
11. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to hire Garrett Reese at Step 1, Column 1 as a 7-12 grade math teacher effective January 22, 2025. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
12. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to hire Sherry Northcraft as a long-term substitute from approximately April 19, 2025, through the end of the 2024-2025 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
13. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve an unpaid leave of absence under the FMLA of 1993 pursuant to the law and regulation for a professional employee from approximately April 19, 2025, through June 6, 2025. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
14. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hull to advertise for an assistant girls' varsity soccer coach for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
15. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the 2025-2026 school calendar. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
16. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve the first reading of the following policies:
 - a. Policy 610, Finances, Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
 - b. Policy 611, Finances, Purchases Budgeted
 - c. Policy 626, Finances, Federal Fiscal Compliance Procurement Attachment**VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
17. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Ms. Nikki Stewart to approve the second reading of the following policies:

- a. Policy 808, Operations, Food Services
- b. Policy 808.2, Operations, Meal Accounts

Allen Morton- no	Tony Shives- no
Timothy Mellott- no	Jada Smith- yes
Jon Diffenderfer- yes	Nikki Stewart- yes
Jeff Hull- yes	Patrick Bard- no

“5” yes “4” no members. Motion carried.

18. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hull to approve the National Honor Society to use the High School Cafeteria/Gym on March 7, 2025, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for a dance. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

19. A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Stewart and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to increase the substitute support staff rate to \$13.00 per hour.

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

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

20. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to go into executive session for personnel reasons followed by agenda action and adjournment. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

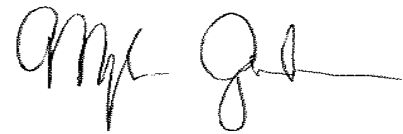
Executive session began at 8:15 p.m. and ended at 9:44 p.m.

21. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve for Employee X to have unpaid time off for health reasons as needed for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.

Allen Morton- no	Tony Shives- no
Timothy Mellott- no	Jada Smith- no
Jon Diffenderfer- no	Nikki Stewart- no
Jeff Hull- no	Mark Mosemann- no
Patrick Bard- no	

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



Signature _____

Date 2/19/2025