

A Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, August 26, 2008 in the Campus Audion. Present were Directors Charles Bartolet, Susan Baxter, Edward Inghrim, Michael Karabin, Sandra Miller (left the meeting at 7:52PM); Lachlan Peeke, Ralph Puerta, Sharon Stack, and George Torrella. Others present were Sandra G. Fellin, Ed.D., Superintendent, and David Bonenberger, Board Secretary.

An Executive Session for the purpose of personnel, negotiations, and legal matters was held prior to the meeting.

- I. Call to the Order – Mr. Ralph Puerta, President, presiding
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Recording of Attendance – Mr. David Bonenberger, Secretary  
9-present, 0-absent
- IV. Announcement of Executive Sessions –  
August 26, 2008 - Personnel, Negotiations, and Legal
- V. Approval of Minutes - August 12, 2008

Director Bartolet, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to approve the Minutes of August 12, 2008. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

- VI. Recognition
  - A. UCA Cheerleading All-American Nominations

Congratulations to the following team members and coaches for their nomination by the UCA to perform at the Capital One Bowl in Orlando, Florida: Courtney Amelio, Aubrie Bisson, Courtney Bisson, Alexandra Harte, Amanda Kirka, Natalie Magan, Nicole Mautino, Halina McCain, Meghan McCullough, Shannon Parsons, Emma Schanzenbach, Nicole Snyder, Lauren Wolfe, Alicia Zagwoski, Janelle Chunko (Assistant Coach), Nancy Harte (Head Coach).

Congratulations to the following individuals for their nomination by the UCA to perform at the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade: Nicole Snyder, Alexandra Harte, Emma Schanzenbach

Congratulations to the following individuals for their nomination by the UCA to perform at the New Year's Parade in London, England: Aubrie Bisson, Natalie Magan, Amanda Kirka

- VII. Presentation
  - A. 2008 PSSA Assessment Results (Math, Reading, & Writing) - James Deegan
  - B. Strategic Plan
- VIII. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Sandra Fellin, Superintendent
  - A. First Draft of Administrative Goals for 2008-09
- IX. Citizens' Comments – Agenda Items Only – Visitors should state their name and address.
- X. Presentation of Bills – David Bonenberger
  - A. General Expenditures - \$379,929.33  
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  - B. Health Benefits – \$254,426.07

Director Karabin, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to approve the Presentation of Bills. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller).

- XI. Treasurer's Report – Edward Inghrim/David Bonenberger
  - A. Condensed Board Summary Report
  - B. Cash, Investment and Bond Activity
  - C. Expansion Project Finance
  - D. Middle School Activity Report – July, 2008
  - E. High School Activity Report – July, 2008

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller).

- XII. Motion to Approve Agenda

Director Bartolet, seconded by Director Karabin, moved to approve the agenda. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller).

- A. Education

Items/Projects for Discussion and Possible Resolution

- A. Discussion for consideration of partial district funding for cheerleading UCA trip to the Capital One Bowl in Orlando, Florida.

Director Karabin moved to add a resolution to the board agenda to fund the cheerleading trip to the Capital One Bowl. No Second – Motion Failed.

1. Approve the first reading of the 2008-2014 Strategic Plan. (Handout)

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to approve Education Item 1. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller)

2. Approve the Saucon Valley Music Connection trip/cruise to Florida and Bahamas on April 23-27, 2009. All choirs and all bands will be competing. There is no cost to the district. All costs will be covered by the students and fundraising.

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Stack, moved to approve Education Item 2. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller)

B. Personnel

1. Authorize the establishment of a Catastrophic Sick Day Bank for use by bargaining unit members in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the Professional Contract between the Board of School Directors and The Saucon Valley Education Association.

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Karabin, moved to approve Personnel Item 1. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller)

2. Approve the following additions to the 2008-2009 substitute list:

Lindsay Baranowski - Elementary  
Matthew Daud – Emergency  
Lauren Fenstermaker – Elementary  
Dax Fleckenstein - Elementary  
Gayle Ramos – Emergency  
Amanda Stetler – Elementary and ESL  
Emily Trycinski – Emergency  
Robert Zelnick- Emergency

3. Approve the following mentor for the 2008-09 school year. Salary is per the current professional contract which is \$500.

Inductee	Mentor
Stephanie Laudenslager	Vivian Demko

4. Approve the following professional appointment. Salary is based on the 2007-08 contract and are subject to change following approval of the 2008-09 contract.

Colleen Whitehead as speech and language therapist pending receipt of PA certificate effective December 19, 2008, at a salary of \$45,229 (Masters, Step 1), which will be prorated. Ms. Whitehead will be replacing Cynthia Sterner, who will be retiring in December 2008.

5. Approve the following instructional teaching assistant:

Christa Laudenslager as part-time librarian assistant in the high school effective August 22, 2008 at an hourly salary of \$13.49, with benefits per the terms of the Educational Support Staff Employment Agreement. Ms. Laudenslager is replacing Patrice Hall who recently resigned.

6. Accept the resignation of the following instructional teaching assistant:

Kristen K. Pazzaglia as an elementary instructional teaching assistant effective August 19, 2008.

7. Approve the Recreational Swim Program staff and their salaries as listed below:

Heidi L. Weddigen-Weikert, Director, \$10.45/hour  
 Michael J. Karabin, Asst. Director, ~~\$10.45/hour~~ Volunteer  
 First Year Guards – Alex Wolf, Sara Pazzaglia, Zachary Oatis, and Kevin Boyd - \$7.15/hour;  
 Second Year Guards – Tyler Buddock, Kimberly Polizzano, Meaghan Peeke, Michael Lancaster - \$7.25/hour;  
 Third Year Guards – Morgan Kelleher and Michele Zapotocki - \$7.50/hour;  
 Four Year Guard – Rachael Oatis - \$7.50/hour;  
 Over Four Years – Kathleen Kelleher - \$7.60/hour; Kevin Weikert - \$8.10/hour; Stacy Siran - \$7.90/hour and \$10/hour as Instructor; Kelly Weikert - \$8.50/hour; Rachael Baxter - \$8.00/hour; Sarah Baxter - \$8.10/hour; Michael Karabin - ~~\$9.70/hour~~ Volunteer; Lachlan G. Peeke - \$9.50/hour; Heidi Weddigen-Weikert - \$10.30/hour; Lachlan P. Peeke - ~~\$11.30/hour~~ Volunteer; Jackie Peeke - \$11.05/hour.

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Bartolet, moved to approve Personnel Item 7. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no, 3-abstentions (Baxter, Karabin, Peeke), 1-absent (Miller)

8. Approve the following fall coach for the 2008-09 school year. Head coaches were approved at the July 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

Cross Country

Deanne Mulicka – assistant coach – volunteer

9. Accept the resignation of Darlene Mingora, Food Service Worker, effective August 21, 2008.
10. Accept the resignation of Robert Dottery, Substitute Bus Driver and Substitute Custodian, effective August 19, 2008.
11. Approve the following high school advisors/department chairs for the 2008-09 school year. Salaries are based on the 2007-08 contract and are subject to change following approval of the 2008-09 contract.

Advisors

Chorus - Dennis Smith - \$5,148

Class of 2008 - Chad Shirk - \$1,785

Class of 2009 - Manuela Ruiz - \$1,785

Class of 2010 - Martin Lewis - \$686

Class of 2011 - Tracy Knapp - \$686

Debate Team - Barbara Psathas - \$1,646

National Honor Society - Mario Marcozzi - \$686

Reading Competition - Amber Ziemba - Volunteer

Scholastic Scrimmage - Cameron Fowler - Volunteer

Ski Club - Bob Svitilla/Grant Geiger - Volunteers

Student Assistance Program - Sandy Eckert/Tracy Knapp

- Volunteers

Student Government – Len/Diane French - \$3,430

Yearbook - Maya Kowalczyk - \$2,745

Model UN - Michelle Horvath - \$542

TV Studio - Bob Frey - Volunteer

Astronomy Club - Bob Svitilla - Volunteer

Penn Cord - Bob Frey/Mario Marcozzi - Volunteers

AV Coordinator - Bob Frey - \$2,059

SADD - Lisa Allen - Volunteer

Department Chairpersons

Social Studies - Robert McHugh - \$2,000

Mathematics - Henry Kipp - \$2,000

English - Barbara Psathas - \$2,000

Foreign Language - Kasandra Diehl - \$2,000

Business - Richard Simononis - \$2,000  
Related Arts - Sandra Eckert - \$2,000  
Academic Service - Grant Geiger - \$2,000  
Science - Thomas Koch - \$2,000

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Stack, moved to approve Personnel Item 11. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller)

12. Approve Jane Hoff and Terese Payung as Substitute Health Room Assistants, to be employed on a "call as needed" basis at an hourly rate of \$9.70, no benefits, effective immediately

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Peeke, moved to approve Personnel Item 12. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller)

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Bartolet, moved to approve Personnel Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 10. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller)

C. Facilities

Items/Projects for Discussion and Possible Resolution

- A. Master Plan
- B. Transportation

No report or recommendations.

D. Finance

No report or recommendations.

E. Community Outreach

1. The next meeting of the Saucon Valley Partnership is scheduled September 10, 2008, 7 pm, at the Saucon Valley School District.

F. Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School – Lachlan Peeke/Sharon Stack  
(Meetings are first Tuesday of every month)

G. Colonial Intermediate Unit – Susan Baxter  
(Meetings are fourth Wednesday of every month)

H. PSBA – Susan Baxter/Sandra Miller

- I. Northampton Community College – Charles Bartolet  
(Meetings are first Thursday of every month)
- J. Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce – George Torrella
- K. New Business

XIII. Solicitor's Report

Director Baxter requested a monthly report of the solicitor's bills.

XIV. Citizen's Inquiries and Comments – Visitors should state their name and address.

XV. Announcements

Future Meetings ~ September 9, 2008 – 7:30 pm – Business Meeting  
High School Audion

September 23, 2008 – 7:30 pm – Business Meeting  
High School Audion

XVI. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Director Bartolet, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to adjourn the meeting. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Miller).

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary President