

A Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District on Tuesday, September 23, 2008 in the High School Auditorium. Present were Directors Charles Bartolet, Susan Baxter, Edward Inghrim, Michael Karabin, Sandra Miller, 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 –

September 12, 2008 - Personnel, Negotiations, and Legal  
September 18, 2008 - Personnel, Negotiations, and Legal  
September 23, 2008 - Personnel, Negotiations, and Legal

V. Approval of Minutes – September 9, 2008

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

VI. Recognition

VII. Presentation

A. Classrooms for the Future Presentation

VIII. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Sandra Fellin, Superintendent

A. Class Size Meeting – October 7, 2008 – 6-7:30 pm – HS Audion

IX. Citizens' Comments – Agenda Items Only – Visitors should state their name and address.

Director Baxter, seconded by Director Torrella, moved to approve a request for a summary of legal bills to be included in the Superintendent's Update.  
Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

- X. Presentation of Bills – David Bonenberger
  - A. General Expenditures - \$398,816.35

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Miller, moved to approve the Presentation of Bills. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

- XI. Treasurer's Report – Edward Inghrim/David Bonenberger
  - A. Cash, Investment and Bond Activity
  - B. Expansion Project Finance Report
  - C. High School Activity Report

Director Miller, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

- XII. Motion to Approve Agenda

Director Miller, seconded by Director Stack, moved to approve the agenda. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

- A. Education

- 1. Approve the following items as surplus:

- Thirty-three (33) – Amsco School Publication  
Premier Livre: Review Text in French First Year

- Eight (8) – Barron's Educational Series  
French Bilingual Dictionary: A Beginner's Guide in  
Words and Pictures

- One hundred sixty-five (165) – Prentice Hall  
Cells: Building Blocks of Life

- Attachment Surplus Items

- Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Bartolet, moved to approve Education Item 1. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

- B. Personnel

- 1. Approve the request from Jean Ruhf, Elementary Teacher, for a day without pay on January 20, 2009.

- Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Karabin, moved to approve Personnel Item 1. Vote: 8-yes, 1-no (Baxter).

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

- Karen Caiati – Elementary
- Karen Carolan - Music
- Melissa McShane – Emergency
- Chrissy Rigopoulos - Elementary
- Nathan Thompson – Social Studies

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Karabin, moved to approve Personnel Item 2. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

3. Approve the attached conference/travel requests.

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Bartolet, moved to approve Personnel Item 3. Vote: 7-yes, 2-no (Baxter, Puerta).

4. Retroactively approve the following coaches/volunteers for athletics beginning September 15, 2008 and continue for the duration of the strike:

Football

- Ed Chromczak – Interim Varsity/JV Head Coach
- John Bate – Volunteer
- Erik Gough – Volunteer
- Robert Taylor – Volunteer
- Michael Orban Sr. – Volunteer
- Nick Dailey – Volunteer
- Chris LaBatch – Volunteer
- Chris Fluck – Interim Middle School Head Coach – Volunteer

Soccer

- Carlos Coelho – Interim Varsity/JV Head Coach
- Michael Peck – Volunteer

Cross Country

- Sharon Stack – Volunteer
- Cindy Lohman – Volunteer

Field Hockey

- John Seneca – Interim Varsity/JV Head Coach – Volunteer
- Joanne Goglia – Interim MS Head Coach – Volunteer
- Cheyenne Rieman – Volunteer
- Kathleen Trimble – Volunteer
- Lee Geiter – Volunteer

Golf

- Glenn Kern – Interim Head Coach – Volunteer
- Linc Treadwell – Volunteer

Volleyball  
Denise Filo – Interim Head Coach – Volunteer  
Malisa Konkolics – Volunteer

Cheerleading  
Donna Schanzenbach – Volunteer

Marching Band  
Tom Rieger – Volunteer  
Volunteers  
Act 93 Administrators on an as needed basis

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Karabin, moved to approve Personnel Item 4. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

5. Approve Patrick McGovern as a First Year Guard for the Recreational Swim Program at an hourly salary of \$7.15.

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Karabin, moved to approve Personnel Item 5. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

C. Facilities

A. Discussion and Determination of the Priority Capital Projects 2008

1. Top Interests from Administration Concerning Facilities

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Miller, moved to approve the top interests from administration concerning facilities for consideration by the Facilities Project Committee. Vote: 8-yes, 1-no (Karabin) (Note: Director Stack will fill in for Director Karabin, who cannot attend meetings during the day)

2. Facilities Project Priority Listing

Director Peeke, seconded by Director Stack, moved to approve the Facilities Project Priority Listing with accurate costs submitted by The Architectural Studio.

Director Baxter, seconded by Director Torrella, moved to amend the motion to secure proposals from three companies. Discussion ensued.  
Director Baxter withdrew her motion to amend.

The vote to approve the Facilities Project Priority Listing with accurate costs submitted by the Architectural Studio was 9-yes, 0-no.

D. Finance

1. Approve the attached Resolution prepared by Bond Counsel for the Emmaus Bond Pool.

Director Miller, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to approve the Resolution prepared by Bond Counsel for the Emmaus Bond Pool. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

E. Community Outreach

The next meeting of the Saucon Valley Partnership is scheduled for October 8, 2008 at 7 pm at the Hellertown Borough.

- 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

Director Stack spoke about current legislation, Strike-Free Education Act, House Bill 1369, recommending board support for it because it is for non-binding arbitration.

Director Stack, seconded by Director Inghrim, moved to add this as an item to the next board agenda. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no.

XIII. Solicitor's Report

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

XV. Announcements

Future Meetings ~ October 14, 2008 – 7:30 pm – Business Meeting  
High School Audion

October 28, 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: 9-yes, 0-no.

Time: 10:00 PM

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

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President