

A Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 in the High School Audion. Present were Directors Susan Baxter, Jack Dowling, Bryan Eichfeld, Edward Inghrim, Michael Karabin, Linda Leewright, Sandra Miller, Ralph Puerta and Mark Sivak. Also present were Monica McHale-Small, Superintendent, Gina DiNino, Assistant Business Manager, and Mark Fitzgerald, District Solicitor.

- I. **Call to the Order** at 7:06 – *Michael Karabin, President, presiding*
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** – *David Bonenberger, Secretary*
9 - Present, 0 - absent
- IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda** - Director Miller, seconded by Director Sivak moved to approve the Agenda. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – August 9, 2016 - Personnel Evaluations
- VI. **Approval of Minutes** – Director Dowling, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve the minutes of July 26, 2016. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- VII. **Recognition**
- VIII. **Presentation**
- IX. **Superintendent’s Report** – *Dr. Monica McHale-Small, Superintendent*
- X. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only**
- XI. **Presentation of Bills** – *David Bonenberger*
 - A. General Expenditure – \$341,801.12
 - B. Cafeteria Expenditures – \$1,766.59
 - C. Health Benefits – None
 - D. Capital Projects – None
 1. Approve the above presentation of bills.

Director Inghrim, seconded by Director Sivak moved to approve the Presentation of the Bills. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- XII. **Treasurer’s Report** - *Edward Inghrim/David Bonenberger*
 - A. Cash Investment and Bond Activity – None
 - B. Condensed Board Summary Report – None
 - C. Capital Project Finance Report – None
 - D. Budget Transfers – None
 - E. Middle School Activity Report – None
 - F. High School Activity Report – None

No Report or Recommendations

A. Education

- A. Congratulate the following professional employee on receiving tenure on August 20, 2016:

Nicole Dilenno
Arianne Schnalzer
Megan Schemm

1. Review the current Policy #249 Bullying/Cyberbullying. According to the PA School Code, 24 PS 13-1303.1-A, Policy relating to bullying: (c) each school entity shall review its policy every three (3) years and annually provide the office with a copy of its policy relating to bullying.

Director Sivak, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve Education Item #1.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

2. Approve the second and final reading of the Gifted Education Plan.

Director Sivak, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve Education Item #2.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

B. Personnel

- 1 Approve the following professional resignation:

Jennifer Sakelarides, fifth grade teacher, effective when a suitable candidate is found.

2. Approve the following support staff retirement:

Patricia Oravec, custodian, effective October 7, 2016.

3. Approve the following professional transfers effective the 2016-17 school year. There is no change in salary.

Vivian Demko – from First Grade to Instructional Coach K-12

Karen Krupa – from Academic Services Coordinator to High School English/Gifted Teacher

Kerry Schultz – from Academic Service Coordinator to Instructional Coach K-12

Karen Kemper – from Social Studies/Science Grade 5 to Language Arts Grade 5

Laurie Paulson – from Mathematics Grade 5 to Social Studies/Science Grade 5

Jennifer Burkholder – from Grade 1 to Mathematic Grade 5

4. Approve the following mentor for the 2016-2017 school year. Salary for mentor is per the current professional agreement.

Mentor

Holli Conrad

Inductee

Heidi Mullen

5. Approve the request of Katie Palenchar for days without pay on August 31, 2016 and September 1, 2016. She will be using three personal days on August 26, 29, and 30.
6. Approve the attached conference/travel request(s).

Director Sivak, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve Personnel Items #1-6.
Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

C. Facilities

1. Approve the donation of obsolete rifles to Southern Lehigh School District. Rifles were previously declared obsolete on March 22, 2016.
2. Approve the attached list of obsolete/surplus items.

Director Miller, seconded by Director Sivak moved to approve Facilities Items #1 & 2.
Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

D. Finance

No Reports or Recommendations

E. Community Outreach

The next meeting of the Saucon Valley Partnership is scheduled for September 14, 2016, at 7 pm at Hellertown Borough. There are no meetings in July and August.

F. Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School – Jack Dowling and Bryan Eichfeld

G. Colonial Intermediate Unit – Sandra Miller

H. PSBA – Mark Sivak and Sandra Miller

I. Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce – Jack Dowling

J. Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation – Sandra Miller

K. Northampton Community College – Susan Baxter

L. New Business

M. Old Business

