

A Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, April 12, 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 was Monica McHale-Small, Superintendent, David Bonenberger, Board Secretary, and Mark Fitzgerald, District Solicitor.

I. Call to the Order at 7:05PM – *Michael Karabin, President, presiding*

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Recording of Attendance – *David Bonenberger, Secretary*
8-present, 1-absent (Inghrim)

IV. Motion to Approve Agenda

Director Miller, seconded by Director Sivak moved to approve the Agenda with Item # 2 under Education pulled. Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

V. Announcement of Executive Session - April 12, 2016 – Legal issues

VI. Approval of Minutes

Director Sivak, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve the minutes of March 22, 2016. Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

VII. Recognition
Swimming:

- Caroline Madigan - 2016 District XI AA Breaststroke Champion & PIAA State Swimming Qualifier
- Thomas Madigan - 2016 PIAA State Swimming Qualifier 200 IM

Wrestling:

- 2016 Colonial League Champions
- 2016 District XI AA Champions
- 2016 PIAA State AA Silver Medalists
- Jack Hill - 2016 District XI AA Champion 120lbs
- Jonah Zych - 2016 District XI AA Champion 126lbs
- Nathan Harka - 2016 District XI AA Champion 152lbs
- Devin Fontanez - 2016 District XI AA Champion 220lbs
- Chad Shirk - District XI Coaches Assoc., Express-Times & Morning Call Coach of the Year

Football:

- Matt Evancho - Recipient of the Semper Fi Coach Award Presented by the US Marine Corps.

VIII. Presentation

IX. Superintendent's Report – Thanked parents, teachers and admin for their help with the PSSA's. Middle School has been honored for their Mix It Up Day program. Congratulations to our Director of Food Service Patricia Bishop on being named President Elect of the School Nutrition Association of Pennsylvania.

X. Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items

XI. Presentation of Bills – *David Bonenberger*

- A. General Expenditure – \$536,344.47
- B. Cafeteria Expenditures – \$25,401.45
- C. Health Benefits – None
- D. Capital Projects – None

1. Approve the above presentation of bills.

Director Sivak, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve the Presentation of the Bills.

Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

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 –
- E. Middle School Activity Report – None
- F. High School Activity Report – None

1. Approve the above Treasurer's Report.

Director Sivak, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

A. Education

- A. Discussion of NWEA Measures of Academic Progress
 1. Approve the change to the 2015-16 school calendar. Monday, June 13, 2016 will be the last day for students. This will be a half day. (Last day for students was Tuesday, June 14th).
 2. ~~Approve the special education settlement agreement for student #12640.~~ Item was pulled from the agenda until next meeting.
 3. Approve the attached list of obsolete materials.

Director Miller, seconded by Director Sivak moved to approve the Education Items 1 & 3.

Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

B. Personnel

1. Approve the following substitute support staff:

Henry Kemmerer as a substitute custodian, at an hourly rate of \$10.39; substitute maintenance and substitute delivery truck driver at an hourly rate of \$11.79, on a "call as needed" basis, no benefits, effective immediately.

Lani Goins as substitute secretarial staff, at an hourly rate of \$9.99, on a "call as needed" basis, no benefits, effective immediately.
2. Approve May 24-27, 2016 as unpaid time off for Lori Bufanio, food service. She will be using her personal day on May 23, 2016.

3. Approve the following unpaid medical leaves:
 Michael Gerstenberg a medical leave from April 12, 2016, to approximately June 8, 2016. He will be using his 5.75 sick days and one personal day before beginning an unpaid medical leave.
 Diane Nickles is requesting a medical leave from April 1-29, 2016. She is using four sick days and one personal day before beginning an unpaid medical leave.
 Maryanne Coronel is requesting a medical leave from April 1, 2016, until May 1, 2016. She is using her two remaining personal days before beginning an unpaid medical leave.
4. Approve the following 2015-16 teacher substitute:
 Juan Garcia – Elementary and Mid-Level Mathematics Certified
5. Approve the attached conference/travel request(s).

Director Miller, seconded by Director Sivak moved to approve the Personnel Items 1 - 5.
 Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

C. Facilities

- A. Discuss the proposal by D’Huy Engineering, Inc. for facilities engineering/consulting services.

D. Finance

2016-2017 Budget Timeline for the 2015-2016 School Year

May 31, 2016 - *District Deadline* to adopt the 2016-17 proposed final budget and mail Certification of Use of PDE-2028 to the Department of Education.

June 10, 2016 (20 days prior to final budget adoption deadline) – *District Deadline* to make the 2016-17 Proposed Final Budget available for public inspection on PDE-2028.

June 20, 2016 (10 days prior to final budget adoption deadline) – *District Deadline* to offer public notice of its intent to adopt the 2016-17 final budget.

June 30, 2016 (annual deadline) – *District Deadline* to adopt the 2016-17 final budget.

- A. Discussion on Tax Collection
- B. 2016-17 Budget Discussion
1. Approve the award of bid for paper/janitorial products for 2016-17 in the amount of \$51,180.54 through Northampton-Monroe-Pike County Joint Purchasing. Attachment
2. Approve a resolution authorizing Wally Zimpfer to act as the designated agent on the District’s behalf with regard to the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Association meeting on April 19, 2016 to determine District’s eligibility for obtaining financial assistance resulting from the January Blizzard and District expenditures to clean up from the storm. Attachment

Director Miller, seconded by Director Sivak moved to approve the Finance Items 1 & 2.

Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

E. Community Outreach

The next meeting of the Saucon Valley Partnership is scheduled for May 11, 2016, at 7 pm at Saucon Valley School District.

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

G. Colonial Intermediate Unit – Susan Baxter

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

XIII. Citizen's Inquiries and Comments –

E. Luftig – Commented on the recent incidents at the HS and the ES. Wants to know what we get for our “for free” services from the county and what we get for the “for fee” services from outside agencies.

C. Dettmar – Followed up on the request he made several weeks ago. Commented on the recognition the athletics teams received and is proud of them. He wishes more students would go out for academic competitions so they too could be recognized for their accomplishments.

XIV. Announcements

Future Meetings ~

April 26, 2016 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – Audion

May 10, 2016 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – Audion

May 24, 2016 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – Audion

XV. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Director Baxter, seconded by Director Miller moved to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 8-yes, 0 – no, 1-absent (Inghrim)

8:58PM

ATTEST: _____

Secretary

President