

On August 23, 2010 the board meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Spring-Ford Area School District was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Spring-Ford High School with the following in attendance:

- Region I: Edward T. Dressler, Jr., Bernard F. Pettit and David R. Shafer
- Region II: Julie A. Mullin and Donna L. Williams
- Region III: Mark P. Dehnert and Thomas J. DiBello
- Presiding Officer: Joseph P. Ciresi
- Superintendent: Dr. Marsha R. Hurda
- Business Manager: Timothy Anspach
- Solicitor: Marc Davis, Esq.
- Student Rep.: Taylor Daily

Board President, Mr. Ciresi, opened the meeting with the call to order, roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Ciresi reminded all Spring-Ford Area School District families that the first day of school is coming up on Monday, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>. The district is looking forward to the student's return and wishes everyone a successful start to the 2010-11 school year. Mr. Ciresi stated that information regarding teachers and homeroom assignments, as well as student schedules, is now available via Skyward Family Access. He advised parents to please log in to view this important information, and remember to update their account if they have a new email address or other changes to their personal information.

**I. PRESENTATION**

Dr. Hurda stated that each year before the start of the school year we take this opportunity to publicly recognize all of our school administrators. Dr. Hurda said that for some parents the first time they have the experience and exposure to any of our administrators is when their child has back to school night. Dr. Hurda said tonight gives parents and Board Members an opportunity to get to see who the principals, supervisors and assistant principals are in all of our buildings. Dr. Hurda introduced Mr. Mitch Edmunds, the President of the district's Principals and Supervisor's Association. Each Principal and Supervisor introduced themselves and announced the building where they work.

Mr. Ciresi commented that the administrators have been working hard all summer in preparation for next week when over 7,700 of the district's students return for the start of the school year. Mr. Ciresi thanked the administrators for all that they do; he thanked the public for their support for the administration and the school district.

- A. Introduction of the 2010-2011 Spring-Ford Area School District Leadership Team.

The meeting recessed in order to have cake in celebration of Dr. Hurda's five years as Superintendent of the Spring-Ford Area School District and in honor of the Leadership Team. The meeting reconvened at 7:52 p.m.

**II. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Lorraine Schell, Montgomery Township, PA, commented that her family on her father's side is from the Royersford area and if you go to the Fernwood Cemetery you will find that her grandparents, great grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends are all buried there. She stated that we all understand that change is all around us and we all need to grow. She reported that tonight before coming to the meeting she ate at the Outback Restaurant so she did not want anyone to think she was holding the Outback against the Fernwood. Ms. Schell said the problem is that the cemetery is neglected and while her family was peacefully sleeping people who were in charge of perpetual care lost control. The cemetery started with 40 acres and now it is at 9.66 and according to the public record in 1999 it was sold for \$387,500 and in 2008 it was \$11,100,000 for the hotel and restaurant mortgage. She asked if someone could explain to her all of the real estate transactions that have taken place over the years. Ms. Schell said tonight's issue is to not allow an access road into the cemetery. She asked where the dignity and reverence were for the souls that were there to rest peacefully but while they were sleeping they were robbed. Ms. Schell referenced Public Law 397 #296 Cemeteries and Graveyards Protection Act. Ms. Schell stated that the act says that it is illegal to construct a street, lane, alley, or public road through a cemetery unless a future law specifically allows for it. Ms. Schell asked the Board to please vote against the access road and let the souls sleep peacefully.

Monica Rebbie, Limerick Township, said she is here to speak about the access road. She stated that she knows that it has been reported that graves will not be disturbed and it will not desecrate the cemetery in any way. Ms. Rebbie commented that the painted line that is there is only yards away from where her baby is buried and paces away from some of the other older graves that are there. Ms. Rebbie said she knows that the district has an issue with traffic and she herself has been part of the backup problem but she does not believe that going through the cemetery is the answer. Ms. Rebbie asked the Board to keep in mind that if there was someone they loved who was buried there would they want children driving through as there is bound to be loud music, profanity, and trash issues. Ms. Rebbie stated that all of this is definitely a disruption and she asked the Board to think hard before voting for the easement.

Alex DiGuseppe, Royersford, commented that he agrees with the people who spoke before him that there should not be a driveway there. Mr. DiGuseppe stated that he lives four houses away from the driveway and the traffic on the street right now is tremendous. He reported that he almost got hit four or five times since you cannot see what is coming from Lewis Road on down. Mr. DiGuseppe stated that there is enough traffic right now on the street and the Board should go against this.

Marc Davis commented that if the Board has any questions he will be glad to briefly explain what we are doing here tonight. Mr. Davis stated for the public's knowledge that the Board is not here to approve the easement but simply approving the first step. Mr. Davis said he will be happy to explain what the district is doing when we get to that part of the agenda.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Mullin made a motion to approve Items A-C and Mrs. Williams seconded it. The motion passed 8-0.

- A. The Board approved the May 24, 2010 Board Meeting minutes.
- B. The Board approved the June 21, 2010 Work Session minutes.
- C. The Board approved the June 28, 2010 Board Meeting minutes.

**IV. PERSONNEL**

Mr. Pettit made a motion to approve Items A-L and Mrs. Mullin seconded it. The motion passed 8-0.

**A. Resignations:**

- 1. **Jan Accor**, Oaks Elementary School; Administrative Assistant, for the purpose of retirement, effective August 5, 2010.
- 2. **John Cantwell**, PT (.50) High School; Business Education Teacher, effective July 12, 2010.
- 3. **Rachel M. Custer**, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Winter Play, effective August 12, 2010.
- 4. **Frances K. Garner**, High School; Special Education Teacher, effective July 16, 2010.
- 5. **Lea O'Brien**, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Instructional Assistant, effective July 19, 2010.
- 6. **Danielle Stauffer**, High School; Assistant Cross Country Coach, effective July 23, 2010.
- 7. **Lydia M. Wisler**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Registered Nurse, effective June 30, 2010.

**New Resignations:**

- 8. **Mary Heelan**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Part-time Food Service Employee, effective August 16, 2010.
- 9. **Joan Staples**, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Hockey Coach, effective August 18, 2010.

**B. Leaves of Absence:**

- 1. **Kelly O. Clarke**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Autistic Support Teacher, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with Board Policy, effective tentatively October 18, 2010 for up to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.
- 2. **Vicki Maumus**, 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; School Psychologist, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with Board Policy, effective tentatively October 30, 2010 for up to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.
- 3. **Vicki Murphy**, Limerick Elementary School; Kindergarten Teacher, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with Board Policy, effective August 24, 2010 for the 2010-2011 school year.

4. **Diane Obenshine**, District Office; Administrative Assistant, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with Board Policy, effective August 25, 2010 for up to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.
5. **Kristen Saylor**, Upper Providence Elementary School; Elementary Teacher, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with the Professional Agreement, effective tentatively October 15, 2010 through January 21, 2011.

C. **Temporary Professional Employees** as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, with benefits, effective August 24, 2010.

1. **Vanessa L. Mayer**, High School; Special Education Teacher, replacing Frances K. Garner who resigned. Compensation will be set at \$45,700, MS, Step 2.
2. **Jennie Moore**, High School; Mathematics Teacher, new position due to enrollment. Compensation will be set at \$43,200, BS, Step 1.

**New Temporary Professional Employee** as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, with benefits, effective date to be determined.

3. **Crystal Zakszeski**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Learning Support Teacher, replacing Francis Garner who resigned. Compensation will be set at \$44,400, BS, Step 2.

D. **Professional Staff Change of Status:**

1. **Meghan Neiswender**, Spring City/Brooke Elementary Schools; from PT (.50) to FT Librarian, replacing a .5 vacancy created by the resignation of John Cantwell. Compensation will be set at \$46,900, MS, Step 3, effective August 24, 2010 as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

**New Professional Staff Change of Status:**

2. **Mary Pat Long**, Elementary Instructional Coach; to Teacher on Special Assignment at the 5/6 Grade Center serving as Assistant to the Principal. No change in compensation.

E. **Long Term Substitutes** with benefits:

1. **Kyle Dattola**, High School, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Mathematics Teacher, replacing Valarie Dubbs, who will be on a Leave of Absence. Compensation will be set at \$43,200, BS, Step 1, prorated, effective August 24, 2010 for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.
2. **Stefanie Emes**, Limerick/Evans Elementary School; Kindergarten Teacher, replacing Vicki Murphy, who will be on a Leave of Absence. Compensation will be set at \$65,700.00, MS, Step 11, effective August 24, 2010 through the end of the 2010/2011 school year.
3. **Noelle Giampietro**, Evans Elementary School; Elementary Teacher, replacing Susan Ibach who will be on a Leave of Absence. Compensation will be set at \$55,000 MS+30, Step 3, prorated, effective August 24, 2010 for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.

4. **Jennifer Murray**, Evans Elementary School; Elementary Teacher, replacing Melissa Halphen who will be on a Leave of Absence. Compensation will be set at \$45,600, BS, Step 3, prorated, effective August 30, 2010 for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.
5. **Antoinette Pelletier**, High School; Special Education Teacher, replacing Kristi Holstein who will be on a Leave of Absence. Compensation will be set at \$44,400, BS, Step 2, prorated, with benefits, effective August 24, 2010 for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.
6. **Deborah Strnad**, High School; Social Studies Teacher, replacing Nicole Tenthoff who will be on a Leave of Absence. Compensation will be set at \$43,200, BS, Step 1, prorated, effective August 24, 2010 for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.

**New Long Term Substitutes:**

7. **Kim Curcio**, Upper Providence Elementary School; Elementary Teacher, replacing Kristen Saylor who will be on a Leave of Absence. Compensation will be set at \$45,600, BS, Step 3, prorated, with benefits, effective August 24, 2010 for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.
8. **Andrea Sandberg**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Grade 6 Teacher, previously board approved on June 2010 Agenda, please note correction in salary. Compensation will be set at \$45,900 BS + 18, Step 3, prorated, with benefits, effective August 24, 2010 through the end of the 2010-2011 school year.

**F. Support Staff:**

1. **Gina Plonski**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Registered Nurse, replacing Lydia Wisler who resigned. Compensation will be set at \$27.52 per hour with benefits as per the Nurses' Plan, effective August 24, 2010.

**New Support Staff:**

2. **Michael A. Francis**, Bechtel Building, Maintenance II-HVAC, replacing Micah Kummerer who resigned. Compensation will be set at \$23.47 per hour with benefits, effective August 30, 2010.
3. **Rachel Weller**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Instructional Assistant, replacing Lea O'Brien who resigned. Compensation will be set at \$16.04 per hour with benefits, effective August 24, 2010

**G. Support Staff Change of Status:**

1. **Debra Rufibach**, Oaks Elementary School; from Secretary to Administrative Assistant, replacing Jan Accor who retired. Compensation will be set at \$15.68 per hour with benefits as per the Secretarial Plan, effective August 9, 2010.
2. **Kathy Strange**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; from Clerical Assistant to Secretary replacing Cindy DiPette who resigned. Compensation will be set at \$13.00 per hour as per the Secretarial Plan, effective July 1, 2010.

H. **2010-2011 Supplemental Contract:** District Office

1. **Aura Dordea**, Copy Room Clerk, \$11.16 per hour

I. **2010-2011 Supplemental Contracts:** High School

1. **Aimee Cantello**, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Advisor, \$1,873
2. **Rachel Custer**, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Cheerleading Coach (Fall), \$1,875
3. **Marla Falcone**, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Field Hockey Coach, \$3,186
4. **Kelly German**, FBLA Club Advisor, \$402
5. **David Nicol**, Men's & Women's Choir Co-Director, \$1,169.50
6. **Gary Rhodenbaugh**, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Advisor, \$1,873

**New 2010-2011 Supplemental Contract: High School**

7. **Bradley Amersbach**, Assistant Cross Country Coach, \$3,991

J. **2010-2011 Supplemental Contract:** 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Center

1. **Barbara Newberry**, Asst. Color Guard Coach, \$1,104

**New 2010-2011 Supplemental Contracts: 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Center**

2. **Joan Staples**, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Field Hockey Coach, \$2,772
3. **Cheryl West**, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Winter Play Director, \$1,471
4. **Rachel Thomas**, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Field Hockey Coach, \$2,772

K. **Professional Staff Substitutes:**

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| 1. <b>Lindsay Carpenter</b>     | Spanish        |
| 2. <b>Theresa Gerhold</b>       | Social Studies |
| 3. <b>Kerry Powell</b>          | Elementary     |
| 4. <b>Ashley Swartzentruber</b> | English        |

**New Professional Staff Substitute:**

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| 5. <b>Amanda Natale</b>   | Spanish                                |
| 6. <b>Stephanie Davis</b> | Special Education/Elementary Education |

L. **Support Staff Substitutes:**

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| 1. <b>Elizabeth Brull</b>   | Support   |
| 2. <b>Diane Byrd</b>        | Support   |
| 3. <b>Theresa Carfagno</b>  | Support   |
| 4. <b>Stephanie Forrest</b> | Custodian |

**New Support Staff Substitute:**

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| 5. <b>Joann Grandy</b> | Registered Nurse |
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**V. FINANCE****\*DENOTES NEW PAYMENTS SINCE THE WORK SESSION**

Mr. DiBello asked that Item M be separated. Mr. Dehnert made a motion to approve Items A-Q with the exception of Item M and Mrs. Mullin seconded it. The motion passed 8-0.

- A. The Board approved payment for the following invoices for the month of **AUGUST** in connection with the **SERIES A of G.O.B. 2007**:

**1. SENIOR HIGH- ALTERATION & ADDITIONS****JUNE**

Colonial Electric Supply	Wire & Anchor Kit (2 Inv)	\$	665.34
Emedco, Inc.	Signage (3 Inv)	\$	3,024.96
Fox Rothschild LLP	Professional Services (2 Inv)	\$	1,579.50
J&L Building Materials	Misc. Supplies	\$	101.97
O'Mara-Meehan Movers	Move Grand Piano	\$	150.00
Penske Truck Leasing	Refrigerated Truck Rental (2 Inv)	\$	1,657.07
Simplexgrinell	Professional Service Fire Alarm	\$	442.75
Star Audio/Visual	TV Hybrid Boxes (115)	\$	17,619.15
Visual Sound	Wall Mounts/Connectors	\$	3,151.05

**JULY**

ABJ Sprinkler Co. Inc.	Applic. #5- Fire Protect. Contr	\$	35,223.75
ABJ Sprinkler Co. Inc.	Applic. #6- Fire Protect. Contr	\$	39,960.00
Central Poly Corp.	Custodial Supplies	\$	2,248.48
Colonial Electric Supply	Misc. Electrical Supplies	\$	307.13
D. Malloy Paving	Misc. Asphalt Patching	\$	3,150.00
Denney Electric Supply	Misc. Supplies	\$	242.91
John DiBattista	Frame In Block Openings	\$	4,475.00
John DiBattista	Remove Temp. Wall – Café	\$	1,150.00
E.R. Stuebner	Applic. #13 - General Contractor	\$	1,102,119.67
Earth Engineering Inc.	Professional Services	\$	843.50
EI Associates	Professional Services	\$	229.61
Fox Rothschild LLP	Professional Services	\$	36.00
Goshen Mechanical	Applic. #14- HVAC Contractor	\$	151,916.40
Limerick Township	Professional Services	\$	117.81
Martin Stone Quarries	Stone – Parking Lot	\$	483.61
MBR Construction	Applic. #14- Electric Contractor	\$	132,624.00
MBR Construction	Applic. #15- Electric Contractor	\$	118,129.00
Peter Lumber Co.	Misc. Supplies	\$	503.27
Spring-Ford A.S.D.	Reimburse Salary/Benefits Tech	\$	2,976.55
Total Rental	Rent Breaker Attachment	\$	192.50
Vimco, Inc.	Perferated Pipe/Filter Cove(3 Inv)	\$	494.30

**AUGUST**

APEX Plumbing Inc.	Applic. #12- Plumbing Contr	\$	128,630.00
Corbett, Inc.	87 Ivy League Stools	\$	3,340.80
John Keplinger & Son	75 U.S. Flags	\$	112.50
PennDOT	Sidewalk/Handicap Ramp Permit	\$	40.00
Peter Lumber Co.	Misc. Supplies (7 Inv)	\$	651.27
*John DiBattista	Remove Studs/Plates-Temp. Café Wall	\$	1,835.00
*Grainger	Misc. Supplies	\$	263.85

*Hon Company	32 Teacher Desks	\$	26,118.72
*Johnson Controls	Security Cameras/Digital Video Recorder System	\$	65,199.00
*Lowe's	Misc. Supplies	\$	360.98
*Sico America Inc.	3 Cafeteria Tables w/Seats	\$	4,287.70
*Tanner Furniture	35 Teacher/115 Task Chairs	\$	26,743.00
*Virco Inc.	15 Tables/2 Storage Carts	\$	4,674.25
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,888,072.35</b>

2. **9<sup>th</sup> GRADE CENTER PARKING LOT**

<b><u>JUNE</u></b>			
Total Rental	Rent Floor Saw - Lighting	\$	301.18
<b><u>JULY</u></b>			
Chem Seal	Seal Coating/Crack Filling	\$	5,600.00
Fresh Metered Concrete	3,000 yds. Concrete	\$	489.00
Martin Stone Quarries	Stone – Parking Lot	\$	313.89
Peter Lumber Co,	Misc. Supplies	\$	15.12
<b><u>AUGUST</u></b>			
Bursich Associates	Professional Services	\$	1,993.12
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>8,712.31</b>

3. **10<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE BY-PASS**

<b><u>JUNE</u></b>			
Fox Rothschild LLP	Professional Services	\$	324.00
<b><u>JULY</u></b>			
Fox Rothschild LLP	Professional Services	\$	288.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>612.00</b>

B. The Board approved payment for the following invoices for the month of **AUGUST**, in connection with the **CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT – Fund 22:**

1. **OAKS WALK IN REFRIGERATOR/FREEZER**

El Associates	Professional Services	\$	2,015.50
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>2,015.50</b>

C. The Board approved next month's payroll, taxes, all benefits, transportation contracts, IU contracts, Vo-Tech payments, debt service payments, utility bills, maintenance agreements, copier leases, equipment maintenance, Federal grants, insurance, and discounted invoices.

D. Checks:

1. **Weekly Checks prior to Work Session**

<b><u>June</u></b>			
Check No. 137258 – 137426		\$	569,432.78
<b><u>July</u></b>			
Check No. 137427 – 137711		\$	1,530,409.38
<b><u>August</u></b>			
Check No. 137712 – 137915		\$	1,299,712.20



2. <u>Weekly Checks prior to Board Meeting</u> Check No. 138013 – 138062	\$ 466,642.27
3. <u>Board Checks held for approval</u> Check No. 137916 – 138012	\$ 160,447.52
4. <u>Athletic Fund</u> <u>June</u> Check No. 302648 – 302675	\$ 40,831.79

E. The Board approved the following **independent contracts**:

1. **Vanessa Saylor – Douglasville, PA.** Coordinate services for the 2010-2011 school year for the Community Education Program. The contract addresses the supervision and administration of the program; the implementation of marketing strategies for the program; and the monitoring of receipt/expenditures of funds for the program. This self-supported position is funded through the 2010-2011 Community Education Program Account and shall not exceed thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00)
2. **Jack Bracale, DMD – Royersford, PA.** Perform state mandated dental screenings of students in grades 3 and 7 during the 2010-2011 school year as requested by parents/guardians. Funding will be paid from the General Fund and shall not exceed four dollars (\$4.00) per screening.
3. **Spring-Ford Family Practice (Pottstown Medical Specialists, Inc.) - Pottstown, PA.** Perform school physical examinations, provide standing orders and consultation regarding school-based medical issues. This three year contract is set at fourteen dollars (\$14.00) per student physical for the 2010-2011 school year, fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per student physical for the 2011-2012 school year, and sixteen dollars (\$16.00) per student physical for the 2012-2013 school year. Funding will be paid from the General Fund Budget.
4. **Dr. John Aylward – Royersford, PA.** Provide medical supervision and emergency treatment services for the 2010-2011 school year in connection with the Athletic Department. Services for varsity games shall be paid at a rate of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per game with junior varsity games being paid at a rate of seventy-five (\$75.00) per game. Funding will be paid from the General Fund and shall not exceed one thousand six hundred forty dollars (\$1,640.00).
5. **Dr. Adam Chrusch – Jenkintown, PA.** Provide medical supervision and emergency treatment services in the absence of Dr. John Aylward for the 2010-2011 school year in connection with the Athletic Department. Services for varsity games shall be paid at a rate of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per game with junior varsity games being paid at a rate of seventy-five (\$75.00) per game. Funding will be paid from the General Fund and shall not exceed one thousand six hundred forty dollars (\$1,640.00).
6. **Friendship Hook Ladder and Ambulance, Inc. – Royersford, PA.** Provide ambulance services for the 2010-2011 school year in connection with the Athletic Department. Services will be provided for high school home varsity junior varsity football games, middle school home football games and other events deemed

necessary by the school district at a rate of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per game. Funding will be paid from the General Fund and shall not exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00).

7. **Educational Based Services (EBS) – Concordville, PA** Provide direct Speech and Language Therapy for special needs students during the 2010-2011 school year as per their IEPs. Services will be provided for seven (7) hours per day for a total of ninety (90) days at a rate of seventy dollars (\$70.00) per hour. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 IDEA, Part B, ARRA Stimulus Funds and shall not exceed forty-four thousand one hundred dollars (\$44,100.00).
8. **Spring Valley YMCA – Limerick, PA.** Provide supervised swimming for special needs students during the 2010-2011 school year as per their IEPs. Services will be provided for a total of ten (10). Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00).
9. **Joy Brewster and Associates – LaGrangeville, NY.** Provide Applied Behavioral Analysis Training in the home for special needs students during the 2010-2011 school year as per their IEPs. Services will be provided for six hundred twenty-four (624) hours at a rate of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) per hour. The contract will also include ten (10) hours per month for twelve(12) months of Applied Behavioral Analysis Consult Services at a rate of ninety-five dollars (\$95.00) per hour. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed thirty-three thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$33,240.00).
10. **HMS School for Children with Cerebral Palsy – Philadelphia, PA.** Provide educational services for a special needs student during the 2010-2011 school year as per the IEP. Services will be provided for one hundred eighty (180) days at a rate of four hundred seventy-two dollars and twenty-three cents(\$472.23) per day. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed eighty-five thousand one dollar and forty cents (\$85,001.40).
11. **The Timothy School – Berwyn, PA.** Provide educational services for a special needs student during the 2010-2011 school year as per the IEP. Services will be provided for one hundred eighty (180) days at a rate of three hundred twelve dollars (\$312.00) per day. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed fifty-six thousand one hundred sixty dollars (\$56,160.00).
12. **The Vanguard School – Paoli, PA.** Provide educational and related services for a special needs student during the 2010-2011 school year as per the IEP. Services will be provided for one hundred eighty (180) days at a rate of two hundred forty-two dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$242.78) per day. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed forty-three thousand seven hundred dollars and forty cents (\$43,700.40).
13. **Austill’s Rehabilitation Services – Exton, PA.** Provide Physical Therapy for a special needs student attending a private school as per the IEP. Services will be provided for one (1) hour per week for thirty-eight (38) weeks at a rate of fifty-seven dollars (\$57.00) per hour. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed two thousand one hundred sixty-six dollars (\$2,166.00).

14. **Deaf-Hearing Communication Centre – Swarthmore, PA.** Provide Sign Language Interpreter services for meetings and school events for a special needs student during the 2010-2011 school year as per the IEP. Services will be provided for twelve (12) hours at a rate of fifty-four dollars (\$54.00) per hour. Mileage reimbursement will be provided at the current IRS rate of fifty cents (\$.50) per mile for a total of two hundred (200) miles. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed seven hundred forty-eight dollars (\$748.00).
15. **High School to Work Transition Services – Telford, PA.** Provide a transition coordinator for a special needs students during the 2010-2011 school year per their IEPs. Services will be provided for twenty (20) hours per week. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 IDEA, Part B, ARRA Stimulus Funds and shall not exceed thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00).
16. **Perkiomen Valley School District – Collegeville, PA.** Provide educational services for a special needs student during the 2010-2011 school year per their IEP. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$31,500.00).
17. **Progressions Academy – Stowe, PA.** Provide educational services for a special needs student as per their IEP. Services will be provided for forty-five (45) days at a rate of one hundred twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$127.50) per day. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed five thousand seven hundred-thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$5,737.50).
18. **High School to Work Transition Services – Telford, PA.** Provide a transition coordinator for a special needs students during the 2010-2011 school year per their IEPs. Services will be provided for twenty (20) hours per week for thirty-six (36) weeks at a rate of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per hour. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 IDEA, Part B, ARRA Stimulus Funds and shall not exceed fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000.00).
19. **Claire Choutka – Limerick, PA.** Provide Applied Behavior Analysis observation, consultation and training in the school setting as well as attendance at an IEP meeting for two special needs students as per their IEPs. Services will be provided for forty (40) hours at a rate of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per hour. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).
20. **American Red Cross – Philadelphia, PA.** Provide initial training and recertification of special education assistants in CPR and First Aid. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Medical Access Funds and shall not exceed nine thousand five-hundred dollars (\$9,500.00).

**New Independent Contracts:**

21. **Invo Health Care Associates, Inc. – Jamison, PA.** Provide Physical Therapy services for special needs students during the 2010-2011 school year as per their IEPs. Services will be provided for twenty four(24) hours per week for forty (40) weeks at a rate of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per hour. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011

Special Education Budget and shall not exceed fifty-seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$57,600.00).

22. **Kristen Kuterbach – Royersford, PA.** Provide instructional services for extracurricular activities for a special needs student as per the IEP. Services will be provided for nine (9) weeks for a total of fifty-eight (58) hours. Funding will be paid from the 2010-2011 Special Education Budget and shall not exceed four hundred dollars (\$400.00).
23. **PA Friends of Agriculture – Camp Hill, PA.** Provide five (5) days of lab classes in a Mobile Agriculture Education Science Lab for Limerick Elementary students from September 13 through September 17, 2010. Funding will be paid by the 2010-2011 Limerick Elementary Home and School Association and shall not exceed two thousand three hundred dollars (\$2,300.00).

F. The Board approved the following bid awards for the 2010-2011 school year:

**COPIER PAPER- M.C.I.U.**

Paper Mart	\$ 1,822.08
Ris Paper Company	\$38,650.60
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	<u>\$11,289.89</u>
TOTAL	\$51,762.57

**PAPER SUPPLIES**

Becker's School Supplies	\$11,343.08
Kurtz Brothers	<u>\$ 8,611.90</u>
TOTAL	\$19,954.98

**SCIENCE SUPPLIES – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Centers**

Carolina Biological Supply Co.	\$ 8.79
Fisher Scientific Company LLC	\$ 570.12
Frey Scientific Company	\$ 145.11
Nasco	\$ 2.92
Para Scientific	\$ 29.64
Wards	<u>\$ 9.87</u>
TOTAL	\$ 766.45

**SCIENCE SUPPLIES – 9-12<sup>th</sup> Grades**

Bio Corporation	\$ 56.00
Benz Microscopes	\$ 184.70
Carolina Biological Supply Co.	\$ 876.83
Fisher Scientific Company LLC	\$ 1,661.17
Frey Scientific Company	\$ 297.61
Nasco	\$ 902.48
Para Scientific	\$ 446.04
Sargent-Welch/VWR	\$ 1,130.01
Wards	<u>\$ 137.11</u>
TOTAL	\$ 5,691.95

**ART SUPPLIES-District Wide**

Dick Blick	\$ 3,452.88
Commercial Art Supply	\$ 5,671.25
T.B. Hagstoz & Son	\$ 1,552.83
Kurtz Brothers	\$19,554.58
Metalliferous	\$ 968.10
Nasco	\$10,166.72
National Art	\$10,764.00
Rio Grande	\$ 1,348.37
School Specialty Inc.	\$ 7,721.34
Standard Stationery	\$ 1,907.06
Triarco	<u>\$ 4,936.89</u>
TOTAL	\$68,044.02

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION SUPPLIES-District Wide**

Aluminum Athletic Equipment	\$ 169.50
Cannon Sports	\$ 584.08
Flaghouse	\$ 1,230.45
Georgi Sports	\$ 411.00
Gopher Sports	\$ 100.58
Nasco	\$ 896.70
Sport Supply Group dba/Passons	\$ 7,440.88
Wolverine Sports	<u>\$ 545.22</u>
TOTAL	\$11,378.41

**INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION****COMMUNICATION SUPPLIES**

Kelvin Electronics	\$ 33.00
Metco	\$ 49.80
Midwest	\$ 8.97
Satco Supply	<u>\$ 7.52</u>
TOTAL	\$ 99.29

**MANUFACTURING SUPPLIES**

Metco	\$ 171.30
Midwest Technology Products	\$ 75.20
Satco Supply	<u>\$ 40.06</u>
TOTAL	\$ 286.56

**CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES**

Industrial Arts Supply Co.	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 100.00

**TRANSPORTATION POWER & ENERGY SUPPLIES**

Metco	<u>\$ 56.65</u>
TOTAL	\$ 56.65

**PHOTO SUPPLIES**

Porter's Camera Store	<u>\$ 239.58</u>
TOTAL	\$ 239.58

**WOOD SUPPLY**

Industrial Arts Supply	\$ 22.20
Metco	\$ 194.07
Midwest Technology	\$ 430.61
Paxton Patterson	\$ 431.18
Pitsco	\$ 25.02
Retco	\$ 223.38
Satco Supply	\$ 1,039.48
School Specialty	<u>\$ 102.80</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,468.74

**INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES**

Industrial Arts Supply	\$ 132.50
Kelvin	\$ 2,130.95
Metco	\$ 484.05
Midwest Technology	\$ 366.42
Pitsco	\$ 197.92
Retco	\$ 97.18
Satco Supply	\$ 331.45
School Specialty	<u>\$ 135.08</u>
TOTAL	\$ 3,875.55

**LUMBER SUPPLY**

Industrial Arts Supply	\$ 182.40
Mann & Parker Lumber Co.	\$ 302.00
Peter Lumber Company	\$ 273.33
Retco	<u>\$ 148.25</u>
TOTAL	\$ 905.98

**INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY – MECHANICAL DRAWING**

Metco	\$ 25.75
Modern School Suppliers	\$ 33.00
Paxton Patterson	<u>\$ 21.50</u>
TOTAL	\$ 80.25

G. The Board approved the following bid awards for the 2010-2011 school year:

**PUBLICATIONS**

Kalil's	\$ 1,318.00	Crisis Plan
Boyertown Publishing Co	\$12,992.00	Newsletter (4 Issues)
Star School Items	<u>\$13,776.80</u>	Intermediate, Middle & Senior High Handbooks
TOTAL	\$28,086.80	

H. The Board gave approval for All-Sports and Voluntary Accident Insurance to ACE American Insurance Company (administered by American Management Advisor, Inc.). The catastrophic coverage will remain with AIG Life, also administered by American Management Advisors, Inc. These costs, which remain the same as last year, are as follows:

All Sports (Includes Intramural Sports 5-12)	\$ 7,000.00
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Catastrophic Medical Coverage – Students in Interscholastic Sports	\$	<u>1,700.00</u>
<b>District Sponsored Payment</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,700.00</b>

**Parent Responsibility**

Voluntary School-Time Coverage	\$	22.00
Voluntary 24-Hour Coverage	\$	88.00

- I. The Board approved closing the account for the Class of 2009 from the High School Activity Account.
- J. The Board approved closing the account for the Class of 2010 from the High School Activity Account.
- K. The Board approved of the proposed assessment appeal settlement with Bluegrass Folding Carton Company, LLC (parcel #61-00-03310-013) located in Upper Providence Township. The district’s appraiser, Mastroieni & Associates, Inc., concurs with the settlement agreement. As a result of the increase in assessment on the property for the last 3 years, there will be funds owed to the district in the amount of \$16,674.74. The old assessment was \$4,917,900. The proposed settlement sets the new assessment as follows:

New assessments	<b>2008/09</b>	\$5,044,650
	<b>2009/10</b>	\$5,054,600
	<b>2010/11</b>	\$5,373,000

- L. The Board approved Limerick Township’s request that the Linfield Athletic and Sportsman’s Club, parcel #37-00-02578-00-4, be exempt from Real Estate Taxes beginning with the 2010/11 year. The property will be used for active recreation for the Township and community sports groups. The district has always granted exemption to properties deemed as open space or community recreation areas.

**New Finance:**

- N. The following Treasurers’ Reports were approved:

General Fund

- Money Market – June/July 2010
- PSDLAF – June/July 2010
- PSDMAX – June/July 2010
- Checking Account – June/July 2010
- PLGIT Account – June/July 2010
- Investment Accounts & Investment Schedule - June/July 2010
- Payroll Account – June/July 2010
- Tax Account – June/July 2010

Activity Accounts

- Elementary Activity – June/July 2010
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Activity – June/July 2010
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Activity – June/July 2010
- High School Activity – June/July 2010
- Athletic Account – June/July 2010

Bond Funds

- Note of 2007A – June/July 2010

Other Funds

- Capital Reserve Fund & Investment Schedule – June/July 2010
- Debt Service Fund – June/July 2010
- Reservation of Funds (Natatorium, Insurance, Retirement) – June/July 2010

Cafeteria Fund

- Cafeteria Money Market – June 2010
- Cafeteria Checking Account – June 2010
- Cafeteria PSDLAF Account – June 2010
- Investment Account – June 2010

O. The Board approved the **Cafeteria Listing** of Bills:

**JUNE**

Check No. 9454 – 9692	\$ 336,817.98
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P. The Board approved the following **exonerations** from the per capita tax for the 2010-2011 school year:

Limerick Township	No. 001 – 006
Royersford Borough	No. 001 – 051
Spring City Borough	No. 001 – 011

Q. The Board approved the following **Use of Facilities Permits**:

Permits No. 3185 – 3239

Mr. Dressler stated that he would like to propose an amendment to the resolution saying he takes the point of view that was in the editorial in today’s paper that we should have some buffer zone between the road and the cemetery in the form of whatever would be acceptable to the community.

Mr. Davis showed a diagram of the cemetery saying he is not suggesting that the Board do this or not do it but would like to explain it so that there is no misunderstanding on where we are going. Mr. Davis explained the diagram and said when the district went to the township and spoke to them about coming through the easement they pointed out that there was already an approved subdivision. Mr. Davis pointed out the developer’s road which he indicated will eventually go in with or without our access driveway. Mr. Davis commented that the involvement of the school district absent the road being built by the developer is about 30-40 feet and is an area that is further away from where the road is slotted to be built. Mr. Davis next presented a photo which showed an overview of the entire area. Mr. Davis stated that the school district’s involvement or encroachment of the property is on the other side of where the proposed road is.

Mr. Ciresi asked for a point of clarification saying that through the articles that appeared in the paper and through some of the comments that were made it looks like the school district is going in and condemning some area or buying an area of the cemetery. He



asked Mr. Davis to explain what legally has transpired with this land and when. Mr. Davis replied that he does not know the exact timeline but a number of years ago this was all approved as a sketch plan before the hotel and restaurant were built. This road is going in at a certain point with or without the school district and the only part the school district is adding is about 30-40 feet which is on the other side of the road from the cemetery. Mr. Davis stated that we are not adding any impact to what is going to happen with or without us building the driveway.

Mr. Dressler commented that he believes we have to take the sensitivity of the families who have family members buried there and create some dense vegetation or something to create a barrier between the road and the cemetery. Mr. Dressler said he does not believe this would be a major alteration to the plan and he thinks we should consider it. Mr. Davis said he is happy to do whatever the Board suggests he do but he would have to go back to the developer and negotiate that because right now we have not negotiated any further encroachment on his property nor do we have the ability to do those plans. Mr. Davis said the only thing we have a right to do now is to put a sidewalk there or not put it there and that is yet to be determined and he left himself the right that if there was any disturbance to his ground or if in some way anyone misbehaved there because of the pedestrian walkway he would have the right to revoke that approval. Mr. Davis asked where the buffer would even go and Mr. Dressler stated that in looking at the aerial view there appeared to be an awful lot of space between the proposed road and the edge of the cemetery. Mr. Davis commented that the difficulty is that the township will not let us come out there because the suggestion was made to hug the border of the property and the township indicated that they did not want a convoluted intersection as they wanted the roadway lined up with the ingress and egress of the Wawa. Mr. Davis stated that he is happy to do whatever the Board would like but he must be candid in that he believes it would be rejected out of hand by the township based on the discussions with them.

Mrs. Mullin said we keep saying the road will go in and she questioned if the plans are for it to go in. Mr. Davis replied that if you go out there you can see the curb cut is already there and it is an approved road to go in and that is how the developer will access the rear of the property. Mr. Davis further commented that the road is approved to go back to the rear of the property and service that area of the tract which will one day be developed.

Ms. Schell said she would like it explained to her why it is public record that it was sold for \$387,500 and several years later there is a mortgage for \$11 million. Mr. Ciresi said the question asked has nothing to do with the school district and it is a township question and we do not get involved in that process at all. Ms. Schell stated that she smells something bad. Mr. Davis pointed out that the school district's involvement is simply for an easement.

Members of the public began shouting out from their seats which could not be clearly understood by the Board Secretary for transcription. Mr. Ciresi directed the public to step up to the microphone in order to speak.

Ms. Schell said the hotel and the restaurant were put in and it was up to Limerick Township at that time and they probably told the builder, in order to make everyone happy, pave the roads and put up a nice gate but none of that happened. Ms. Schell stated that the cemetery is a disgrace and Limerick Township should be ashamed of

themselves for ever letting that happen in the first place. Ms. Schell commented that she does not like the road; she asked that it be allowed to go along where it should have initially been and not drag it through the cemetery. Ms. Schell stated that she wants to know why it was \$387,500 and now in public record it is \$11,100,000, she asked what that is all about? Mr. Davis responded that it is probably financing for the restaurant and hotel. Mr. Ciresi stated again that the school district would not know the answer to this.

Richard Bach Jr., stated that his family is buried in the Fernwood Cemetery and he has a problem with one thing which is that the Board has said that the plan was all approved by Limerick Township but none of the proposed buildings have yet to be approved so that the public can comment. Mr. Bach said the Board is connecting to a road that is for future use and something that that might not be developed due to the economy. Mr. Bach questioned why the Board would give the developer what he wants and why not go out another way or find another solution other than the cemetery. He stated that everyone built these schools and never thought about the traffic that would come down the road and now the traffic is here and everyone is complaining. Mr. Bach stated that there was no traffic before the schools and the developments were here and the district let it happen.

Mr. Pettit commented that in listening to the discussion, the complaints and the concerns he understands the type of concern but it seems to him that most of the gripes and concerns should be addressed to the township as opposed to the school district. Mr. Pettit stated that he does understand the public's plight and he tends to oppose this easement as it stands right now because of the concerns but he still feels that the concern should be addressed to the township more so than the school district.

The public began yelling out from their seats which could not be clearly heard or transcribed by the Board Secretary. Mr. Davis stated that there would not be any desecration of graves as there are statutes about this. The public again yelled from their seats which could not be clearly heard or transcribed.

Mr. Dressler made motion to amend the resolution to include that a buffer be created between the road and the cemetery. Mrs. Williams asked who would pay for the buffer and Mr. Dehnert replied that it would be up to the property owner since it is not our property. Mr. Dressler stated that this is something that will have to be negotiated with the property owner. Mr. Dressler said he does not think we should just put this through without taking into consideration the feelings of the community which are obviously intense. There was no second to the amendment.

Mrs. Mullin made a motion to approve Item M and Mrs. Williams seconded it. The Board took a roll call vote with Mr. Dehnert, Mr. Shafer and Mrs. Williams voting yes and Mr. Ciresi, Mr. DiBello, Mr. Dressler, Mrs. Mullin and Mr. Pettit voting no. The motion did not pass with a vote of 3-5.

- M. The Board did not approve **Resolution 2010-27** authorizing the purchase in lieu of condemnation of an easement for portions of the properties known as Montgomery County Tax Parcels #37-0005-314002 and #37-005-314004.

## VI. CONFERENCE/ WORKSHOP RECOMMENDATIONS

Mrs. Mullin made a motion to approve Items A-E and Mr. Pettit seconded it. The motion passed 8-0.

The following individuals were approved for attendance at the following conferences/workshops:

**CODE: 580 Account: Conference/Training, registration, food, and accommodations**

**DISTRICT OFFICE**

- A. **Timothy Anspach**, Business Manager, to attend “4 County Business Administrator’s Workshop” at the Inn at Pocono Manor from Wednesday, September 29 through Friday, October 1, 2010. The total cost of this workshop is \$390.00 from the 580 account. No substitute is needed.

**7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CENTER**

- B. **Orathia Bradley**, Assistant Principal, to attend “Student Assistance Program (SAP) Conference: Sexting” at the Montgomery County Community College on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 from 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM. There is no cost for this two hour conference. No substitute is needed.

**New Conference/ Workshop Recommendations:**

- C. **Johnna Weller**, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction, **Jacqueline Havrilla**, Principal, and **Jen Whytosek**, Learning Support Teacher, to attend “Using Student Achievement Data” at PaTTAN in King of Prussia, PA on September 23, 2010. There is no cost to the district for this conference and no substitutes are needed.
- D. **Jenifer Smith**, Speech Clinician, to attend “CLM Training” at PaTTAN in King of Prussia, PA on September 21, 2010, November 10, 2010, February 9, 2011 and May 17 or 18, 2011. The total cost to the district for mileage and substitutes is \$656.00 to be paid from the 2010-2011 IDEA, Part B, ARRA Stimulus Funds.
- E. **Shannon Furlong**, Learning Support Teacher, to attend “Wilson Level I Certification Training” consisting of the Level I Initial Session and 5 after school meetings. The initial session will take place on September 17, 2010 at the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit in Norristown, PA. The dates for the after school meetings are still to be determined. The total cost for this training and after school meetings is \$2,030.00 from the 2010-2011 IDEA, Part B, ARRA Stimulus Funds.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mrs. Williams made a motion to approve Items B-C and Mrs. Mullin seconded it. Mr. Ciresi commented on Item C saying that the Home and School at Evans Elementary is expanding the playground and they will be putting \$9,600 into the project. He thanked Evans Elementary and their Home and School for the work and the time they have put into this effort. The motion passed 8-0.

- A. The following policy is submitted as a first reading:
  - 1. Policy #005 – LOCAL BOARD PROCEDURES: Organization
- B. The following policies were approved:
  - 1. Policy #005.1 – LOCAL BOARD PROCEDURES: Board Committee Agenda and Minutes

2. Policy #201 – PUPILS: Admission of Beginners
3. Policy #213 – PUPILS: Assessment of Student Progress

**New Other Business:**

C. The Board approved the acceptance of the proposed donation by the Evans Elementary School Home and School Association for the Phase 3 expansion of Evans Elementary playground in the amount of nine thousand six hundred dollars (\$9,600.00). This amount includes the standard 20% district fee, as per Board Policy #702, for the maintenance of new equipment.

**VIII. SOLICITOR’S REPORT**

No report.

**IX. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**

A member of the public who did not identify himself spoke saying a few months ago the Board had a very informative town hall meeting for the public regarding taxes and he believes it would be a great idea for the Board to have another town hall meeting this time regarding the Fernwood Cemetery and what has been proposed. Mr. Ciresi stated that the motion had died. The gentlemen stated that it has died for this month but he knows how it will work, the public will leave and then the Board will vote for it. Mr. Ciresi said he does not want to argue but the Board voted no so it would have to come back to the table and go back out into the public. Mr. Ciresi commented that the Board is not here now to discuss this as it was voted down.

Mr. DiBello stated that he does not feel the gentleman’s comments were respectful as the Board is trying to do the right thing and making an accusation that they would try to sneak something in is not appropriate. Mr. DiBello stated that the reason he voted no tonight is that when he thought long and hard about this his concern is that even though the road is approved to go in, when is it going to go in? Mr. DiBello said he does not want to put the district at a point of reading all the newspaper articles, some of which were written to slant one way, and he also does not want the district put in the position of looking like we are putting a road in when we really are not, we are only tapping off of it. Mr. DiBello stated that he wants the developer to put the road in and everyone can go fight the developer and Limerick Township and put their views on the table because they are the ones who control this. Mr. DiBello commented that when the road does go in then the Board can go back and show that we are just tapping in to the little section and we are not involved in the overall development of the project. Mr. DiBello stated that the project has been in the works for over 10 years from subdivisions, the hotel, the restaurant and what is going on out there has nothing to do with this Board. Mr. DiBello said that Limerick Township has approved the sketch plans; they are the ones who did the subdivision, so all of this should be brought up there. Let them know what your thoughts and concerns are because we have no control over that road. Mr. DiBello stated that when the road does go in he will have no problem with us tapping into it.

Mr. Dehnert said there is one issue with this and that is that the road may not be built to the right specs for school busses. Mr. Cooper added that it may be a little bit less and we were going to build it at a better spec so that we would not have to repair it but we will just have to deal with it at that time.

Mrs. Williams commented that what she is hearing is that until the developer builds the road we will not have any relief from the traffic flow on Lewis Road. She asked if the majority of

the Board supports this because if so this has a long history in an attempt to alleviate traffic including when the high school was built. Mrs. Williams said she understands the public's concerns and she urged all the public present to go and get informed. She asked that the public go to Limerick Township and look at the subdivision file and look at the process so that they can understand it. Mrs. Williams stated that she feels like the Board is being portrayed as the big bad wolf and they are not. The Board is doing something that was requested of them back in 1994 which was to look at a second way out of the high school but at that time it just was not feasible and the enrollment was not there. Mrs. Williams said that there was probably over 30 hours of meetings that were held just to hammer this out with engineers and people in Limerick Township. Mrs. Williams suggested that the public respectfully go to Limerick Township and talk to them. Mrs. Williams referenced the comments made by the unidentified gentleman in the audience and stated that they do not conduct their business in secret and that is an unfair accusation to make at all of the people sitting at the table who do all of this for nothing other than the caring of public service.

Additional conversation took place from the audience which was not able to be heard or transcribed by the Board Secretary.

Mr. Ciresi commented that some of the problem with what was happening was that when he first moved here it was when all of this first started happening with knocking the house down and he remembers feeling that it was horrible and calling the newspaper at what was being done to the cemetery by building an Outback and a hotel on land where there were graves. Mr. Ciresi said he knows if his father was buried there he would feel the same way as the public feels. He stated that the Board has spoken, there will be traffic on Lewis Road but that is just the way it is and we cannot change that issue. The Board did not create the issue no one knew what the growth in the district was going to be, the township built houses and we have to educate the children and build the schools. Mr. Ciresi stated that the Board has been as upfront as possibly can be on this whole issue, it was not rifled through in the middle of the night at a meeting, it was spoken in the public, there were articles run on it, diagrams drawn, it was talked about in public committee meetings, previous Boards had discussed it and those meetings were televised. Mr. Ciresi commented on the question about representation saying he lives in Limerick and he is their representative if you want to look at it that way but all the Board Members are the representatives for the entire school district and for the interest of every family and every student. Mr. Ciresi stated that the way the Board is elected is the way they are elected and although he does not like it and believes we should all be at large so that it is fair for everybody. Mr. Ciresi concluded the discussion by saying the Board has heard everyone's comments and they appreciate the comments but the Board has voted and that is it.

Mr. Ciresi wished all the students, teachers and staffs a healthy 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Ciresi reminded the community that schools will be opening so please drive carefully. We look forward to a great year!

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Pettit made a motion to adjourn and Mrs. Mullin seconded it. The motion passed 8-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Fern  
Board Secretary