

On December 7, 2009 the Board Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Spring-Ford Area School District was called to order at 8:15 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: Clara M. Gudolonis, Julie A. Mullin and Donna L. Williams  
Region III: Joseph P. Ciresi, 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.: Michael John

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Ciresi announced all of the student holiday concerts taking place during the month of December.

#### **I. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

There were no comments.

#### **II. PERSONNEL**

Mr. Dehnert made a motion to approve Items A-G and Mr. DiBello seconded it. The motion passed 9-0.

##### **A. Resignations:**

1. **Paul M. Quay**, Royersford Elementary School; Custodian, effective November 30, 2009.
2. **Chad Strickler**, 7/8/9<sup>th</sup> Grade; Assistant Wrestling Coach, effective November 30, 2009.
3. **Amy Short**, High School; Girls' Assistant Lacrosse Coach, effective December 4, 2009.

##### **B. Leaves of Absence in accordance with Board Policy:**

1. **Robert C. Bortz, Jr.**, District; Maintenance Department, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with Board Policy, effective January 11, 2010 for up to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.

2. **Bridget Mullins**, Spring City Elementary School; School Nurse, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with Board Policy, effective November 6, 2009 for up to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.
3. **Deanne Snelling**, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Gifted Support Teacher, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with Board Policy, effective November 16, 2009 for up to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.
4. **Dana M. Starkey**, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center; Learning Support Teacher, for a Leave of Absence in accordance with the Professional Agreement, effective, tentatively, January 29, 2010 until the end of the 2009/2010 school year.

**C. Long Term Substitutes:**

1. **Christine N. Sowers**, Royersford Elementary School; Elementary Teacher, compensation will be set at \$42,000, BS, Step 1, prorated, with benefits, effective November 30, 2009 until the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period.
2. **Kristen Weinstein**, Royersford Elementary School; Learning Support Teacher, compensation will be set at \$42,000, BS, Step 1, prorated, with benefits, effective November 30, 2009 until the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period.
3. **Molly Woods**, Royersford Elementary School; Elementary Teacher, compensation will be set at \$43,000, BS, Step 2, prorated, with benefits, effective retroactive August 25, 2009 until the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.

**D. Extra-Curricular Contracts:**

**High School**

1. **Stephanie Krasucki**, Assistant Cheerleading Coach, Winter, \$2,436
2. **John Murtin**, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball Coach, \$4,426

**Middle School**

3. **Maria Kardick**, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Cheerleading Coach, Winter, \$1,786
4. **Chad Strickler**, 7/8/9<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Wrestling Coach, \$4,426
5. **E. Zachary Stewart**, 7/8/9<sup>th</sup> Grade Assistant Wrestling Coach, \$4,178
6. **Rhonda Zimmerman**, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Cheerleading Coach, Winter, \$1,786

**E. Professional Staff Substitute:**

1. **Cali Toms** Elementary & Early Childhood
2. **Kyle Holauchock** Social Studies

**F. Support Staff Substitutes:**

1. **Anne E. Falcone** Food Service
2. **Kathleen M. Foley** Food Service
3. **Howard Kollar** Custodian
4. **Denise Kraft** Food Service
5. **Laraine Livergood** Food Service
6. **Craig Overholt** Custodian

**G. Personnel Information Item**

The individuals listed below have completed three (3) years of satisfactory service as temporary professional employee(s) and are, therefore, approved for tenure status:

1. **Meghan Fallon Timmes**      Special Education
2. **Lynne M. Webb**              Elementary Education

**III. FINANCE**

Mrs. Mullin made a motion to approve Items A-G and Mr. Dehnert seconded it. The motion passed 9-0.

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

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

ABJ Sprinkler	Applic. #1- Fire Protection Contr.	\$	19,350.00
Mario D'Orsaneo	Fabricate 2 Supports/Conduit	\$	484.00
EI Associates	Professional Services	\$	822.76
Earth Engineering Inc.	Professional Services	\$	9,831.20
Knox Company	Black Box	\$	367.00
	TOTAL	\$	30,854.96

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

A.D. Moyer Lumber	Poly Culvert Pipe	\$	134.15
Bursich Associates, Inc.	Professional Services	\$	3,293.70
Martin Stone Quarries	Stone (2 Inv.)	\$	533.98
Taylor Rental	Equipment Rental-Floor Saw	\$	624.50
	TOTAL	\$	4,586.33

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

1. **NEW DISTRICT OFFICE**

Simplex Grinnell	Access Control I Secure		
	Nic Card	\$	1,470.00
	TOTAL	\$	1,470.00

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

1. **Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy – Schwenksville, PA.** Provide four (4) one hour assemblies at Brooke Elementary School for the kindergarten classes entitled "Winter Secrets". Funding will be paid by the 2009-2010 Brooke Elementary Home and School Association and shall not exceed four hundred forty dollars (\$440.00).



## HIGH SCHOOL

- B. **Patrick Nugent**, Principal, to attend “*PASA Seminar – Aspiring to Leadership Workshop*” in Harrisburg, PA on Wednesday, January 13 and Thursday, January 14, 2010. The total cost for this workshop is \$354.45 from the 580 account. No substitute is needed.

## 5/6 GRADE CENTER

- C. **Jenifer Smith**, Speech Pathologist, to attend “*CLM Coaches, Teachers, and Administrators Training Day Series*” at PaTTAN on January 21, 2010, February 25, 2010 and May 19, 2010. The total cost for this training series is \$126.00 for mileage from the 580 account. No substitute is needed.

## V. SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Mr. Davis reported that on Thursday he will be meeting at Limerick Township with the neighbor who owns the property behind the high school and the township to continue to try and resolve differences with the 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue Bypass. Mr. Davis advised the Board that he will report on any progress that is made.

## VI. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

There were no questions or comments from the public.

Mr. Pettit asked for an update on the High School Addition/Renovation Project. Dr. Hurda reported that the project is on schedule for the addition component of the high school and feel very confident that the classroom spaces will be ready for the start of the school year. Dr. Hurda also reported that we are a little bit ahead of schedule for the renovations that will occur throughout the building such as the cafeteria and media center. Dr. Hurda said by March or the beginning of April the Board and public will be able to see some renovations taking place right here in the facility.

Mr. Shafer stated with regards to appointments on the various committees, he was not placed on too many active committees in the past. Mr. Shafer commented that previously he was new to the Board so that is possibly the reason why he was not on many of the committees. Mr. Shafer said he was curious as to when the committee lists would be determined. Mr. Ciresi thanked Mr. Shafer for bringing this up and asked all of the Board Members to email him the list of committees they would be interested in serving on. Mr. Ciresi announced for the newer Board Members information that the public is invited to all committee meetings and any Board Member can also attend even if they are not placed on the committee of three as this is a good way to participate beyond just the Board Meetings.

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dehnert made a motion to adjourn and Mrs. Mullin seconded it. The motion passed 9-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Fern  
Board Secretary