

TO: Board of School Directors  
FROM: George W. Ioannidis, Business Manager / Board Secretary  
SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes – Voting Meeting

DATE OF MEETING/ May 2, 2011  
DATE/TIME: 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Educational Service Center

**PARTICIPANTS:**

School Board: Michael Brookhart, Mary Dolheimer,  
Brent Hoschar, Cindy Huber, Anne Jones,  
Emily Sindlinger, Doug Stein

District: Karyn Brown, Scott Deisley, George Ioannidis,  
Robert Lombardo

Absent: Eric Cable, Stacy Meyer

The voting meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Spring Grove Area School District was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board President, Douglas Stein. Following the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence, roll call indicated seven Board members present, with Eric Cable absent due to personal reasons and Stacy Meyer absent due to illness.

Mr. Stein announced there were no executive sessions held since the last sunshine meeting. There will be an executive session for personnel immediately following adjournment of the discussion meeting, which follows the voting meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Doug Meckley, President of York County Coordinating Council of PSEA, presented a Borders Gift Card to members of the Board, in the amount of \$250 to be used toward the purchase of books for Paradise Elementary.

On behalf of SGEA, Mr. Meckley, President, expressed concern with changes proposed to Board Policy No. 237, specifically liberalization of student cell phone possession during the school day, which teachers feel may be inappropriate. Mr. Meckley noted that with students' adeptness at using modern technology, this policy change may invite students to covertly use their devices during instructional time, requiring teachers to address the interruption and necessitate disciplinary action. Mr. Meckley welcomed administrators to meet with him and other teachers to discuss other options to revising Policy 237.

Robin Russo, Heidelberg Township, suggested if the board opts to repeal the Per Capita / Occupation Tax and convert that revenue to a millage percentage increase instead, that they deduct that percentage from the overall base millage rate in future years before applying any increase; then add that percentage back in at the end. He also suggested that the exemption for seniors from the existing PC/OC tax, remain an exemption provision from the imposed millage rate increase as a result of the repealed PC/OC tax.

1. Following a report of the Policy Committee's recommendations read by Mr. Brent Hoschar, Mr. Hoschar moved and Cindy Huber seconded the following:
  - I. Approval of the Middle School Administration and Superintendent's recommendation that the Admission and Waiver Agreement dated April 19, 2011 be approved as documented.

Vote by roll call resulted in the motion carrying with a unanimous vote by board members in favor.

2. Following a report of the Personnel Committee's recommendations read by Mary Dolheimer, Ms. Dolheimer moved and Anne Jones seconded the following:
  - I. Approval of the following resignations:
    - A. High School Business Education Instructor – John Jurasic, effective at the conclusion of the last day for professional staff, due to retirement.
    - B. High School Counselor – Pamela Rutledge, effective at the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year, due to retirement.
    - C. High School Special Education Instructor – Sonya Duncan, effective at the conclusion of the last day for professional staff, due to retirement.
  - II. Approval of the following requests for Family and Medical Leave of Absence:
    - A. District Technology Clerk – Jeffrey Dell, beginning April 13, 2011, until April 24, 2011, not to exceed the 12 week maximum as outlined under the Family and Medical Leave Guidelines for the restoration of health.
    - B. Elementary Library Aide – Lesa Masemer, beginning April 15, 2011, until approximately April 27, 2011, not to exceed the 12 week maximum as outlined under the Family and Medical Leave Guidelines for the restoration of health.
  - III. Approval of the following request for uncompensated leave:
    - A. Intermediate School Cafeteria Employee – Christine Hamaker, beginning April 15, 2011, through approximately May 4, 2011, due to the restoration of health.

Vote by roll call resulted in the motion carrying with a unanimous vote by board members in favor.

Ms. Dolheimer congratulated retirees and thanked them for their years of service in Spring Grove.

Dr. Lombardo noted these approved retirements bring the total number of furloughed instructional staff to 21, with no replacements anticipated. He indicated this decrease in staff will have a significant impact on services to students and the educating process during 2011-2012 and subsequent years.

Regular Voting Meeting  
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Mary Dolheimer moved for adjournment at 7:12 PM. The motion was seconded by Cindy Huber and was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

George W. Ioannidis  
Business Manager / Board Secretary