

The Spring Grove Area School Board of Directors met for its regular session on Monday, May 21, 2012. This meeting was held in the Education Service Center, 100 East College Avenue, Spring Grove, PA. Mr. Douglas Stein, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed. Roll call by the Board Recording Secretary showed Mike Brookhart, Eric Cable, Brent Hoschar, Cindy Huber, Stacy Meyer, Emily Sindlinger, Douglas Stein, David Trettel, and Douglas White present. Mr. Stein reported no executive sessions since the last sunshine meeting.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Robert Lombardo, Superintendent, asked Brian Hastings, High School Physics Instructor, to introduce students from this year’s State Science Olympiad competition. Mr. Hastings coached the Rocket Scientists this school year and acknowledged the students’ accomplishment of ranking fourth in Nationals. Hastings introduced Tobie Sneeringer, this year’s team captain, who has been with the program six years. Tobie thanked the board for their support, and stated these competitions have pushed him to enroll in Penn State University where he will pursue an Aerospace Engineering career. Colton Crockett also thanked board members for their support and stated he is also planning to attend Penn State to pursue an Aerospace Engineering degree. Sarah Strausbaugh stated this is her second year competing, and medaling in the competition increased her interest in the aerospace industry. She will enroll at Clarion for the fall to major in Physics. Hastings shared that the devices from the competition would be on display in the board room for board members’ perusal. Dr. Lombardo thanked Mr. Hastings for putting Spring Grove on the map nationwide.

Steve Guadagnino, Middle School Principal, shared this year’s mini-THON results on behalf of Jess O’Brien. Guadagnino thanked club members, students, staff and board for their support. He acknowledged Adam Warehime, Tianna Tosten, and Leanna Miller as top Middle School money raisers, and Kelsey Hershey, Evan Greer and Erika Gregory as top High School money raisers, noting that Erica raised more than \$10,000. He recognized Bria Keiser, Colby Wildasin, Liam Flaherty, Ellen Greene, Leanna Miller, and Tianna Tosten as six dedicated students who attended leadership workshops, kept records, and were responsible for almost every decision with this year’s Thon, which was noted as the most successful in Central PA, with the highest amount raised in Spring Grove’s history of \$62,540.18. On behalf of the district and board members, Dr. Lombardo thanked the students and Jessica O’Brien for all their hard work.

Tuesday Altland, Editor in Chief of this year’s Yearbook Committee and High School Senior, presented school board members with a copy of the 2012 yearbook. Dr. Lombardo thanked Miss Altland for coming.

The Superintendent recognized Middle School students’ assistance with the Hanover Trolley Trail, stating their willingness to plant trees, shrubs and plants along the Spring Grove portion of the route was appreciated by members of the Rail Trail Authority Board. Students were commended for their diligence and hard work to complete the project, as well as for their exceptional respect to instructors and to the site.

Dr. Lombardo recognized Haley Miller, Student Representative, on this her final board meeting, and thanked her for a job well done throughout the school year. Haley will be recognized at the Awards Banquet being held on May 22.

Haley Miller gave the Student Representative Report, noting building activities throughout the past month which included a visit by Seth Grove, PA State Representative, to third graders at SGE. The High School recently held Grova Paloosa, and both prom and the recent Hometown Jam were huge successes. Doug Stein thanked Haley on behalf of the entire board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Timothy Bupp, representing Spring Grove Music Boosters, commented that the NAMM Foundation recently announced results of its 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Best Communities for Music Education, acknowledging Spring Grove among 166 districts recognized nationwide. Mr. Bupp noted that this ranking identifies Spring Grove Area School District as having achieved the designation of being one of the best music education districts in the country. Mr. Bupp thanked the school board and district administrators for their support of the music program.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Doug Stein noted receiving correspondence from PDE dated May 8, 2012, acknowledging receipt of the PlanCon Part K, "Project Refinancing" for Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2011 to advance refund a portion of GOB, Series A of 2006, identified as Lease No. 113080. This correspondence verifies the material is in a form acceptable to PDE and is hereby approved. This correspondence will enter into permanent record.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Cindy Huber shared a legislative update with the board, which included such items as SB 327, revising the election process for board members, HB 2319, SB1296, which establishes a process for Superintendent and Asst. Superintendent contracts, SB157 relating to homeless children, and proposed revisions to chapter 4 regulations related to graduation requirements and keystone exams. Huber noted that the US Department of Agriculture issued an interim rule effective July 1, 2012, which amends the National School Lunch Program regulations. Additionally, Huber noted a public hearing to take place on HB1776, and shared that there is a PSBA region 9 meeting on May 29 @ 6 pm in Lancaster, should any board member(s) wish to attend.

**YORK ADAMS ACADEMY**

Stacy Meyer indicated the last meeting was held in March, with the next meeting scheduled for May 29.

**YORK COUNTY SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY**

Cindy Huber reported that YMCA opted out of the Agreement with YCST to run an Early Learning Center; however, the school pulled in Hildebrand Learning Center for these same services, which will begin this fall for 2012/2013. Graduation is scheduled for Thursday, June 7, at Toyota Arena.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Cable moved and Trettel seconded the approval of the following minutes: Regular Board Meeting, April 16, 2012, Voting Meeting, May 7, 2012, and Directors' Study Forum, May 7, 2012. Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Michael Brookhart presented the Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2012.

2. Brookhart moved and Meyer seconded the approval of the Treasurer's Report as presented.

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

**BUSINESS/FINANCE REPORTS**

3. Following a report of the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendations read by Mike Brookhart, Brookhart moved and Sindlinger seconded the following:

A. Approval of the Accounts Payable lists as presented.

B. Approval of the attached resolution to provide an option for installment payment of real estate taxes for all taxpayers of the Spring Grove Area School District, pursuant to the Taxpayer Relief Act, 53 P.S. § 6926.1502.

- C. Approval for the district to contract with Municipay to process online payments for School District real estate taxes.
- D. Approval to enter into the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) with Staples Corporation, at no cost to the district for the agreement.
- E. Approval to enter into a contract with ALPS of York, PA for print management services, with contract renewal on an annual basis and the ability to terminate at the end of each year.
- F. Approval of the attached budgetary transfers for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.
- G. Approval of the appointment of Michael Brookhart as Treasurer for the Spring Grove Area School District for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.
- H. Approval of the Nutrition Services Fund Budget for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, with total revenues of \$2,160,166, which include a \$0.10 increase in breakfast and lunch program prices from the previous year, total expenditures of \$2,149,860, and an ending surplus of \$10,306.
- I. Approval of the General Fund Budget for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, with total revenues of \$55,240,389, total expenditures of \$59,130,470, with the shortfall of \$3,890,081 to be funded from the General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance, and setting the real estate tax millage rate at 20.0831 mills, an increase of .6788 mills from the restated millage rate of 19.4043 mills (based upon the rescission of mills due to refinancing of debt exception); in addition, earned income tax of ½% and real estate transfer tax of ½% under Act 511.
- J. Appointment of the following as school depositories for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013:
  - a. M&T Bank, 33 Roth’s Church Road, Spring Grove, PA
  - b. Susquehanna Bank, 10 South Main Street, Spring Grove, PA
  - c. PayPal (an eBay Company) headquartered at 2211 North First Street, San Jose CA 95131

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

- 4. Following a report of the Building and Grounds Committee’s recommendations read by Eric Cable, Cable moved and Huber seconded the following:
  - A. Approval to dispose of the hearing / audio technology equipment, as indicated on the attached listing, no longer useful in district buildings.
  - B. Approval, in accordance with Board Policy #707, of the following Use of Facilities request:
    - a. Power of One Club, Kyle Sprenkle and Tyler Clabaugh, Spring Grove, PA.

<b>Activity:</b>	Rocket Strength Camp
<b>Facility:</b>	High School Gym, Weight Room, Indoor/Outdoor Track, Library ( area w/projector/screen/computer/), pool, courtyard, back athletic fields (behind HS).
<b>Date(s):</b>	Monday June 4 – Thursday June 7, 2012.
<b>Time(s):</b>	7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
<b>Insurance:</b>	Requested prior to event.
<b>Fee:</b>	Requested waiver of rental fees. Pool supervision fees will apply.

Sindlinger requested a separate vote on item B.

Dr. Lombardo researched the use of facilities request and noted that the Camp Director is an employee of Hanover YMCA, Mr. Tyler Clabaugh, who is collecting a cost for registration of \$125 to \$175 per student, which goes to Mr. Clabaugh's non-profit organization; however, the Power of One Club is making this request. Following lengthy discussion concerning Policy 707 language, which outlines use of school facilities and a fee schedule with varying considerations, Cable stated that this particular situation is not specifically addressed. Cable called the question.

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

Vote by roll call on item B. resulted in the motion failing, with White, Meyer, Huber and Brookhart voting in favor, and Hoschar, Trettel, Sindlinger, Cable and Stein voting against. Consensus of the board was for administration to consider approval of the request at their discretion, and according to policy language (following clarification from Mr. Clabaugh and Mr. Miller). Should Policy 707 need to be revisited to address similar requests in the future, the administration will bring before the board for discussion at a future meeting.

5. Following a report of the Transportation Committee's recommendations read by Douglas White, White moved and Sindlinger seconded the following:

A. Approval of the following contracted Durham School Services, Inc. bus/van driver for the 2011-2012 school year:

a. Donna Gates

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

**MANAGEMENT REPORTS:**

6. Following a report of the Policy Committee's recommendations read by Brent Hoschar, Hoschar moved and Trettel seconded the following:

A. Approval of a first reading for the following policies:

a. Policy No. 213: PUPILS, Grading of Student Progress

B. Approval of the attached Code of Student Conduct to be included in 2012-2013 Student/Parent Handbooks.

C. Approval of the High School Administration and Superintendent's recommendation that the Agreement, Waiver and Stipulation dated May 7, 2012 be approved as documented.

D. In accordance with Policy #702, Gifts, Grants and Donations, acceptance of the following:

a. 3/8 size violin, made by Roth Shop Violins, Model #301, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Joel Miller

b. 1/2 size violin, made by Rothenburg, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Ron Taylor

c. 1/2 size violin, made by Knilling, Model #31244, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Good

d. Knilling Bucharest Viola, donated by Jessica Waltersdorff

e. Alto Saxophone, donated by Erica Cichetti

f. Conn Director Trumpet, donated by Jessica Waltersdorff

g. Clarinet, donated by Haley Staub

- h. Acoustic Guitar with Case, and Snare Drum with Case, Stand and Sticks, donated by Tina Gallant
- i. Pearl Pk-900 Student Model Bells and Practice Pad Set, donated by Matt Sheehan
- j. Two (2) 4 x 6 carpeted risers with matching folding steps, manufactured by Wenger Company, donated by Bettyon Organ Service, Inc., of Jefferson, PA.

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

- 7. Following a report of the Personnel Committee's recommendations read by Cindy Huber, Huber moved and Hoschar seconded the following:
  - A. Approval of the following position description:
    - a. Special Education Supervisor
  - B. Approval of the following resignations:
    - a. Intermediate School Reading Specialist – Mary Jane Matcham, effective August 6, 2012, due to relocating out of state.
    - b. District Copier Aide – Bonnie Sterner, effective at the conclusion of the 2011-2012 school term, due to personal reasons.
  - C. Approval of the following requests for family and medical leave:
    - a. High School Spanish Instructor – Cora Roush, effective approximately October 6, 2012, not to exceed the 12 week maximum as outlined under the Family and Medical Leave guidelines for child rearing leave.
    - b. Paradise Elementary Head Custodian – Benjamin Hershey, effective June 19, 2012, not to exceed the 12 week maximum as outlined under the Family and Medical Leave guidelines for the restoration of health.
  - D. Approval of the following request for severance pay as outlined under the Wage and Salary Guidelines for support staff:
    - a. Mary Brungard – \$3,000.00 (150 maximum unused sick days x \$20/day)
  - E. Approval of the following transfer:
    - a. Special Education Supervisor – Michelle Ludwig, from a 200 day contract, Special Education Supervisor, Grades 7-12, to a 260 day contract, Special Education Supervisor, effective July 1, 2012. Compensation established at an annual salary of \$87,000.00 for the 2012-2013 school year.
    - b. Head Field Hockey Coach – Brooke Aumen, from Junior High Head Field Hockey Coach to High School Head Field Hockey Coach, effective May 22, 2012. Compensation established at a stipend of \$2,510.00 for the 2012-2013 school year.

F. Approval of the following appointments:

- a. High School Head Golf Coach – David Childress, effective May 22, 2012, pending receipt of current favorable Act 151 background clearances, for the 2012-2013 school year. Compensation is established at \$2,448.00 per agreement between Spring Grove Area School District and the Spring Grove Education Association.
- b. Student Technology Assistant – Benjamin Inscore, as a part-time, student Technology Assistant, effective June 11, 2012. Compensation established at \$7.50 per hour.

Following brief discussion concerning item (E)(b), vote by roll call resulted in the motion carrying with Sindlinger, Hoschar, Meyer, Cable, Huber, Trettel, White and Stein voting in favor. Brookhart voted against.

**PROGRAM REPORTS:**

8. Following a report of the Athletic and Music Committee’s recommendations read by Stacy Meyer, Meyer moved and Huber seconded the following:

- A. Approval of the service agreement with Hanover Hospital, for the period of July 1, 2012 – through June 30, 2013, in order to provide on-site athletic training services for athletes engaged or participating in District athletic programs, on an as needed basis, at a rate of \$28.00 per hour.

Sindlinger requested to know the approximate amount expended for this contract in the past. Vote by roll call resulted in the motion carrying with a unanimous vote by board members in favor.

9. Following a report of the Curriculum Committee’s recommendations read by Emily Sindlinger, Sindlinger moved and Huber seconded the following:

- A. Approval to purchase the following textbooks/resources/licenses for the 2012-2013 school year:

<u>Title of Materials</u>	<u>Grade Level</u>	<u>Publisher</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cracking the SAT, 2012 Edition	11 - 12	The Princeton Review, Inc.	\$660.00
<u>IT Essential's hardware and software package (site license)</u>	11 - 12	Cisco	\$700.00
General Supplies	11 - 12	N/A	\$400.00
<u>Alice 2.0: Introductory Concepts and Techniques</u> Shelly/Cashman/Herbert 1st Edition [Course Technology, 2007]	10 - 12	Course Technology	\$924.75
<u>Microsoft® Office 2010 Illustrated, Second Course</u> Beskeen/Cram/Duffy/Friedrichsen/Wermers 1st Edition [Course Technology, 2011] ISBN: 9780538748131 / 538748133	9 - 12	Course Technology	\$2,396.25
<u>Microsoft® Office 2007/2010 Site License (1)</u> ISBN: 0-538-47638-9	9 - 12	Microsoft Office	\$2,950.00

<u>Web 2.0: Concepts and Applications</u> Shelly/Frydenberg 1st Edition [Course Technology, 2011] ISBN: 9781439048023 / 439048029	9 - 12	Course Technology	\$1,370.25
Total			\$9,401.25

B. Approval of the following new/revised curricula:

Title	Department
Computer Applications Level 1	Business Education
Computer Applications Level 2	Business Education
Game Programming and Design	Business Education
Web 2.0 Tools	Business Education
AP English Literature	Communication Arts
SAT Preparation	Mathematics
AP Calculus AB	Mathematics
Algebra 2 Concepts	Mathematics
Geometry Concepts	Mathematics
AP Statistics	Mathematics
AP Music Theory	Music
AP Physics B	Science
AP Chemistry – Grade 12	Science
AP United States History	Social Studies
AP European History	Social Studies
Informational Technology (IT) Essentials	Technology

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

Sindlinger moved and White seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:06 PM. Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

George W. Ioannidis  
 Business Manager/Board Secretary