

The Spring Grove Area School District Board of Directors met for its regular session on Monday, October 21, 2013. This meeting was held in the Large Group Instruction Area of the Spring Grove Area Middle School, 244 Old Hanover Road, 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 Board Recording Secretary showed Eric Cable, Brent Hoschar, Stacy Meyer, Emily Sindlinger, Douglas Stein, Todd Staub, David Trettel, and Douglas White present, and Cindy Huber absent for business. Mr. Stein indicated two executive sessions were held since the last sunshine meeting, on October 7, 2013, for student discipline and personnel purposes respectively, and announced there will be an executive session for personnel following adjournment of tonight's meeting.

Mr. Stein acknowledged Dr. Lombardo's win at the tennis match held on Friday between the two of them, and presented Dr. Lombardo with a "small" trophy.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lombardo, Superintendent, introduced Emma Hoffnagle, Kiah Morrison, and Haley Staub, High School seniors, who shared a brief PowerPoint highlighting their trip Europe over the summer. The students thanked the School Board, the Historical Society, and Mayor Delores Aumen for their support in making the trip possible.

The Superintendent introduced Doug Sprinkle and Tyler Wire, High School students, who presented a brief overview of the Future Farmers Club via PowerPoint. Sprinkle noted the club began with approximately ¼ acre of land, and the administration has recommended an increase to a total of approximately two acres. Plans for harvested produce include collaborative efforts with the district for educational and fundraising purposes. Board members sampled soup made from harvested butternut squash.

Dr. Lombardo introduced Hannah Sheffer, Savannah McCaskill, and Ryan Joel, High School students, along with Carlotta Grünjes, Klara Schulte-Bunert, Robin Bundschuh, German exchange students, who shared a PowerPoint and brief comments highlighting their experiences as part of 2013-2014 German American Partnership Program (GAPP). Mrs. Deanna Thatcher, GAPP Advisor, thanked the School Board and Administration for their support of the program.

Nancy Daniels and Ruth Benner, Family Consumer Science instructors, displayed the 2012-13 Quilt of Valor created by Middle School students, and noted their work took "Best of Show" at the 2013 York Fair. An assembly is planned for November 8th when the quilt will be presented to the parents and family of fallen soldier and High School graduate, Cameron Stambaugh, who was killed in the line of duty in Afghanistan, July 2012.

Dr. Lombardo recognized Emily Sindlinger for 8 years of exemplary service as a board member, and presented her with a PSBA Honorary Certificate.

The Superintendent noted a final score of 2-1 in his tennis match with Board President Stein. Although sustaining minor injuries, Lombardo prevailed. A good time was had by all.

Doug Stein commented on the Board's appreciation for all students' comments and presentations.

Andrew Moul, Student Representative, gave a report of activities and events taking place throughout the month at buildings around the district. Moul noted highlights of High School activities, including Homecoming activities, a tractor parade, and a Veteran's parade.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Todd Staub, Athletic Boosters, noted the organization recently held two fundraisers, one of which was the annual golf outing. Eighteen groups were represented, a higher participation rate than previous years and an indication that the event is growing. Staub noted Jasmine Cope, a former Spring Grove student and volleyball player who lost her courageous battle with cancer in 2010, would have been a senior this year. During senior night, Cope's jersey, which was cased in glass, was presented to her parents by 2013 team members.

Reverend William Beck, North Codorus Township, shared that Durham School Services is a British - owned company that is currently in litigation, and he encouraged board members to hold Durham accountable for all services outlined in the current contract. Beck also urged board members to carefully review details of submissions, if approving the action item to request proposals for transportation services. He noted that October is National Breast Cancer month.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

David Trettel shared that the Senate Committee recently approved SB1085, Charter School Reform, and gave updates to the status of SB 76/HB 76, Analysis of Proposal to Replace School Property Taxes. Trettel noted agenda items for upcoming legislative meetings, and shared bills on the docket for consideration: SB733, HB1374, HB1741, HB 810, SB46 and HB 376.

YORK ADAMS ACADEMY

Stacy Meyer reported the most recent YAA meeting was held September 24. All districts were represented, with the exception of Central and York Suburban. YAA enrollment is currently down, and Spring Grove has filled seven of 12 allotted seats. Dave Detzel encouraged school districts to make sure counselors are presenting YAA to students as an option, when appropriate.

YORK COUNTY SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

Brent Hoschar reported the most recent YCST meeting was held September 26. He indicated that a silver medal was earned by Whitney Kessinger, a 10th grade Spring Grove resident and student of YCST, during the Teach and Train Competition, part of Career and Community Leaders of America. The next scheduled meeting is October 31, and an Open House is planned for November 7. Students of the Middle School will take part in a YCST program presentation on Tuesday, October 22.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Cable moved and Sindlinger seconded the approval of the following minutes: Regular Board Meeting, September 23, 2013; Voting Meeting, October 7, 2013; and Directors' Study Forum, October 7, 2013. Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Eric Cable presented the Treasurer's Report for the month ending September 30, 2013.

2. Cable moved and Trettel 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 Eric Cable, Cable moved and Hoschar seconded the following:

- A. Approval of the Accounts Payable lists as presented.

- B. Approval to procure a digital two-way radio system, from Mill's Communication, Inc., to be used in and around respective district buildings, and to consist of FCC licensing (good for ten years), a repeater, and a total of 30 digital radios, at a cost not to exceed \$14,880.10.
- C. Approval to move from the existing Global Connect mass communication system for automated phone calls, to One Call Now, which will allow for greater sharing of data from the District's student information system, and incur no additional costs as part of the implementation.

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

- 4. Following a report of the Transportation Committee's recommendations read by Todd Staub, Staub moved and Trettel seconded the following:
 - A. Approval to issue a Request for Proposal for the provision for pupil transportation services beginning with the 2014-2015 school year.
 - B. Approval of the following contracted Durham School Services, Inc. bus/van drivers for the 2013-14 school year:
 - 1) Shannon Lauer
 - 2) Cindy Zimmerman
 - 3) Laura Dennis
 - 4) Christine Donovan
 - 5) Julie Myers

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

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

- 5. Following a report of the Policy Committee's recommendations read by Brent Hoschar, Hoschar moved and Trettel seconded the following:
 - A. Approval of a second reading for the following policies:
 - a. Policy No. 605: FINANCES, Tax Levy
 - B. Student Discipline:
 - 1) High School Administration and Superintendent's recommendation of the Agreement, Waiver and Stipulation as documented (for student 004) during a meeting held on October 8, 2013.
 - 2) High School Administration and Superintendent's recommendation of the Agreement, Waiver and Stipulation as documented (for student 005) during a meeting held on October 10, 2013.
 - C. Approval of the attached schedule of meetings for the Board of School Directors during the 2014 calendar year.
 - D. Approval of the attached 2013-2014 annual plan for the Spring Grove Area Education Fund.
 - E. Approval to conduct a full-day kindergarten program in the district, retroactive to the start of the 2001-2002 school year.

- F. Approval of the attached list of individuals to serve as a committee working toward development and assembly of the District's 2015-2018 Comprehensive Plan, formerly known as the Strategic Plan.
- G. Acceptance of the following donations in accordance with Board Policy No. 702, Gifts, Grants and Donations:
 - 1) From the New Salem Elementary PTO: One teacher coupon valued at \$50.00, to each of (30) teachers at New Salem Elementary, for purchases over the course of the school year toward school supplies (Total = \$1,550.00); a monetary donation of \$750.00 for New Salem Grade 1 students to go on a field trip to Brown's Orchards; a monetary donation of \$850.25 to host a school wide S.T.E.M. assembly for New Salem students.

Vote by roll call on all items of policy resulted in the motion carrying with a unanimous vote by board members in favor.

- 6. Following a report of the Personnel Committee's recommendations read by Brent Hoschar, Hoschar moved and Staub seconded the following:
 - A. Approval of the following request for family and medical leave:
 - 1) District Network Specialist – David Livelsberger, beginning October 15, 2013, for approximately 1-2 weeks, not to exceed the 12 week maximum as outlined under the Family and Medical Leave guidelines for restoration of health.
 - B. Approval of the following appointments:
 - 1) Intermediate School Learning Support Aide – Denise Fink, as a part-time 4 hours per student day, special education aide, effective October 16, 2013. Compensation established at \$9.17 per hour base rate.
 - 2) Student Custodian – Ha Ni Lee, as a part-time, student custodian, effective October 14, 2013. Compensation established at \$7.50 per hour.
 - 3) High School Head Boys' & Head Girls' Track Coach – Scott Govern, effective for the 2013-2014 school year. Stipend established at \$3,825.00, in accordance with the agreement between Spring Grove Education Association and Spring Grove Area School District.
 - 4) Lifeguard Swimming Aide – Sabrina Martin, effective September 23, 2013, for the 2013-2014 school year. Compensation established at \$7.50 per hour.
 - C. Approval of the following classified substitutes for the 2013-2014 school year at the hourly rate approved in the Classified Wage & Salary Guidelines:
 - 1) Barbara Gilbert
 - 2) Bernadette Mummert

Vote by roll call on all items of personnel resulted in the motion carrying, with a unanimous vote by board members in favor.

PROGRAM REPORT:

7. Following a report of the Curriculum Committee's recommendations read by Emily Sindlinger, Sindlinger moved and Cable seconded the following:

- A. Approval for approximately 140 high school students, along with Daniel Brenner, Brian Buterbaugh, and Kyle Showalter, High School Music Teachers, a school nurse, and multiple parent chaperones, to travel to Williamsburg, Virginia, and Washington, D.C., April 17-19, 2014.

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

Mr. Stein reminded board members of the executive session for personnel following adjournment.

Trettel moved and White seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:49 PM. Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

George W. Ioannidis
Business Manager/Board Secretary