

SHARPSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
January 17, 2012

The regular meeting of the Sharpsville Area School Board was held in the Board Room at the Seventh Street Building on January 17, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. with President Bill Henwood presiding. The following members were present: David DeForest, Gary Grandy, Bill Henwood, Daniel Houck, Tom Lapikas, John Napotnik, Patrick O'Connor, and Janice Raykie. Deanna Thomas arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Also present were Superintendent Mark Ferrara and Senior Business Manager/Board Secretary Jaime Roberts.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

There was a motion by Mr. Grandy, seconded by Mr. DeForest, to approve the meeting agenda.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There was a motion by Mr. Grandy, seconded by Mr. Houck, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion carried.

RETIREE RECOGNITION – GARY BAKER

Mr. Henwood presented Mr. Gary Baker with a certificate of appreciation for his 32 years of service with the Sharpsville Area School District in the maintenance department.

Mrs. Thomas arrived at 7:05

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Board Secretary Jaime Roberts recommended the following action:

APPROVAL OF EXONERATIONS

There was a motion by Mr. Houck, seconded by Mr. Grandy, to exonerate the following tax collectors from the collection of the 2011 flat rate per capita and/or occupation taxes:

1.	Sharpsville Borough	Alma J. Kovach	\$ 22,086.00
2.	South Pymatuning Township	LeaAnne Dumars	\$ 3,535.00
3.	Clark Borough	Debra Schnur	\$ 820.00

A total of \$6,686.00 will be turned over to Sharp Collections as delinquent.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor,
Raykie and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer John Napotnik recommended the following action:

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

There was a motion by Mr. Napotnik, seconded by Mr. DeForest, to approve the following business:

1. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS**

Approval of the Monthly Financial Activity of the Payroll, General Fund, and Capital Reserve Accounts with month end balances as follows:

a. Month End Balances	November	December
1) Payroll Fund	\$ 15,997.71	\$ 24,086.47
2) General Fund	\$3,671,117.24	\$3,956,943.58
3) Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 604,870.40	\$ 605,034.44

2. **RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

a. General Fund

1) Affirmed for November	\$ 7,172.46
2) Affirmed for December	\$ 1,257,740.88
3) Approved for January	\$ 140,509.83

b. Capital Reserve Fund

1) Affirmed for November	\$ 100.00
2) Approved for January	\$ 75,374.79

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor,
Raykie and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

FINANCE REPORT

Chairman David DeForest recommended the following action:

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

There was a motion by Mr. DeForest, seconded by Mrs. Raykie, to approve the November and December activity from the Middle School and High School Activity accounts.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

2012-2013 PRELIMINARY GENERAL FUND BUDGET

There was a motion by Mr. DeForest, seconded by Mr. Napotnik, to approve the 2012-2013 Preliminary General Fund Budget in the amount of \$15,090,779.00 (3.9% Increase)

Roll Call Vote:	David DeForest	No
	Gary Grandy	No
	William Henwood	Yes
	Daniel Houck	Yes
	Thomas Lapikas	Yes
	John Napotnik	Yes
	Pat O'Connor	Yes
	Janice Raykie	No
	Deanna Thomas	Yes

Motion Carried.

2011-2012 IDEA –B CONTRACT

There was a motion by Mr. DeForest, seconded by Mr. Lapikas, to approve the 2011-2012 IDEA – B Contract with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV for the implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 – Part B.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor,
Raykie and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

ATHLETIC CHECKING ACCOUNT APPROVAL WITH FIRST NATIONAL BANK

There was a motion by Mr. DeForest, seconded by Mr. Houck, to approve a Resolution with First National Bank for signature authority of Board Officers for the Athletic Checking Account.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor,
Raykie and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR MCCULLOUGH RUN (JOINTLY WITH SOUTH PYMATUNING TOWNSHIP)

There was a motion by Mr. DeForest, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, to accept the Foundation Grant for the Prevention of Childhood Obesity in the amount of \$7,048.00 and to authorize payment of \$6,295.98 from Capital Reserve Funds representing the Districts' share of the cash match.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor,
Raykie and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

POLICY REPORT

Chairman Dan Houck announced that the new committee is in the process of digesting the policy information and will have something to present for next month's meeting.

CURRICULUM REPORT

Chairman John Napotnik informed the Board that the committee recently met and the Principals will present their course offerings in February.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Chairman Gary Grandy recommended the following action:

INSTRUCTIONAL AND SUPPORT STAFF SUBSTITUTE LIST

There was a motion by Mr. Grandy, seconded by Mr. DeForest, to approve the following additions and deletions to the Instructional and Support Staff Substitute Lists as presented for the 2011-2012 school year:

Instructional Additions

Robin Beshero	<i>*Bachelors Degree</i>
Nicole Kasiorek	English

Instructional Deletions

Kristin DelMonaco	Elementary
Natalie Vanderella	Elementary
Marcia Barr	<i>*Bachelors Degree</i>
Nancy Collins	<i>*Bachelors Degree</i>
Andrew Sever	Social Studies
Nicole Tofani	Elementary K-6- Spec Ed
Bryan Weber	<i>*Bachelor's Degree – Sports Management</i>

Support Staff Deletions

Edna Piccirilli	Cleaning
Tracy Gordon	Cleaning
Nancy Collins	Aide
Carol McCurry	Cafeteria, Aide

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

VOLUNTEER LIST UPDATES

There was a motion by Mr. Grandy, seconded by Mrs. Raykie, to approve the additions and deletions to the Volunteer List, the same being attached to and a part of these minutes.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

LEAVE OF ABSENCES

There was a motion by Mr. Grandy, seconded by Mr. Napotnik, to approve the following absence requests:

1. Sandy Melius, unpaid leave of absence December 19 & 21, 2011
2. Jaime Presley's leave of absence beginning approximately January 16, 2012 until approximately April 30, 2012
3. Debbie Sobash's leave of absence beginning approximately January 16, 2012 until approximately January 31, 2012

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

INTENT TO RETIRE- NO BOARD ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. Grandy announced that Lawrence Candiotti submitted his intent to retire on November 2, 2012.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REPORT

Chairman Tom Lapikas recommended the following action:

USE OF FACILITY REQUEST

There was a motion by Mr. Lapikas, seconded by Mr. Houck, to approve for the Sharpsville Little League to hold Little League Try outs in the MS Gym on Saturday, March 17, 2012 from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM at a fee of \$100.00 for the usage of the gymnasium and overtime fees if applicable.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

NEGOTIATIONS REPORT

Chairman Bill Henwood had no report.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Chairman Deanna Thomas announced that there is no report at this time, but is aware that there are some email issues and will be in contact with Mr. Williams for an update.

CAFETERIA REPORT

Chairman Janice Raykie recommended the following action:

FINANCE REPORT

There was a motion by Mrs. Raykie, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, to approve the activity of the Cafeteria Fund for the months of November and December.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

ATHLETIC REPORT

Chairman Pat O'Connor recommended the following action:

VOLUNTEER COACH APPROVALS

There was a motion by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Napotnik, to approve the following volunteer coaches:

1. Dennis Bornes as an Elementary Intramural Boys' Basketball Volunteer for the 2011-2012 school year
2. Kyle Rupp as a Baseball Volunteer for the 2011-2012 school year

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL COMPLEX-MOTION RESCINDED

There was a motion by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Grandy, to rescind the motion dated October 17, 2011 to authorize up to \$25,000 of capital reserve funds to be spent on the Kirila Softball Field pursuant to all legal documents being in place prior to the authorization of any expenditure.

Approved: Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: DeForest

Motion Carried.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL COMPLEX APPROVAL

There was a motion by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Houck, to build a Girls' Softball Complex at the Milliken Avenue site and to commit \$25,000 of capital reserve funds to begin the project.

Approved: Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: DeForest

Motion Carried.

MERCER COUNTY CAREER CENTER REPORT

Chairman David DeForest informed the Board that the Career Center reorganized on December 13, 2011 and their first meeting of the year will be held next week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Mr. Ferrara recommended the following action:

LINKAGE AGREEMENT APPROVAL

There was a motion by Mr. Napotnik, seconded by Mrs. Raykie, to renew the following Linkage Agreements:

1. Family Connections Program of Community Counseling Center of Mercer County
2. Sharon Regional Health System's Partial Hospitalization Programs, Pathfinders and Kite Strings

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

CONFERENCE APPROVAL

There was a motion by Mr. Napotnik , seconded by Mr. O'Connor, to approve for Mark Ferrara to travel on a Legislative Trip with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV to Harrisburg on January 23, 24 & 25, 2012 with travel expenses not to exceed \$250.00.

Approved: DeForest, Grandy, Henwood, Houck, Lapikas, Napotnik, O'Connor, Raykie, and Thomas

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion by Mr. Grandy, seconded by Mr. Lapikas, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Jaime L. Roberts
Jaime L. Roberts, Board Secretary