

SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17109

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

JUNE 28, 2010
7:00 P. M.

I. CALL TO ORDER, SILENT MEDITATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND INTRODUCTIONS

II. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

- People will be called in the order they appear on the “Sign-In” Sheet
- Time limit is three minutes per person.
- When called, please stand, state your name and address before beginning.
- This part of the agenda is the only time when members of the audience should address the board.

III. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

- A. Progress Building Update
- B. Discussion of the purchase of the PASA/PASBO Building (Action Requested)
- C. Approval of the 2010-2011 final budget for the Susquehanna Township School District with expenditures of \$41,800,539; revenues of \$40,829,622 with the following tax structure:
 - 1. A tax of 16.43 mills on the total assessed valuation on all property taxable for school purposes per resolution;
 - 2. Homestead/Farmstead exclusion of \$4,224 per resolution
 - 3. A Per Capita Tax of \$5.00 per person 18 years of age or over as of July 1
 - 4. A Residence Tax of \$5.00 per person 18 years of age or over as of July 1
 - 5. An Earned Income Tax at the rate of 1%
 - 6. An Occupation Tax at the rate of \$270.00 per person 18 years of age or over who makes in excess of \$5,000
 - 7. A Real Estate Transfer Tax at the rate of ½ of 1%
 - 8. A Local Services Tax at the rate of \$5.00.

(Hearing of the Public Regarding Presentations and Discussions)

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Meeting of May 24, 2010

V. PROGRAM

A. Approve attendance at conferences for the following:

Emery Cook	CPR Course for Health Care Professionals Harrisburg, June 3	\$65.00
Emery Cook	Training in Windows 2007 Harrisburg, June 3, 5 & 10	\$175.00
Camilla Dodds	Intensive Skill Training in Applied Beh Harrisburg, July 20 – 22	No Charge
Joan Tracy	Community on Transition State College, July 21 - 23	\$195.00

VI. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations

1. Approve the resignation of Mr. Jason M. Davis, high school 9th grade guidance counselor, effective July 14, 2010.
2. Approve the resignation of Ms. Christina Harris, high school English teacher, effective June 14, 2010.
3. Approve the resignation of Ms. Mary P. Richards, language arts teacher at the Middle School, effective June 15, 2010.
4. Approve the resignation of Ms. Janet Salerno, gifted support teacher at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 14, 2010.

B. Termination

1. Approve termination of employment for Ms. Roxanne Carrell, transition facilitator SADD/TATU, effective July 1, 2010.

C. Recommended for Employment

1. Approve employment of the following part-time substitute food service workers, contingent upon receipt of clearances:

Ms. Rosemary Morris, at \$9.65 per hour (2009-10 Teamsters Union Contract), effective 5/10/10.
Ms. Beverly Waters, at \$10.04 per hour (2010-11 Teamsters Union Contract), effective 8/26/10.

2. Approve the continued employment of Mrs. Daphne Champagne as the District's Volunteer Program Coordinator at \$10,160.00 and as Performing Arts Coordinator at \$7,770.00 effective the 2010-2011 school year.
3. Approve the employment of Mrs. Sieta Achampong as Director of Alternative Education effective the 2010-2011 school year.
4. Approve employment of the following investigation officer, at \$24.00 per hour, for the 2010-2011 school year:

Mr. Kevin E. Fox
5. Approve the continued employment of Caldwell & Kearns as solicitor for the Susquehanna Township School District, on a month-to-month basis, for the following tiered hourly rate as was scheduled for 2010-2011 fiscal year:

\$110.00 per hour for board meetings
\$125.00 per hour for student discipline hearings, policy drafting, union negotiations and other general legal services; and
\$145.00 per hour for arbitrations, administrative hearings (due process, PA HRC, etc.) and other litigation.
6. Approve a five (5) year contract for newly-elected Assistant Superintendent Dr. Cathy Tashner at a pro-rated salary based on \$116,000.00, effective upon her release from employment at the Oxford Area School District.

D. Transfers

1. Approve the following transfers effective the 2010-2011 school year:
 - a. Cynthia Hassinger, from 1st Grade at the Sara Lindemuth Elementary School, to 5th Grade at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School
 - b. Jodi Pagni, from 2nd Grade at the Sara Lindemuth Elementary School, to 4th Grade at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School
 - c. Lina Penn, from 5th Grade at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School. to 6th Grade Language Arts at the Middle School
 - d. Lisa Screven, from 4th Grade at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School, to 2nd Grade at the Sara Lindemuth Elementary School
 - e. Sarah Lawrence, from 5th Grade at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School, to Middle School, Gifted
 - f. Matthew Raugh, from 7th Grade Math to 8th Grade Math, at the Middle School
 - g. Nicholas Wanyo, from 8th Grade Math to 7th Grade Math, at the Middle School

- h. Kiva Williamson, from 7th Grade Language Arts to 8th Grade Language Arts at the Middle School
- i. Kathy Woodbridge, from 6th Grade Language Arts to 7th Grade Language Arts at the Middle School

E. Extensions/Supplementals

1. Approve college credit reimbursement for the following:

Jane E. Brindle ½ of \$693.00 = \$346.50
 (Not Permanently Certificated)
 3 credits @ \$231.00 = \$693.00
 Slippery Rock University
 (Managing School Health Issues)

Patricia Buffington 1 credit @ \$644.00 = \$644.00
 University of Phoenix
 (Communication Strategies)

Joseph Headen 3 credits @ \$370.00 = \$1,110.00
 Shippensburg University
 (School Law)

Tiffany Henry ½ of \$1,110.00 = \$555.00
 (Not Permanently Certificated)
 3 credits @ \$370.00 = \$1,110.00
 Wilkes University
 (Educational Cognition)

Aimee D. Miller ½ of \$5,040.00 = \$2,520.00
 (Not Permanently Certificated)
 12 credits @ \$420.00 = \$5,040.00
 Cabrini College
 (Human Development)
 (Learning & Cognition)
 (Curriculum Design)
 (Educational Research)

2. Approve tenure, effective the end of the 2009-2010 school year, for the following:

High School
 Duane A. Jones
 Jesse R. Woodrow

Middle School
 Jessica Bronstein
 Tina M. Ortiz-Sampsell
 Karla Weaver

Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School
 Melissa Miller

Brianne L. Reed

Sara Lindemuth Elementary School

Ashia J. Jennings

Aimee D. Miller

Judy Ogden

Jennifer A. Rainey

3. Approve payment for unused sick leave for the following retirees:

E. Kelly Berry 181.5 days @ \$47.50 = \$8,621.25

Anna M. Bradley 1 day @ \$36.34 = \$ 36.34

4. Approve payment for unused personal leave days for professional and support staff employees as per the attached list.

5. Approve, retroactively, the employment of Ms. Karla Weaver, as a mentor for Christopher Bailey, long-term substitute special education teacher at the middle school, effective the 2009-2010 school year, at a salary of \$500.00.

6. Approve employment of the following staff for the elementary summer school to be held at Sara Lindemuth Elementary School from July 6 – July 30, 2010:

Teachers:

Melissa Berguson

Jayne Soles

Vatesha Bouler

Alexandra Jacobs

Instructional Aides:

Christine Sullivan

Oliver Campbell

Kevin Bittle

Facilitator:

Jessica Jacobs

7. Approve employment of the following teachers for the New Beginnings Summer Program to be held at Susquehanna Township High School from June 21 - August 6, 2010:

Teachers:

Theresa Bowley

Holly Benfer

Mark Billante

Karen Miller

Instructional Aides:

Calvin Hines

Dereasha Banks

Wanda Broomall

8. Approve employment of the following teachers for the Susquehanna Township School District high school summer program to be held at Susquehanna Township High School from June 23 – July 28, 2010:

Teachers:

Jillian Getz

Christine Harris

Jennifer Weller

Mary Pat Evans

Jacolyn McCoy

Lonnie Fletcher

Patricia Buffington

Leslie Hagen

Substitutes:

Susan Shill

Don Whitley

VII. FINANCES

- A. Approve the Cash Balance for the period ending June 24, 2010, showing a balance of \$1,012,462.58.
- B. Approve payment of bills of the General Fund as listed in the Computer Check Register, ending June 24, 2010, totaling \$3,999,447.45.
- C. Approve payment of bills from the Activity Fund as of June 24, 2010, totaling \$3,223.28.
- D. Approve payment of bills from the Food Services Fund, May 11, 2009 through June 9, 2010, totaling \$214,387.80.
- E. Grant approval for the business manager to perform all year-end budget transfers and fund designations for 2009-10 as needed.
- F. Approve the contract with J.P. Harris for tax collection for the 2010-11 fiscal year in the amount of \$55,000 plus \$.75 for each paid bill.
- G. Approve payment of the Capital Projects Fund as listed in the CPF Check Register as of June 24, 2010, totaling \$24,130.57.

VIII. OTHER

- A. Approve the CAIU Special Education Services contract for the 2010-2011 school year.
- B. Approve salary increments for administrative and non-union staffs for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.
- C. SAT Scores
- D. Approve permission for the superintendent to employ personnel prior to the July 26, 2010 school board meeting
- E. Committee Reports:

Hanna Education Foundation
Harrisburg Area Community College
Dauphin County Technical School
Board of Commissioners
Recreation Board
Legislative
Technology

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL, LITIGATION AND DISCIPLINE

X. ADJOURNMENT