

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order this evening in the library of the High School at 7:00 p.m. by the President, Chris Branton.

The meeting opened with the moment of silence and Pledge to the Flag.

Board Members Present: Anthony, Bachman, Bowman, Davenport, Miller, Molino, Page, Persun, and Branton.

Others Present: Dr. Mark Stamm-Superintendent, Jesse Smith-High School Principal, Michele Loomis-Elementary Principal, Kristin Bastian-Special Education Director/School Psychologist, Jamie Mowrey-Assistant Business Manager, Scott Hill-Assistant High School Principal, Bill Reifsnnyder-Maintenance Director, Dennis Artley-Business Manager, and Fred Holland-Solicitor.

Visitors: Mara Labarre, Dustin Green, Charles Haefner, Robert Haefner, Tina Rechele, Kevin Hodrick, Lori Solomon, John Richlin, Hunter Button, Dustin Solomon, Chris Pardee, Marcy Benson, Paul Mosteller, Shane Beckman, Sara Beckman, Ashley Sitler, Rob Houseknecht, Joe Engel, Ellen Koser, Sarah Boyer, Dorothy Hakes, Janelle Kaufman, Gale Workman, Charles Kuntz, Melissa Bradley, Danielle Hall, Ryan Rooney, Tara Stryker, Dawn Leon, Cody Leon, Harvey Leon, Carl Stroup, Debra Stark, Diane Bernstein, Lee Bernstien and Mike Maneval- Sun Gazette.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2018 was moved by Bachman, seconded by Davenport. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS 2017-2018

A motion to approve payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$65,315.35, was moved by Miller, seconded by Persun. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS 2018-2019

A motion to approve payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$1,207,464.99, was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE CAFETERIA FUND BILLS

A motion to approve payment of bills from the Cafeteria Fund in the amount of \$22,256.15, was moved by Miller, seconded by Anthony. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND BILLS

A motion to approve payment of bills from the Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$2,817.50, was moved by Persun, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of September 10, 2018, as written, was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

CONFERENCES

A motion to approve the following conferences was moved by Bachman, seconded by Persun.

- **Cindy Troutman-Myers**, to attend the Amoco Workshop on November 9, 2018, sponsored by Centered Earth.
- **Lisa Beach**, to attend the A/CAPA Fall Conference, sponsored by PDE held at Hershey, PA, on October 29-30, 2018.
- **Dwight Woodley and three elementary teachers**, to attend the Future Ready Innovation Day, sponsored by Blast IU 17 & First Community Foundation held at First Community Foundation on October 5, 2018.
- **Dwight Woodley and five teachers**, to attend the Innovation Technology Collaborative sponsored by Blast IU 17 on October 16, 2018, December 11, 2018, February 21, 2019, and May 8, 2019.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-no, Davenport-yes, Miller-no, Molino-no, Page-no, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

RETIREMENT RESIGNATION

A motion to accept the retirement resignation of Dennis Artley, from his position as Business Manager effective April 5, 2019, was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

2018-2019 SUBSTITUTE LIST

A motion to approve the addition of Gabriel Campana to the 2018-2019 substitute list was moved by Anthony, seconded by Page. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

A motion to approve the appointment of Scott Hill to Assistant Principal for the Jr/Sr High School and also Assistant Principal for the Rommelt Building effective October 1, 2018, was moved by Bachman, seconded by Anthony. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried

EMPLOYMENT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

A motion to approve the appointment of Robert Houseknecht as Athletic Director effective October 1, 2018, at a stipend of \$10,000 prorated from October thru June was moved by Bachman, seconded by Anthony. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried

COORDINATOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSITION SERVICES

A motion to create a stipend position for Coordinator of Special Education Transition Service of \$750 annually was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

A motion to approve the following Extra Duty Stipend positions was moved by Bachman, seconded by Persun.

1. Senior Class Advisors: Mary Geise/Karen Fink - \$315/person
2. Junior Class Advisors: Manny Tsikitis/Patty Schick - \$287.50/person
3. Sophomore Class Advisors: Keith Cremer/Scott Manning - \$210/person
4. Freshmen Class Advisors: Hilarie German/Kelly Shearer - \$200/person
5. Yearbook Advisors: Betsy Jones and Kelly Shearer - \$812.50/person
6. Yearbook Business Advisors: Betsy Jones and Kelly Shearer - \$220/person
7. Jr High Yearbook Advisors: Karen Fink and Mike Rodgers - \$440-/person
8. Drama Director: Mary Reinsburrow \$2700
9. Key Club Advisors: Scott Manning and Jamie Bloom - \$440/person
10. Builders Club Advisor: Karen Fink and Leigh Jones - \$220/person
11. FCCLA Advisor: Patty Schick - \$880
12. FBLA Advisors: Adam Rubert and Jennifer Kimball - \$440/person
13. Mini-Thon Advisor: Mike Rodgers/Mike Allison - \$440 /person
14. Academic Decathlon Advisor: Kevin Eck - \$1,050
15. Senior High National Honor Society Advisor: Celeste Ryan - \$880
16. Junior High National Honor Society Advisor: 7th Grade Team -\$440
17. Leo Club Advisor: Stephanie Fay - \$880
18. SADD Club Advisor: Mike Allison - \$880
19. Mentors: Lisa Laidacker - \$500 Emily Wagner - \$1,000
20. Department Chairpersons: English: John Hitesman - \$750, Mathematics: Jamie Bloom - \$750, Science: Matt Eisley - \$750, Social Studies: Richard Zalonis - \$750, Fine Arts: Sandy Hess - \$750
Elective Programs Jen Kimble -\$750 Elementary Math – Ann Neely - \$750
21. Behind the Wheel Driving: Richard Zalonis and Mike Allison \$25/hr
22. Coordinator Audio Visual: Keith Cremer - \$475

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

ATHLETIC COACHES

A motion to approve the following athletic coaches and their stipends for the 2018-2019 season was moved by Bachman, seconded by Davenport. Girls Basketball 8th Grade Coach Natasha Marnon - \$2,897.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

FALL MUSICAL

A motion to approve Leanne Hill as Choreographer for the 2018 fall show with a stipend of \$800 as moved by Bachman, seconded by Person. This stipend position is being moved from the spring show to the fall show. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

JOB DESCRIPTION APPROVAL

A motion to approve the job descriptions for the following positions was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman.

- High School Principal
- Assistant High School Principal
- Elementary Principal
- Assistant Elementary Principal – Rommelt
- Director of Innovative Learning & Information Systems
- Technology & Network Specialist
- Director of Special Education
- School Psychologist
- Director of Building and Grounds
- Athletic Director
- Event Security Staff

Mr. Miller made a motion to table the job description until the next meeting so that the Board could take more time to study them, seconded by Molino. All members present voting yes, the motion is tabled to the next meeting.

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

A motion to approve Jennifer Kimball's overnight request to take FBLA students to Harrisburg on November 4-5, 2018, to attend the State Leadership Workshop was moved by Miller seconded by Bachman.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE YEAR-END BUDGET TRANSFERS

Moved by Persun, seconded by Anthony to approve the final budget transfers for the 2017-2018 school term.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Person-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

COMMITTED FUND BALANCE TRANSFER

A motion to take \$400,000 of the 2017-2018 excess expenditures of \$800,000 from the committed fund balance of \$800,000 was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Davenport-yes, Miller-yes, Molino-yes, Page-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

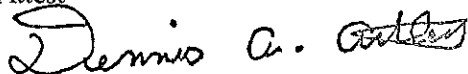
There were a large number of South Williamsport taxpayers at the meeting to voice their opposition to the reassessment of one hundred fifty properties that the Board approved back in May. The appeal process allows the district to go back three years comparing the sales price with the assessed value using a factor called the common level ratio and appeals the assessment if it appears an updated assessment will yield a higher property value and subsequently a higher tax bill.

Over the next hour, many taxpayers, real estate agents, and bankers, voiced their opposition to this process. These real estate agents stated the policy is already pushing potential homebuyers to look elsewhere. Dr. Stamm thanked the audience for all of the information and said he was sure the Board would like to discuss that information and the impact of that information.

The Board went into executive session after the meeting for a personnel matter.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Page that the meeting be adjourned, all members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Attest

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis A. Artley". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Attest".

Dennis A. Artley, Secretary