

BOARD MINUTES
November 10, 2011
7:30 P.M.
Avon Grove Intermediate School

• **CALL TO ORDER**

President Robert Weidenmuller called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

• **ROLL CALL**

Board members present at roll call included: John Bartley, Herman Engel, Brian Gaerity, Dennis Gerber, Debra L'Heureux, Pattie Lyons, William Pew, Robert Weidenmuller and Bonnie Wolff.

Dr. Massaro, Dr. Sharp, Mr. Ascitutto, and Dr. Foltz were present. In addition, approximately 10 members of the public were present.

– **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

– **COMMITTEES**

- Facilities – Dennis Gerber reported on Tuesday evening's meeting. The committee reviewed supplemental requests at that meeting.
- Curriculum – Debra L'Heureux reported that Tuesday's professional development activities were positively received by teachers and other staff members. Teachers were engaged in a number of workshops that were presented by other teachers where they learned and revisited research proven instructional practices that align with our district goals. Next week, our school librarians and instructional technology specialists will be meeting to review the i-Safe curriculum which features lessons and resources focused on internet safety and cyber bullying. The librarians will be mapping out an implementation plan for this curriculum which is being provided to our teachers and students by PDE for this school year at no charge. Once the implementation plan has been mapped out, the plan will be shared with CAC for review and feedback. The next CAC meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2011 from 3:45 – 5:15 at AGIS in room B 209.
- CCIU – Bonnie Wolff did not have an update.
- Personnel – Bonnie Wolff reported on this evening's committee meeting.
- Finance/Budget – Bill Pew reported on Tuesday evening's meeting.
- PA Legislative Committee and Policy Updates - Jack Bartley reported on a number of legislative updates.

– **AD HOC COMMITTEES**

- Strategic Facilities Committee – Bob Weidenmuller did not have a report.
- Community Outreach Committee – Brian Gaerity did not have a report.

• **STUDENT COMMENTS**

- Kellie Forbes updated the Board on some recent events and announced some upcoming events.

• **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Comments must be addressed to agenda items only. Comments by individual members of the public will be limited to two (2) minutes during each comment period in accordance with the Board’s rules. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer rather than to individuals.

There was no public comment.

BUSINESS OFFICE

Bill Pew made the **Motion**, seconded by Pattie Lyons, to approve the business office item listed below. A roll call vote was taken with all board members present voting affirmatively. Motion carried: 9 -0.

- I. **Motion** to approve an Agreement with **KSA Events, Inc.**, for the travel arrangements for the Avon Grove High School Girls Basketball team to Orlando Florida on December 14 – 18, 2011. The cost will be paid by the participants.
- II. **Motion** to authorize participation in Joint Purchasing and Cooperative Purchasing plans for the 2011-2012 school year, as listed:
 - Chester County School Districts’ Joint Purchasing Board
 - PEPPM Technology Bidding and Purchasing Program
 - Pennsylvania Department of General Services COSTARS Program
- III. **Motion** to approve the submission to the Pennsylvania Department of Education of the Certification of Intent to Provide Pupil Transportation Services for the 2011-2012 school year, including the approval of all routes and schedules, with the authorization for the Administration to make changes, as needed.
- IV. **Motion** to approve the purchase of two (2) Winston Industries Mobile Proofer Holding Cabinets Model #HL4522-AL at a total cost of \$10,237.20, per Pennsylvania State Contract #4400003714. Funded by the Food Service Program.
- V. **Motion** to approve the exoneration of uncollectible delinquent school real estate taxes from 2000 and 2001, now part of parcel #5905-007-0000, in the total amount of \$6,399.62, as recommended by the County of Chester Tax Claim Bureau.
- VI. **Motion** to approve annual lease agreements, from January 1 to December 31, 2012, for the rent of district owned property, for agricultural planting/crop purposes, as follows:

Gottlieb Strolmaier	Penn Township	41 acres	\$3,075.00/year
Lawrence Waltman	Penn Township	49.4 acres	\$3,710.25/year

Dave Hocking New London Township 44 acres \$3,300.00/year

VII. **Motion** to approve the following financial reports for the month of **October 2011**
Financial Reports:

General Fund	Food Service Fund
Capital Projects Fund	Student Activity Fund

VIII. **Motion** to approve Bills for payment: **October 20, 2011 to November 2, 2011**

General Fund	Wire Transfers	\$926,343.14	
	#66286 - #66434	<u>\$888,498.53</u>	\$1,814,841.67
Capital Projects Fund	#66436- #66438		\$51,514.28
Cafeteria Fund	#3633- #3677		\$99,864.11
Student Activity Fund	#0640- #0650		\$3,220.92
Total			<u>\$1,969,440.98</u>

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (Routine, Personnel, Staff and Students)

- Bonnie Wolff made the **Motion**, seconded by Brian Gaerity, to approve the consent agenda consisting of Routine, Personnel, Staff and Student. A roll call vote was taken with all board members present voting affirmatively. Motion carried: 9-0.

I. **Routine**

- A. Approve the School Board Minutes of October 27, 2011.

II. **Personnel**

A. **Resignations/Releases/Retirements/Leaves:**

Instructional

1. Retirement of **Antoinette Eickholt**, Teacher at Avon Grove Intermediate School, effective May 5, 2011.
2. Family and Medical Leave of Absence / Childrearing Leave of **Nicole Prinsloo**, beginning on February 6, 2012, and concluding on the last teacher work day of the 2011-2012 school year.

B. **Appointments**

Instructional

1. Change of status of **Amanda Boylan** from .5 Temporary Professional Employee to full time Temporary Professional Employee effective, November 15, 2011. Reason for change: Change of status of Mary Cunningham.
2. Change of status of **Mary Cunningham** from full-time Professional Employee to .5 Professional Employee effective November 15, 2011. Reason for change: Change of status of Amanda Boylan.

3. Appointment of **Rebecca Hartman** as a Long Term Substitute Employee at Avon Grove Intermediate School beginning on October 25, 2011, and concluding on January 31, 2012, Step 1, Bachelors (prorated). Ms. Hartman is a graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania (B.S. – Health and PE.) Reason for opening: Childrearing Leave of Stacy Jackson.

4. Appointment of **Nicole Nunn** as a Long Term Substitute Employee at Avon Grove Intermediate School beginning on August 23, 2011, and concluding on the last teacher work day of the 2011-2012 school year, Step 2, Bachelors. Ms. Nunn is a graduate of the University of Delaware (B.S. – Elementary and Special Education.) Reason for opening: Childrearing Leave of Nicole Tinney.

III. Staff and Students

- A. **Motion** to approve the second reading of School Board Policy #707AR - Facilities Use Permit.

- B. **Motion** to approve additional District Substitutes for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Last Name	First Name	
Behrenshausen	Brent	Instructional
Dundon	Roseann	Non-Instructional
Felicetti	Christine	Instructional
Pittman	Douglas	Instructional

- C. **Motion** to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2011 – 2012 school year upon the execution of a signed contract:

Fred S. Engle Middle School

Supplemental	Employee
Baseball, 8 th Grade	Jason McGehean

- D. Conference Request:
 - **Avon Grove High School Girls Lacrosse Team** to attend Disney’s Lacrosse Spring Training in Orlando, FL on March 31, 2012 to April 5, 2012. Funding Source: Avon Grove High School Sports Boosters.

- E. **Motion** to acknowledge the receipt of a donation, in the amount of \$5,000.00, from Scott G. Mayhart to the Avon Grove Sports Boosters Funds for Football Game Clocks.

- F. **Motion** to approve the Interpreter Services Contract between the Maternal and Child Health Consortium (MCHC), 30 W. Barnard Street, West Chester, PA, 19382 and the Avon Grove School District beginning November 1, 2011 and ending January 1, 2012 at a rate of \$40.00 per hour for each interpreter provided by MCHC.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

Bob Weidenmuller made the **Motion**, seconded by Bill Pew to cancel the November 22, 2011 regular board meeting. There was no public comment. Motion carried: 9-0.

Bob Weidenmuller recognized the following board members who will be leaving at the end of this term: John Bartley, Brian Gaerity, Debra L'Heureux, and Bill Pew. He thanked them for all of their valuable contributions.

The Board members discussed new supplemental proposals. In light of the current budget situation, they are not recommending approval of any of these positions.

Brian Gaerity made the **Motion**, seconded by John Bartley to authorize payment of November 2011 bills due to the fact that there will not be a November 22, 2011 meeting. There was no public comment.

- **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Massaro recognized the Avon Grove Support Professionals and congratulated them on job well done.

He then read a letter announcing that Avon Grove is one of 367 school districts in the United States and Canada that has been placed on the AP Achievement Honor Roll.

Dr. Massaro then presented various school board members with certificates from PSBA recognizing their service. He then thanked all of the school board members for their dedication to the district and their hard work on behalf of our students.

He then reviewed the school district's enrollment as of yesterday. He noted a decline of 91 students at Avon Grove Intermediate and 43 students at Avon Grove High School. Overall, we have 123 fewer students than we did in June of 2011.

- **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Comments may be made about any school district issue. Comments by individual members of the public will be limited to two (2) minutes during each comment period in accordance with the Board's rules. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer rather than to individuals. The presiding officer may interrupt or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is abusive, repetitive or disruptive.

There was no public comment.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

Bonnie Wolff made the **Motion**, seconded by Dennis Gerber, to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken, with all board members present voting affirmatively. Motion carried: 8 - 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Bonnie J. Wolff
Robert Weidenmuller Bonnie J. Wolff
President

Wendi Lee Foltz
Wendi Lee Foltz, Ed.D.
Secretary