

**BOARD MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2011
7:30 P.M.
Avon Grove Intermediate School**

• **CALL TO ORDER**

President Bonnie Wolff called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. She announced that the Board had met in Executive Session before this evening's meeting to discuss contractual matters.

• **ROLL CALL**

Members Present at Roll Call:

- Charles Beatty III
- Bruce Dobsch
- Herman Engel
- Dennis Gerber
- Pattie Lyons
- Donald Needham
- William Sites
- Robert Weidenmuller
- Bonnie Wolff

Dr. Massaro, Dr. Sharp, Mr. Ascitutto, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Connor, Dr. Foltz, and Mr. Lauver were present. In addition, approximately 20 members of the public were present.

– **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

– **COMMITTEES**

- Facilities – No report.
- Curriculum – Dr. Sharp updated the board on the December 1, 2011 Curriculum Advisory Council Meeting.
- CCIU – No report.
- Personnel – No report.
- Finance/Budget – No report.
- PA Legislative Committee and Policy Updates – No report.

President Wolff asked Dr. Massaro to discuss the recent violent incident in southern Chester County and how the District has been addressing those events. He and Principal Tom Alexander summarized the situation for the board members and answered questions from the board and the public. The Avon Grove School District is working with police to continue in our mutual efforts to create the safest educational environment for students, teachers, and staff.

– **PRESENTATIONS**

- Dr. Massaro/Mr. Ascitutto - 2012-2013 General Fund Budget

• **STUDENT COMMENTS**

Kellie Forbes and Tom Rudisell updated the board on some recent and upcoming events at Avon Grove High School.

• **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.

David Snyder Franklin Township

Response to incident, the budget, and the appointment of an attorney on this evening's agenda

Peggy Bell-Cole New London Township

Questions regarding the budget

Brian Gaerity Franklin Township

Comments regarding the budget

Kathleen Brow London Grove Township

Response to incident.

Liz Lang New London Township

Response to incident

Amy Needhare Did Not Indicate Township

Response to incident

BUSINESS OFFICE

Herman Engle made the **Motion**, seconded by Dennis Gerber, to approve the business office items listed below. A roll call vote was taken with all board members present voting affirmatively. Motion carried: 9 -0.

- I. **Motion** to acknowledge the receipt of a donation of a bass musical instrument from **Susan Vannelli** to Fred S. Engle Middle School.
- II. **Motion** to approve an Agreement for legal services with **Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams LLP**, for the 2012-2013 school year at the rate of \$140.00 per hour for routine Special Education matters.

- III. **Motion** to approve the submission of the Application for Water Quality Management Permit to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the improvements to the Penn London Elementary School Waste Water Treatment Plant.
- IV. **Motion** to approve the purchase of a True Food Service Vertical Air Curtain, Merchandise Model #TAC-48, at a cost of \$3,832.45, per Pennsylvania State Contract # 4400003722, from the Singer Equipment Company. Funded by the Food Service Program.
- V. **Motion** to acknowledge the receipt of the Avon Grove School District Audit Report as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, prepared by Barbacane, Thornton & Company LLP, certified public accountants.
- VI. **Motion** to acknowledge the receipt of the Avon Grove School District Performance Audit Report for the school years ended June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009, prepared by the Pennsylvania Department of the Auditor General.
- VII. **Motion** to approve the revised 2011-2012 IDEA, Regular Funds, Section 611 budget, in the amount of \$541,205.00.
- VIII. **Motion** to approve the 2011-2012 IDEA Section 619 Pass-Through Funds budget, in the amount of \$3,468.00.
- IX. **Motion** to approve the Notice and Acknowledgement of Assignment of the lease for modular classrooms at the Fred S. Engle Middle School, from **Mobile Modular Space, Inc** (assignor), to Reliant Asset Management, LLC (assignee).
- X. **Motion** to approve an Agreement for legal services with **Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees**, for the 2012-2013 school year with a blended rate of \$175/\$155 per hour.
- XI. **Motion** to approve Bills for payment: **November 3, 2011 to November 16, 2011**

General Fund	Wire Transfers	\$3,091,118.51	
	#66439 - #66597	<u>\$1,407,867.70</u>	\$4,498,986.21
Cafeteria Fund	#3678- #3681		\$6,357.42
Student Activity Fund	#0651- #0660		\$4,497.62
Total			<u>\$4,509,841.25</u>

Bills for payment: November 17, 2011 to December 1, 2011

General Fund	Wire Transfers	\$138,532.16	
	#66598 - #66717	<u>\$923,492.38</u>	\$1,062,024.54
Capital Projects Fund	#66718 - #66719		\$18,908.57
Cafeteria Fund	#3682- #3699		\$82,875.46
Student Activity Fund	#0661- #0671		\$5,991.89

Total

\$1,169,800.46

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (Routine, Personnel, Staff and Students)

- Robert Weidenmuller made the **Motion**, seconded by Bruce Dobsch to approve the consent agenda consisting of Routine, Personnel, Staff and Students. 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 November 10, 2011.

II. Personnel

A. Resignations/Releases/Retirements/Leaves:

Instructional

1. Change in return date from Childrearing Leave of **Chantel Peterson**, Teacher at Penn London Elementary School, from January 2, 2012 to the first teacher work day of the 2012-2013 school year.
2. Change in return date from Childrearing Leave of **Lori Travers**, Teacher at Avon Grove Intermediate School, from January 2, 2012 to April 10, 2012.

Non-Instructional

1. Retirement of **Jane Conner**, Secretary at Fred S. Engle Middle School, effective December 9, 2011.
2. Resignation of **Danielle Crawford**, Instructional Aide (Title I) at Penn London Elementary School, effective November 18, 2011.
3. Resignation of **Maria Bernal Flores**, as an Instructional Aide (Library) at Avon Grove Intermediate School effective November 3, 2011.
4. Resignation of **Melissa Schroder**, as an Instructional Aide (Library) at Avon Grove Intermediate School effective November 21, 2011.

B. Appointments

Instructional

1. Change in assignment end date of **Deanna Downey** as a full-time Long Term Substitute at Avon Grove Intermediate School from December 23, 2011 to March 30, 2012. Reason for opening: Extension of childrearing Leave of Lori Travers.
2. Appointment of **Kristin McKenney** as a Long Term Substitute at Fred S. Engle Middle School, start date to be determined and concluding on March

30, 2012, Step 1, Masters +15 (prorated). Ms. McKenney is a graduate of Salisbury State University (B.S. Elementary Education) and The College of New Jersey (M.S. Educational Technology). Reason for opening: Childrearing Leave of Andrea Sarkissian. This appointment is contingent upon successful completion and submission of the Act 151 clearance.

3. Change in assignment end date of **Kristie Rineer** as a full-time Long Term Substitute at Penn London Elementary School from December 23, 2011 to the last teacher workday of the 2011-2012 school year. Reason for opening: Extension of childrearing Leave of Chantel Peterson.

Non-Instructional

1. Appointment of **Alejandro Carrillo**, as an Instructional Aide (ELL) at Fred S. Engle Middle School (one-year position, 5.5 hours/day, 180 days/year) at \$12.10 per hour effective December 2, 2011. Reason for opening: One-year Title III grant-funded position.
2. Recall to employment of **Tara Delgado**, as an Instructional Aide (Library) at Avon Grove Intermediate School (5.5 hours/day, 180 days/year) effective December 6, 2011. Reason for opening: Resignation of Melissa Schroder.
3. Appointment of **Maria Lopez**, as an Instructional Aide (ELL) at Avon Grove Intermediate School (one-year position, 5.5 hours/day, 180 days/year) at \$12.10 per hour effective date to be determined. Reason for opening: One-year Title III grant-funded position.
4. Recall to employment of **Melissa Schroder**, as an Instructional Aide (Library) at Avon Grove Intermediate School (5.5 hours/day, 180 days/year) effective November 21, 2011. Reason for opening: Resignation of Maria Bernal Flores.

III. Staff and Students

- A. **Motion** to approve the first reading of School Board Policies:

Board Policy #	Description
216AR	Consent To Release and/or Obtain Information
237	Electronic Devices
241	Acceptable Use Policy For Digital Technology
702AR	Gifts, Grants, Donations
707AR	Facility Use Fees

- B. **Motion** to approve a tuition Agreement with the **Timothy School** to provide an educational program for one student for the 2011-2012 school year, at a cost of \$57,750.00.

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

Instructional

First	Last
Elayne	Algeo
Ashley	Beach
Margaret	Bell-Cole
Casey	Ryan
Patricia	Vernon

- D. **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
Wrestling	Dan Griest (70%)
Wrestling	John Inzaina (15%)

Avon Grove High School

Supplemental	Employee
Cheerleading, Winter	Jeremy Perlini
Cheerleading, Asst 1, Winter	Nicole Arkey
Swimming	Kelly Burk
Swimming, Asst 1	Chick McKnelly
Wrestling	Frank McCue
Wrestling, Asst 1	Paul Wolf
Basketball, Boys	Jesse Drelick
Basketball, Asst 1, Boys	Tom Biedekapp
Basketball, Girls	Colleen Carney
Basketball, Asst 1, Girls	Brittany Barnes
Track, Winter	Wayne Howard
Track, Asst 1, Winter	Carl Benson
Band, Marching Band Instructor	Gabriel Staznik (35%) (Previously approved for 65% = 100%)

- E. Conference Request:

- **Avon Grove High School Cheerleaders/Coaches** to attend the 2012 National High School Cheerleading Championship on February 10 - 13, 2012 in Orlando Florida. Funding Source: Avon Grove High School Sports Boosters
- **Avon Grove High School Band and Choir** - Music Performance at Dorney Park, Allentown, PA of May 18 – 20, 2012. Funding: cost of the trip to be paid by the music students.
- **Avon Grove High School Cheerleaders** to attend the National Qualifying Cheer Competition at Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA, scheduled on Sunday, December 11, 2011. Funding Source: Avon Grove High School Athletic Transportation/ Cheerleading Account.

F. **Motion** to approve District translators for the 2011-2012 school year at \$25.00 per hour as listed below:

First Name	Last Name
Alejandro	Carrillo
Maria	Lopez

• **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Massaro encouraged everyone to enjoy the various holiday events and concerts offered by our students.

• **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Peggy Bell-Cole New London Township

Response to incident

David Paul Snyder Franklin Township


District test results

Brian Gaerity Franklin Township


Response to incident

• **ADJOURNMENT**

Pattie Lyons made the **Motion**, seconded by Donald Needham, to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken, with all board members present voting affirmatively. Motion carried: 9 - 0. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.



Bonnie Wolff
President



Wendi Lee Foltz, Ed.D.
Secretary



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