

St. Marys Area School District
Board of School Directors
Regular Meeting
June 9, 2014, 7:00 P.M.
Library, St. Marys Area High School

Minutes

- I. The St. Marys Area Board of School Directors held their regular meeting June 9, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Library of the St. Marys Area High School. The meeting was called to order by board president Robert Luchini.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Directors Present: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg arrived 7:07 PM. Directors Absent: Bryan Chiappelli.

Others Present: Anna Kearney, Cynthia M. FinGado, Ginger Williams, Joseph Collins, Josh Williams, Joe Schlimm, Robert Grumley, Christine Kuhar, Noel Petrosky, Mark Romain, Dan Elder, a representative from *The Daily Press*, *Courier-Express*, *Bradford Era*, Atty. Richard Brown and fourteen (14) visitors.
- IV. Comments from visitors including comments on federal programs.

William Granche, former St. Marys Area High School teacher, addressed the Board in support of Dr. Joshua D. Williams as superintendent.
- V. Superintendent's Comments
- VI. Minutes from the workshop meeting on held on May 5, 2014, the regular meeting held on May 8, 2014, the special meeting held on May 16, 2014 and the special meeting held on May 29, 2014 were approved.

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Dr. Clythera Hornung – motion carried by a voice vote of all members present.
- VII. The treasurer's report for April 2014 and the cafeteria report for April 2014 were approved.

Motion by Patricia Rezmerski, seconded by Matthew Quesenberry – motion carried by a voice vote of all members present.
- VIII. Approved Payment of Bills

General Fund	June 2014 and office checks for May 2014
Payroll Fund	May 2014
Cafeteria Fund	April 2014

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Stacy McKee; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.
- IX. Board Procedures
 - A. Student Discipline

Approved expulsion of student No. 131414 and student No. 131415 for up to one school year. Students and parent(s) were fully informed as to their rights to legal counsel and a hearing relative to the pertinent allegations, and elected not to request or pursue either. Students'

return is contingent upon presentation and acceptance of satisfactory evidence that there will be no additional violation of school rules.

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Dr. Clythera Hornung; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

B. Appointment of Solicitor

The appointment of Richard R. Brown, Jr., as the solicitor for the St. Marys Area School District for the 2014-2015 school year was approved. (Attachment No. 1)

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Stacy McKee; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

X. Business Affairs

A. 2014-2015 School Budget

Approved the 2014-2015 general fund budget with expenditures in the amount of \$26,122,346.00. Tax levies are as follows:

1. 32.35 mills on real estate
2. 63.6 mills assessed value of oil, gas and minerals
3. 1,450 mills on occupational assessment
4. A \$10.00 local services tax shared with Fox, Jay and Benezette Townships
5. A \$5.00 local services tax from the City of St. Marys
6. A 1% earned income tax to be shared with all municipalities
7. A \$5.00 Section 679 per capita tax for residents of all municipalities
8. A \$5.00 Section 511 per capita tax for residents of all municipalities

Tax bills for real estate taxes will be printed by the County and sent out July 1, 2014, or as soon as possible. Tax bills for occupational assessment, Section 679 per capita and Act 511 per capita taxes will be printed by Charles Bloam, III, and sent out July 1, 2014, or as soon as possible.

Motion by Patricia Rezmerski, seconded by John Mulcahy; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

B. 2014-2015 Retirement Reserve Fund Budget

Approved the 2014-2015 Retirement Reserve Fund budget with expenditures in the amount of \$449,684.00. (Attachment No. 2)

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Matthew Quesenberry; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

C. 2014-2015 Technology Reserve Fund Budget

Approved the 2014-2015 Retirement Reserve Fund budget with expenditures in the amount of \$172,080.00. This budget includes revisions in Year 3 of the three year plan approved in June, 2012. (Attachment No. 3)

Motion by Dr. Clythera Hornung, seconded by Patricia Rezmerski; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

D. 2014-2015 Capital Reserve Fund Budget

Approved the 2014-2015 Capital Reserve Fund budget with expenditures in the amount of \$1,827,900.00 for major projects as shown in attachment. (Attachment No. 4)

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Stacy McKee; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

E. Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution

Approved the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution. (Attachment No. 5)

Motion by Patricia Rezmerski, seconded by John Mulcahy; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

F. Budgetary Transfers

The business manager was given approval to make budgetary transfers as needed pending final audit. These transfers will be presented to the board upon completion of the audit.

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Patricia Rezmerski; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

G. Health Insurance Reserve Fund Resolution

Approved the establishment of a reserve fund in the amount of \$50,000.00 to provide for future increases in health insurance contributions. (Attachment No. 6)

Motion by Dr. Clythera Hornung, seconded by Matthew Quesenberry; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

H. Commitment of Fund Balance

In accordance with Policy 620 of the St. Marys Area School District's Policy Manual, the district will strive to maintain an unassigned general fund balance of not less than 6% and not more than 8% of the budgeted expenditures for that fiscal year. Therefore any monies in excess of the 6% shall be committed in this order:

1. Replenish the Technology Reserve Fund in the amount of \$172,080.00
2. Increase the Health Insurance Reserve Fund to a balance of up to \$500,000.00
3. Any remaining monies to be deposited into the Technology Reserve Fund to prepare for future cost associated with the necessary increase in bandwidth capacity and upgrades

Motion by Patricia Rezmerski, seconded by John Mulcahy; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

I. Fire Alarm Replacement at High School

Approved the low bid from Hallstrom-Clark Electric, Inc., DuBois, PA, for replacement of the fire alarm system at the high school in the amount of \$115,500.00. (Attachment No. 7)

Motion by Stacy McKee, seconded by John Mulcahy; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

J. Contract for Hearing Support Services

Approved the Contract and Board Resolution for Hearing Support Services between Seneca Highlands Intermediate Unit Nine and St. Marys Area School District for the 2014-2015 school year. (Attachment No. 8)

Motion by Dr. Clythera Hornung, seconded by Patricia Rezmerski; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

XI. General School Affairs

A. Job Description

1. Approved elimination of the IST position as per Policy 310

Motion by Patricia Rezmerski, seconded by Matthew Quesenberry; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

2. Approved creation of a new position, Elementary Assistant Principal, as per Policy 301. This will be a Level 3 position as per Act 93. (Attachment No. 9)

Motion by Dr. Clythera Hornung, seconded by Matthew Quesenberry; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski. Voting no: Robert Sorg – motion carried.

XII. Student Activities

A. Field Trips

1. Approved the St. Marys Area band students' trip to Buffalo, New York, for Drum Corps Show at the University of Buffalo on August 3, 2014. Approximately forty-five (45) students will attend.

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Patricia Rezmerski; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

2. Approved one (1) student to participate in the PA DECA Summer State Officer Leadership Workshop on June 24-26, 2014 in State College, PA.

Motion by Patricia Rezmerski, seconded by John Mulcahy; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

B. Elementary Chorus Fest

Approval was given for St. Marys Area School District to host the 2015 IU9 Elementary Chorus Fest at the high school on April 9, 2015. (Attachment No. 10)

Motion by Dr. Clythera Hornung, seconded by Stacy McKee; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

XIII. Transportation

A. Bus Stops

Approved the following new bus stops:

Second Street and Pine Street, Benezette

120 East Race Street, St. Marys

Motion by Matthew Quesenberry, seconded by Patricia Rezmerski; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski, Robert Sorg – motion carried.

XIV. Personnel

Approved personnel actions as listed. All employment approvals are provisional for thirty days pending receipt of Act 151 clearance documentation.

A. Resignations, Professional Personnel

Name: Cassandra Mosier
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Position: Title I Reading Specialist
Effective: May 30, 2014 (Attachment No. 11)

B. Resignations, Support Personnel

Name: Dolores Auman
Address: Weedville, Pennsylvania
Position: Transportation Aide
Effective: May 30, 2014 (Attachment No. 12)

Name: Barb Foster
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Position: Student Activities Director Secretary
Effective: June 13, 2014 (Attachment No. 13)

Name: Rose McKay
Address: Kersey, Pennsylvania
Position: Cafeteria Monitor
Effective: May 12, 2014 (Attachment No. 14)

C. Leaves of Absence

Seven (7) leaves of absence were approved.

D. Transfers, Professional Personnel

Name: Paula Bauer
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Transfer from: Bennetts Valley Elementary School
Transfer to: St. Marys Area Middle School
Effective: August 22, 2014

Name: Stacey Kaveney
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Transfer from: Fox Township Elementary School
Transfer to: South St. Marys Street Elementary School
Effective: August 22, 2014

Name: Jodilyn Lindemuth
Address: Kersey, Pennsylvania
Transfer from: South St. Marys Street Elementary School
Transfer to: Bennetts Valley, Fox Township and St. Boniface Elementary School
Effective: August 22, 2014

Name: Andrew Yost
Address: Force, Pennsylvania
Transfer from: South St. Marys Street Elementary School

Transfer to: Bennetts Valley Elementary School
Effective: August 22, 2014

E. Hire, Professional Personnel

Name: Laura Carlson
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Position: Director of Support Services
Terms: \$38,375.00
Effective: June 10, 2014
Experience Present: Personnel/Transportation Secretary – St. Marys Area School District -
16 years
Building: District

F. Hire, 2013-2014 Extended School Year Staff

SPEECH TEACHER

Gina Pistner

PERSONAL CARE AIDE/TRANSPORTATION AIDE

JoAnn Piccirillo

G. Hire, Supplemental Contracts, 2014-2015 School Year

Name: Michele Burdick
Position: Asst. Volleyball Coach - JV
Terms: \$1,200.00 (Adjustment)

Name: Joseph Dagher
Position: Intramural Asst. Girls Basketball Coach – 6th grade
Terms: \$315.00 (Renew)

Name: Leona Hoohuli
Position: Head Girls Basketball Coach
Terms: \$4,498.00 (Renew)

Name: Daniel Hoohuli, Jr.
Position: 1st Asst. Girls Basketball Coach - Varsity
Terms: \$2,736.00 (Renew)

Name: Daniel Hoohuli, Jr.
Position: 2nd Asst. Girls Basketball Coach – 8th grade
Terms: \$2,188.00 (Renew)

Name: Thomas Lyons
Position: Asst. Girls Basketball Coach – 7th grade
Terms: Volunteer (Renew)

Name: Doug McAnany
Position: Asst. Girls Soccer Coach
Terms: Volunteer (New)

Name: Irene McCandless
Position: Head Gymnastics Coach
Terms: \$3,962.00 (Renew)

Name: Dean McClain
Position: 2nd Asst. Football Coach – Jr. High
Terms: \$2,144.00 (Renew)

Name: Mark Morelli
Position: 1st Asst. Football Coach
Terms: \$1,800.00 (New)

Name: Dwayne Schaberl, Jr.
Position: Asst. Football Coach – Jr. High
Terms: Volunteer (Renew)

Name: Steven Simchick
Position: 2nd Asst. Football Coach – Jr. High Head Coach
Terms: \$1,764.00 (Renew)

Name: Robert Swanson
Position: 2nd Asst. Girls Basketball Coach – 7th grade
Terms: \$1,764.00 (Renew)

H. Hire, Homebound Teachers, 2013-2014 – Contract Pay Rate

Name: David Fordoski
Address: Kersey, Pennsylvania
Effective: May 19, 2014
Certification: Elementary, ML Math, ML Science
Experience Present: Teacher, St. Marys Area School District

Name: Krista Klein
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Effective: May 19, 2014
Certification: Elementary, ML English, ML Math, ML Science, Spec. Ed.
Experience Present: Teacher, St. Marys Area School District

Name: Julie Newton
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Effective: May 22, 2014
Certification: Mathematics
Experience Present: Teacher, St. Marys Area School District

Name: Ellen Stolarski
Address: St. Marys, Pennsylvania
Effective: May 19, 2014
Certification: Elementary, Library
Experience Present: Teacher, St. Marys Area School District

Motion by Patricia Rezmerski, seconded by John Mulcahy; voting yes: Dr. Clythera Hornung, Charles Liptak, Robert Luchini, Stacy McKee, John Mulcahy, Matthew Quesenberry, Patricia Rezmerski. Voting No: Robert Sorg – motion carried.

I. Tenure (For Information Only)

Barbara Cousins	Meghan Glenn
Katherina Ramsay	Dana Smith
Johanna Sweger	

XV. Board Discussion

XVI. Executive Session

An executive session to discuss personnel, student discipline and pending litigation was held immediately following adjournment.

XVII. Adjournment

Motion by John Mulcahy, seconded by Stacy McKee – meeting adjourned 7:22 PM

Board President, Robert Luchini

Board Secretary, Ginger Williams