

**SOUTH LAKE SCHOOLS  
Board of Education Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
June 5, 2013**

The regular meeting of the South Lake Schools' Board of Education, held on June 5, 2013, in the South Lake Administration Building, located at 23101 Stadium Boulevard, St. Clair Shores, Michigan was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by our president, Allan Innes.

Members present: Allan Innes, Ellen Dunn, Christi Frazier, Paula Mack-Crouchman, Karla Anderson

Members absent: Charlotte Rebelein, Lois Cardenas

Administrators present: Pamela Balint, John Thero, Matthew Dishman, Ted Von Hiltmayer, Toni Kasander

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Innes.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Innes recommended Board of Education approval for the items listed on the Consent Agenda which include:

**Checks written for May 2013**

General Fund	\$282,424.55
Activity Fund	\$37,216.41
Cafeteria Fund	\$48,674.32
Latch Key Fund	\$141.87
PESG	\$36,306.46
American Express	\$26,112.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$430,875.74</b>

- Minutes from the Board of Education Special Meeting of May 15, 2013.
- Minutes from the Board of Education Closed Session of May 15, 2013.
- Minutes from the Board of Education Regular Meeting of May 15, 2013.
- Minutes from the Board of Education Study Session of May 22, 2013.
- Attorney invoices totaling \$656.00.

Moved by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Ms. Frazier to approve above Consent Agenda.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried: 5/0

**STUDENT REPORT**

Errol French was introduced to the Board as our new South Lake High School Representative. Errol gave an update on the following:

- Prom was held this evening in Grosse Pointe.
- Next Tuesday is Graduation and Senior All-Night Party.
- The Physics classes will be going to Cedar Point this week.
- NHS induction, Honors Night and Honors Breakfast were all held last week.
- The band had a blood drive and we had a good turnout.
- Student Congress is working on Homecoming and Snowball ideas for next year.

**ATHLETIC REPORT**

Mr. Larsen started by thanking the Board for all their support. We had a total of 171 students participating in six spring sports this year. A total of 111 or about 65% of the athletes were on the honor roll. Thirty-two athletes earned all A's. Four J.V. athletes earned all A's; 28 varsity athletes earned all A's. 89 out of 140 varsity athletes or about 64% earned Scholar-Athlete status; 22 out of 31 J.V. athletes or about 71% earned Scholar-Athlete status.

Mr. Larsen report on the following:

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>COACH</b>	<b>MVP/MIP</b>
Baseball	Jose Jimenez Record 8-2 Overall 9-9	MVP: Tyler Baatz MIP: Brent Jones All League: Tyler Baatz, Adam Wieske, Austin Hart. 1 <sup>st</sup> Team All District: Adam Wieske, Austin Hart, Danny Goodwin, Daron Donohue, Tyler Baatz All Academic: Tyler Baatz, Adam Wieske
Golf	Paul Cusumano Record 8-2	MVP: Jacob Troyer MIP: Jacob Cook Gold Division Co-Champs City Meet Champs 1 <sup>st</sup> Team All-League: Bryan Cloud and Jacob Troyer
Girls' Soccer	Marty Shearer Record 12-0 Overall 14-1 JV Record 4-3	MVP: Rachel Schnell MIP: Taylor Pawlusiak Silver Division Champs Silver Division MVP – Rachel Schnell 1 <sup>st</sup> Team All-League – Rachel Schnell, Jessica McClinton, Lauren Giurlanda, Hannah Apostolou, Taylor Pawlusiak
Softball	Dave Ahearn Record 12-0 Overall 17-1 Coach of the Year	MVP: Sarah Nelson MIP: Toni Ruthenberg Silver Division Champs Silver League MVP – Sarah Nelson 1 <sup>st</sup> Team All-League: Krista Nannini, Toni Ruthenberg, Devin Wehrwein, Nyshah Brown All League Honorable Mention – Jessica Duncan
Girls' Tennis	Dennis Purgatori Record 1-4-1 Overall 1-6-1	MVP: Elisha Rashid MIP: Samantha Rutkowski 1 <sup>st</sup> Team All-League – Emily Maynard
Boys' Track	Chris Rinehart Record 4-1	MVP: Chris Jackson MIP: Errol French Silver Division Co-Champs
Girls' Track	Brian Croci Record 2-2	MVP: Taylor Pitts MIP: Lauren Dandurand 3 <sup>rd</sup> Division Silver

Ghay'len Hammons, Will Vann, Anthony Terry, Martell Pettaway, Errol French, Liam Steen, Raylan Hill, Caldin Rogers, Chris Jackson, Sammy Atkins, Max Tarpey, Taylor Pitts, Kamarie Jones, NaKyra Jordan, Arrielle Howard and A'Shionna Herndon were all State Qualifiers for Track.

Mr. Larsen congratulated Denise Scheffler for winning the MIAAA Recognition as Athletic Secretary Award. He again thanked the Board, community and parents for all their sacrifices during the sports season.

Mr. Dishman then mentioned that John Burke will be inducted into the Michigan Hall of Fame for his participation on the sports programs.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no public comments on agenda items.

**CLOSED SESSION**

A motion was made by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Mrs. Dunn to enter into closed session at 6:16 p.m. for the purpose of a long-term suspension hearing.

A Roll Call vote was taken.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

Pamela Balint provided a synopsis of the events and provided the Board with her reasoning for the long-term suspension of student #2012SL05.

Ms. Wells and Mr. Larsen were present and provided the Board details of the incident leading to the recommendation of this long-term suspension.

Student #2012SL05 and his mother were present. The mother voiced her concerns regarding the suspension.

Discussion followed with the Board of Education members.

A motion was made at 6:58 p.m. by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Mrs. Dunn to return to open session.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

The Board of Education returned to Open Session at 6:59 p.m.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Mrs. Balint recommended Board of Education approval to Adopt the Resolution to suspend student #2012SL05 from South Lake Schools for a period of 180 days. The Board of Education has received information regarding the misconduct of one of the district’s students. The recommendation of the parties involved is a 180 day long-term suspension. Therefore, I recommend that the Board of Education Adopt the Resolution to suspend #2012SL05 for 180 days.

Moved by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Mrs. Anderson to Adopt the Resolution to suspend student #2012SL05 for 180 days.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

Mrs. Balint recommended Board of Education approval to Adopt the Resolution to participate in the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the 2013-2014 school year. The Michigan High School Athletic Association is a voluntary, nonprofit corporation comprised of public, private and parochial junior high/middle and senior high schools whose Board of Education and Governing Bodies have voluntarily applied for and received membership for and on behalf of their secondary schools. It is a condition for participating in any MHSAA post season tournaments that high schools adhere to at least the minimum standards of Regulation I and the maximum limitations of Regulation II in all MHSAA Tournament sports.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman to Adopt the Resolution to participate in the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the 2013-2014 school year.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

The next item on the agenda was an Approval to Amend South Lake Schools Policy #6220. A motion was made by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Ms. Frazier to table the Approval to Amend South Lake Schools Policy #6220 at this time.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

**PERSONNEL REPORT**

Mr. Von Hiltmayer recommended Board of Education approval to Adopt the Resolution to Elect to Comply with Section 4 of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act (PA 152 of 2011). The board declares that for medical benefit plan coverage year beginning July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, the District shall pay not more than 80% of the total annual costs of all of the medical benefit plans the District offers or contributes to for District employees and elected public officials, as described in Section 4 of the Act.

Moved by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman to Adopt the Resolution to Elect to Comply with Section 4 of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act (PA 152 of 2011).

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

Mrs. Balint then read a short letter to congratulate and thank Ms. Kasander for her many years of service to South Lake Schools. She was presented a certificate and flowers.

**CURRICULUM REPORT**

Mr. Thero recommended revised Board of Education Approval of Mechatronics Resources.

At our last meeting, the Board of Education approved \$27,630 for Mechatronics resources. One piece of equipment was incorrectly priced and the \$27,630 did not include shipping and installation. Mr. Thero apologized for the confusion.

Therefore, I recommend Board of Education approval to purchase the software and hardware from AMATROL in the amount of \$30,630.00

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Dunn to approve above Mechatronics Resources in the amount of \$30,630.00

Ayes: 4      Nays: 1      Motion Carried:      4/1  
Ms. Frazier

Mr. Thero recommended Board of Education Approval to Set Meeting for the Annual Report. To comply with the Annual Education Report (AER), the District must present its Annual Report in a public meeting. I recommend that this activity take place at the regular September 2013 Board of Education meeting.

Moved by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Mrs. Dunn to Approve to Set Meeting for the Annual Report to take place at the regular September 2013 Board of Education meeting.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

We have a total of 87 kindergarten students registered at this time.

We have a total of 18 students enrolled in our preschool program.

At this time we have seven applications turned in for our Great Start Readiness Preschool program for 2013-2014.

**BUSINESS REPORT**

Mr. Dishman recommended Board of Education approval to Adopt the Resolution to Levy Operating and Debt Millage, 2008 Bond Fund.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman to Adopt the Resolution to Levy Operating and Debt Millage.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

Mr. Dishman recommended Board of Education approval to Award the Asbestos Abatement Project for the Elmwood gym floor to Trust Contracting for \$9,800.00. This amount will be paid out of the 2008 Bond Fund.

Moved by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Mrs. Anderson to approve the Award of the asbestos abatement project to Trust Contracting for the amount of \$9,800.00.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:      5/0

## **FINANCE AND OPERATIONS REPORT**

### **Operations:**

Mr. Dishman noted that his department is preparing for many summer projects. Some of the projects they will be working on include:

- Installation of additional computer labs in each building.
- New lighting projects in every building.
- Flooring project which includes tile and carpet in all buildings.

Mr. Dishman thanked the voters for passing the 2008 bond.

The track will be closed on Saturdays starting June 22. Staff will not be available on Saturdays during the summer. We will remain open Monday through Friday. The track will reopen on Saturdays the last week of August.

### **Finance:**

An additional General Fund Budget Amendment will be needed. We will have to record both revenues and expenses for the Section 147c MPSERS rate buy-down that is coming "off the top" of the School Aid Fund. Section 147c is money that the State is giving us to buy down the retirement rate. The money has not been on our State Aid report so it was not on our May budget amendment. We also do not expect to receive it. The thought is it will go directly to the Office of Retirement Services.

While the supplemental appropriation of 2012-2013 has not yet been passed by the legislature, MDE expects it to be and we will need to adjust the 2012-2013 budget for our share of the \$160 million appropriation. We want to make sure our 2012-2013 budget reflects this development and includes a similar budgeted item for 2013-2014; otherwise, we could risk an audit finding for overspending. The MDE committee will be meeting on June 4. Mrs. Anderson asked if we had to show as income this year and show as a loss next year. Mr. Dishman stated no.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Kasander thanked everyone for their thoughtfulness. She will miss all of us.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Karla Anderson**

- The band banquet was great. The seniors were nicely recognized.
- The band held their annual bottle drive this past weekend.
- The Honors breakfast was great.
- South Lake is doing fabulous things with fabulous kids!
- The IAM graduation took place this past week. We had three students graduate.
- It was great to see so many students receiving awards at the High School Honors Night.
- Attended the Call to Courage Breakfast sponsored by the Optimist of St. Clair Shores.
- Attended the St. Clair Shores Adult Education graduation. Their success stories are very inspiring.
- Good luck to Ms. Kasander as you move forward to the next phase in life. Your worry lines will be gone.
- Have a very safe, happy and restful summer.

### **Paula Mack-Crouchman**

- Congratulations to all the athletes. It is very time consuming when you are playing sports and going to school.
- The Middle School will be hosting their Honors night tomorrow evening.
- June 7 the Middle School will be going to Metro.
- June 10 the Middle School will hold its Green Team All School Assembly.

- June 13 the eighth grade students will be having a celebration at Middle School.
- Middle School students attended Field Day to help the elementary students.
- Middle School students held their annual Regatta at the high school.
- Looking forward to Graduation on June 11.

**Christi Frazier**

- Congratulations to our graduating class.
- Congratulations to all the scholar athletes.
- Toni – thank you for doing what you do.

**Ellen Dunn**

- Attended the Avalon Appreciation Breakfast which was wonderful. She promised to wear her flower pin that was made by the students.
- The Memorial Day parade was great. We had a great showing from the Middle and High School bands, a high school float and the SCS Youth Council.
- Attended the Avalon and Elmwood PYP Exhibition Nights.
- The St. Clair Shores summer reading program did their kick-off yesterday.
- Congratulations to Lieutenant James Raab who graduated from West Point.
- Toni- my beginning of knowing you started when my son was in kindergarten. You and Mr. Sprys came to his IEP and he was put into the school full-day. Half-day resource room and half-day kindergarten. We will all miss you.

**Pamela Balint**

- Congratulations to all the athletes. Behind a great team are great leaders.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Scheffler on receiving her award. She is indispensable.
- Farewell to our seniors.
- I wish the teachers a happy and relaxing summer.
- Read a letter from the Community Service Agency thanking us for having the Head Start program in our school.

**Ted Von Hiltmayer**

- Thanked Toni for all her dedication. I will miss her laugh. It was contagious.
- Have a safe and restful summer.

**John Thero**

- South Lake is opening a GRSP program at Koepsell Education Center. Contact the curriculum office for more information.
- South Lake High School will be enrolling students into the new Mechatronics program.
- I will miss Toni as well.

**Matthew Dishman**

- The Parkinson’s “I gave my Soul” was great. Thanks to all the students and staff at our elementary schools who supported us. Mr. Dishman thanked the following for all their help:
  - Thanks to the Board members for allowing us to use our athletic field.
  - Thanks to Karla for helping with the food distribution.
  - Thanks to Renee, Trish and Tina our bus drivers.
  - Thanks to Ron Frederick and Mayor Kip Walby for attending and for their help.
  - Thanks to Pamela Balint.
  - Thanks to Kirsten and Taylor for helping with face painting.
- Thanks to Toni. I will personally miss you. You have truly been an advocate to our kids.

**Veda Hall**

- Will miss Toni and particularly her greetings each morning.

**Allan Innes**

- Toni we will all miss you.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Scheffler on receiving her award.
- It was great to see all the students honored at the High School.
- It is amazing that 67% of our students at the high school are scholar athletes.
- Happy Summer – be safe.

Mr. Innes gave the following quote for this evening:

*"Teaching is the choicest of professions because everybody who is anybody was taught how to be somebody by a teacher." Author unknown.*

Mrs. Mack-Crouchman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0      Motion Carried:                      5/0

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Christi Frazier, Secretary

Prepared by Veda Hall