

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS OF THE
WALLINGFORD-SWARTHMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Monday, August 20, 2018
Strath Haven Middle School Library**

The Board of School Directors of the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District met in the library of the Strath Haven Middle School on the 20th day of August 2018, in accordance with public notice. The following Directors and Officers were present:

President	Dr. Marilyn Huff
Vice President	Dr. Robert Reiger
Treasurer	Dr. David Grande
Assistant Secretary	Ms. Wendy Voet
	Ms. Chapin Cimino
	Dr. Michele Downie
	Mr. Damon Orsetti
	Dr. Richard Sonntag – <i>via telephone</i>
	Mrs. Kelly Wachtman
Superintendent	Dr. Lisa A. Palmer
Secretary	Mrs. Darlene Klingerman
Solicitor	Mr. Kyle Berman

Dr. Huff called the Regular Business Meeting of the Wallingford-Swarthmore School Directors to order at 7:09 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance.

FOCUS TOPIC

- Guest Speakers – Policy 150
Dr. Lisa Palmer, Superintendent of Schools

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Huff announced that Board of School Directors met in Executive Session prior to this meeting this evening to discuss litigation and personnel matters. Dr. Huff also announced that Dr. Sonntag is travelling and will participate in the meeting this evening by telephone.

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO ITEMS FOR ACTION ON THE AGENDA

The following Swarthmore-Rutledge School parents addressed the Board of School Directors regarding class size and/or math curriculum:

- Kate Tejada, 305 Governors Drive, Wallingford, PA
- Rebecca Preiser, 400 Vassar Avenue, Swarthmore, PA
- Mary Ann Gazelle, 620 Yale Avenue, Swarthmore, PA

MINUTES

Dr. Reiger moved, seconded by Dr. Downie, that the Board of School Directors approve the minutes of the July 23, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

PERSONNEL

Dr. Reiger moved, seconded by Mrs. Wachtman, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Personnel items:

The Board of School Directors approved the following leave of absence, extensions of medical sabbatical and resignations:

Certified Staff

Lauren DeSanctis, Guidance Counselor, Nether Providence Elementary School, paid FMLA leave (use of sick and emergency days), on or about September 18, 2018 through November 2, 2018; unpaid FMLA leave, November 3, 2018 through December 10, 2018; unpaid leave, December 11, 2018 through February 1, 2019

Theodora Psitos, Math Teacher, Strath Haven High School, extension of medical sabbatical, through the end of the first semester, 2018-2019 school year

Staci Gawne, Spanish Teacher, Strath Haven High School, extension of medical sabbatical, through the end of the first semester, 2018-2019 school year

Non-Certified Staff

John Kauffman, Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation Department, resignation, effective August 6, 2018

Angela Litwin, Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation Department, resignation, effective August 6, 2018

Frances Shehadi, Instructional Support, Strath Haven High School, resignation effective August 11, 2018

Jean Hopkins, Instructional Support, Wallingford Elementary School, paid FMLA leave (use of sick and emergency days), August 29, 2018 through September 18, 2018; unpaid FMLA leave, September 19, 2018 through September 30, 2018; unpaid leave, October 1, 2018 through on or about January 2, 2019

The Board of School Directors approved the following appointments:

Certified Staff

Christopher Heiskell, Chemistry Teacher, Strath Haven High School, effective August 21, 2018, replacing Dina Dormer, \$49,382, Bachelor's Degree, Step 1, Temporary Professional Employee Contract, WSEA

Nicholas Pignataro, Music Teacher, .8 Strath Haven High School and .2 Strath Haven Middle School, effective August 21, 2018, replacing Patrick Murray, \$57,101, Master's Degree, Step 5.0, Professional Employee Contract, WSEA

Karen McGuinness, German Teacher, Strath Haven High School, effective August 21, 2018, replacing Rebecca Jones, \$57,101, Master's Degree, Step 5.0, Professional Employee Contract, WSEA

Deeanna King, Speech and Language Therapist, Wallingford Elementary School, effective August 21, 2018, Contracted Services, \$57,355, Master's +30, Step 4.0, Temporary Professional Employee Contract, WSEA

Leslie Labess, Language Arts Teacher, Strath Haven Middle School, effective August 21, 2018 through the end of the 2018-2019 school year, replacing Ken Hufnal, \$54,043, Master's Degree, Step 3.0, Long-Term Substitute, WSEA

Eryka Weaver, Guidance Counselor, Nether Providence Elementary School, effective September 12, 2018 through February 4, 2019, replacing Lauren DeSanctis, \$51,382 (prorated), Master’s Degree, Step 1.0, Long-Term Substitute, WSEA

Non-Certified Staff

Kelly Kaiser, Accounting Supervisor, Business Office, effective September 17, 2018, replacing Mary Martin, \$77,488 (prorated), Exempt Supervisors – 12 month

The Board of School Directors approved the changes/deletion to the 2018 Summer School Program appointment list, as stipulated. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the game worker rates for the 2018-2019 school year, as stipulated. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the 2018-2019 appointment and stipend for AJ Cetroni, as School Board Meeting Videographer, as stipulated. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the 2018-2019 Fall Athletic and Curriculum Supplemental appointment lists, as stipulated. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the per diem rate for additional days, during the 2018 summer, for Strath Haven High School Guidance Counselors who performed scheduling support functions in absence of an assistant principal, as stipulated. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the change of salary status for the following teachers, effective September 1, 2018:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Maria Thomas	Bachelor’s, Step 13.0	\$68,480	Master’s, Step 13.0	\$73,038
Christina Geraghty	Bachelor’s Step 4.0	\$53,355	Master’s, Step 4.0	\$55,355

The Board of School Directors approve the change of assignments, effective August 27, 2018:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Kaitlyn Gniewosz	Substitute Bus Aide	Regular Bus Aide, replacing Gail Gillespie

Erica Laster	Guidance Counselor, SHMS	Guidance Counselor, SHHS
Morgan Segal	Guidance Counselor, SHHS	Guidance Counselor, SHMS
Jennifer Conahan	5 th Grade Teacher, SRS	1 st Grade Teacher, WES, new position
Emily Sparks	4 th Grade Teacher, SRS	5 th Grade Teacher, SRS, replacing Jennifer Conahan
Shelby Harper	3 rd Grade Teacher, SRS	4 th Grade Teacher, SRS, replacing Emily Sparks
Linda Gillespie	Kindergarten Teacher, .5 NPE/.5 WES	Kindergarten Teacher, SRS, replacing Catherine Latella
Rebecca DiLenno	Instructional Support, NPE	Long Term Substitute Kindergarten Teacher, .5 NPE/.5 WES, for 2018-2019, Bachelor's Degree, Step 1.5, \$49,792, replacing Linda Gillespie
Kathryn Moran	Instructional Support, SRS	Instructional Support, SHHS, replacing contracted services
Steven Grohman	.8 Instructional Support, SHHS, .2 Health & PE Teacher, SRS	.2 Health & PE Teacher, SRS

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

WSSD BOARD POLICY

Ms. Cimino moved, seconded by Mr. Orsetti, that the Board of School Directors approve the following first reading of the following policies, as presented: (Copies to be inserted into official minutes)

First Reading

- 246 School Wellness
- 150 Guest Speakers (NEW)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

CURRICULUM

Dr. Reiger moved, seconded by Mrs. Wachtman, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Curriculum items:

Tuition Contracts for the 2018-2019 School Year and Related Services Provider Contracts for the Extended School Year Summer 2018 and 2018-2019 School Year. (Copies to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the Educational Services Agreements for student #2823080 and student #2323013. (Copies to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved a revision to the 2018-2019 school year calendar, as stipulated. The change reflected in this version is June 20, 2019 – Last Work Day for Teachers. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the District/Superintendent Goals for 2018-2019. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

FINANCE

Dr. Reiger moved, seconded by Mr. Orsetti, that the Board of School Directors approve the following, as stipulated: (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

- Payment of Invoices to Vendors 07/18/2018 THRU 08/14/2018

The Board of School Directors approved the following, as stipulated:

- Treasurer's Report JULY 2018

The Board of School Directors acknowledged receipt of the following, as stipulated: (Copies to be inserted into official minutes)

- General [Fund 10] JULY 2018
✓ Balance Sheet, Revenue, & Expenditure Reports
- Capital Reserve [Fund 32] JULY 2018
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- Student Activities [Fund 81] JULY 2018

The Board of School Directors approved the Agreement with Children and Adult Disability and Educational Services (C.A.D.E.S.), to provide specialized transportation services for the 2018-2019 school year, as stipulated. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the Chester County Intermediate Unit's Proposal for Technology Audit at a cost not to exceed \$7,200. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

Mrs. Wachtman moved, seconded by Ms. Voet, that the Board of School Directors approve the proposal for architectural and engineering services with Godshall Kane O'Rourke Architects, LLC at a rate not to exceed \$5,500 for a district-wide study for security entrance concepts and building compartmentalization. (Copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, nay; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO ANY OTHER TOPICS

Ms. Kristen Ryan of 635 Chester Road, Swarthmore, commented on class size.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Reiger inquired about the status of a Middle School athletic trainer assigned for this school year. Ms. Kew replied that the Business Office received one proposal for \$24,700. The District nurses will act in this function at athletic events.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Cimino said that her family is hosting an international exchanges student from Italy for part of the 2018-2019 school year and she is seeking another host family for the balance of the school year.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Klingerman
Board Secretary