

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
WALLINGFORD-SWARTHMORE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Monday, January 4, 2016
Middle School Library 7:00 p.m.

AT THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
THE BOARD CONDUCTED THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Dr. Richard C. Sonntag, President
Dr. Marylin Huff, Vice President
Ms. Sally Morbeck, Treasurer
Ms. Wendy Voet, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Jerry Ballas
Ms. Chapin Cimino
Dr. Allison Karpyn
Dr. Robert C. Reiger
Mr. Paul Schregel

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Student Representative, Charlotte Brake, provided the School Board with a complete report on news and activities across the District schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Board Policy Update

Significant progress has been made over the past few months in revising and updating a number of Board Policies, as evidenced in this week's Board Meeting Agenda that includes a number of policies being brought forward for a third and final reading resulting in formal adoption. There is still work to be done on a few outstanding policies including Student Discipline/Code of Conduct, and the hope is to be able to move those remaining policies forward within the next two months.

B. Winter Athletics/Wrestling

Since the start of the winter sports season, I had the opportunity to see our girls swimming team and our girls' basketball team in action, and over the past two weeks saw our wrestling team on the mats against Interboro along with a few individual matches at the recent Delco Duels. As a former wrestler and coach, I was invited by our wrestling team to attend and participate in some upcoming practices, but Mr. Abbott and Dr. Palmer have reminded me that I am not covered under the District's medical benefit plan, *and thus far*, have had to defer.

C. *District Strings Concert*

As the Acting Superintendent of Schools, I am very much looking forward to attending the district-wide Strings Concert scheduled for this Wednesday evening, January 6th, at 7:00PM in the high school auditorium. The highlights since joining the District in August have been many, with the music program providing a number of memorable moments.

D. *State Budget*

As was referenced several times later in the evening, as of January 4, 2016, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania along with Illinois were the only two states in the nation still without a state budget in place for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. The resulting uncertainty adds even further complexity as school districts across the state, including Wallingford Swarthmore, attempt to generate a budget for next year still uncertain of state revenues for not only the current year, but for next year as well. More information to certainly follow.

FOCUS TOPIC - 2016-2017 Proposed Preliminary School District Budget

School Business Administrator, Dr. Lisa Palmer, presented the 2016-2017 Proposed Preliminary General Fund Budget to the School Board. The Board intends to adopt the Proposed Preliminary Budget at the January 19, 2016 School Board Meeting.

MINUTES

The Board of School Directors approved the minutes of the December 14, 2015 Regular Business Meeting of the Board of School Directors.

PERSONNEL

The Board approved the appointment of Deborah Sherman, Administrative Assistant to the Athletic and Nurse's Office, Strath Haven High School, effective January 5, 2016, partially replacing Mary Anne Schmucker.

The Board approved the change of assignment, as listed, effective on January 5, 2016:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Doris Ford	Administrative Assistant II, SHHS, 217 days/year	Administrative Assistant II, SHHS, 261 days/year, partially replacing Mary Anne Schmucker

The Board approved the Instructional Support change of hours, effective January 4, 2016, as stipulated.

The Board approved the 2015-2016 addition/deletion to the Curriculum Supplemental and Activities Supplemental appointment lists, as stipulated.

WSSD BOARD POLICY

Upon recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board approved the third and final reading of the following policies, as presented:

Third Reading

- 307 Student Teachers/Interns
- 609 Investment of District Funds
- 706.2 Disposal of Surplus Property and Equipment
- 801 Open Records
- 806 Child Abuse
- 810 Transportation
- 810.1 Drug/Alcohol Testing – Covered Drivers
- 811 Bonding
- 812 Property Insurance
- 813 Other Insurance
- 814 Copyright Material
- 818 Contracted Services
- 822 Automated External Defibrillator (AED)/
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
- 828 Fraud
- 830 Breach of Computerized Personal Information
- 901 Public Relations Objectives
- 902 Publications Program
- 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings
- 904 Public Attendance at School Events
- 905 Citizen Advisory Committees
- 906 Public Complaints
- 908 Relations with Parents/Guardians
- 909 Municipal Government Relations
- 912 Relations with Educational Institutions
- 913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals
- 913.1 Corporate Sponsorships, Partnerships, and Advertising
- 914 Relations with Intermediate Unit
- 915 Relations with Parent Organizations
- 916 Volunteers
- 917 Parent/Family Involvement
- 918 Title I Parental Involvement

Upon recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board approved the third and final reading of the repeal of Policy 810.2, Transportation Personnel – Conviction of a Crime

CURRICULUM

The Board of School Directors approved the proposed Strath Haven High School course offerings for 2016-2017 school year, as stipulated.

FINANCE

The Board approved the establishment of a new student activity account entitled "Sustainability".

The Board approved the submission of the 2015-2016 school year delinquent per capita taxes to Berkheimer Tax Administrator, Incorporated, for tax collection.

The Board approved the new Internal Revenue Service mileage rate of 54 cents per mile, for all miles driven on School District business, beginning January 1, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Sonntag adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

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