

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

**Monday, June 13, 2016
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 13th day of June, 2016, in accordance with public notice.

The following Directors and Officers were present:

President	Dr. Richard C. Sonntag (<i>via phone</i>)
Vice President	Dr. Marilyn Huff
Treasurer	Ms. Sally Morbeck
Assistant Secretary	Ms. Wendy Voet
	Mr. Jerry Ballas
	Ms. Chapin Cimino
	Dr. Allison Karpyn
	Dr. Robert Reiger
	Mr. Paul Schregel
Acting Superintendent	Dr. Michael Pladus
Secretary	Mrs. Darlene Klingerman

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Huff at 7:09 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence in remembrance of those killed in Orlando, Florida.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Huff announced that the Board of School Directors met in Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. this evening to discuss Personnel matters.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Acting Superintendent Dr. Michael Pladus welcomed our special guests, and presented his report to the Board of School Directors.

FOCUS TOPICS

- Recognition of School District Retirees - The following retirees were in attendance this evening and were accompanied by Mr. Ferg Abbott, Director of Human Resources, who honored each with a plaque and a brief speech.
 - Holly Speckhals/Operations
 - Irene Buecheler/SRS
 - Mary Kraus/SHMS
 - Ellen Valentine/NPE
 - Cathy Stambaugh/SHHS
 - Susan Lancellotti/NPE
 - Betsy Clark/Operations
- 2016-2017 Final General Fund Budget Presentation – Dr. Lisa Palmer

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO TOPICS FOR ACTION ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the audience concerning topics on the Agenda.

MINUTES

Ms. Morbeck moved, seconded by Mr. Schregel, that the Board of School Directors approve the Minutes of the May 23, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors.

The motion carried with the vote of Mr. Ballas, aye; Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Dr. Karpyn, aye; Ms. Morbeck, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Mr. Schregel, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye.

PERSONNEL

Mr. Ballas moved, seconded by Ms. Voet, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Personnel items:

The Board of School Directors approved the following retirement, resignation and leaves of absence:

- Certified Staff, Ellen Valentine, Teacher, Nether Providence Elementary School, retirement, effective at the end of the day, June 22, 2016
- Gabriela Grosser, School Psychologist, Wallingford Elementary School, resignation, effective at the end of the day, June 22, 2016
- Jocelyn Patten-McMahon, Teacher, Strath Haven Middle School, paid FMLA leave (use of sick days), on May 20, 2016 through the end of the 2015-2016 school year

- Kelly Hines B. Yiadom, Teacher, Nether Providence Elementary School, unpaid leave for the 2016-2017 school year.

The Board of School Directors approved the 2016 spring athletic supplemental post season pay, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approve the deletion and additions to the 2016 summer school program appointments, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approve the 2016 summer curriculum work, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the per diem rate for additional days, during the 2016 summer, for school psychologists, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the following independent contractor, as school medical examiner, effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017:

<u>Physician</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Dr. John Brodsky	K, 6, 11*	\$15.00 per examination

*In addition, all students who are new to Pennsylvania, regardless of their grade, may receive examinations.

The Board of School Directors approved the following independent contractors, as dental examiners, effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017:

<u>Physician</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Dr. Russell Young	K, 3, 7*	\$10.00 per examination
Dr. Thomas Chermol, Jr.	K, 3, 7*	\$10.00 per examination

*In addition, all students who are new to Pennsylvania, regardless of their grade, may receive examinations.

The Board of School Directors approved the independent contractor to serve as Communications Specialist, for the 2016-2017 school year, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the 2016-2017 appointment and stipend for Christopher Matsanka, as District Testing Coordinator, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the compensation for the student activity sponsors, for the 2015-2016 school year, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the per diem rate for additional days, during the 2016 summer, for the school social worker, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the Title I summer literacy work, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved payment, not to exceed 60 hours at \$30.00 per hour, for development of summer, 2016 Individual Education Plans (IEPs) by WSSD certificated staff.

The Board of School Directors approved the compensation of the hourly wage difference, from the current rate to the starting maintenance rate, for painting duties conducted by custodians for the 2016-2017 school year, effective July 1, 2016.

The motion carried with the vote of Mr. Ballas, aye; Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Dr. Karpyn, aye; Ms. Morbeck, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Mr. Schregel, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye.

WSSD BOARD POLICY

Dr. Karpyn moved, seconded by Mr. Schregel, that the Board of School Directors approve the third and final reading of the following policies, as presented: (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

Third and Final Reading

- 626 Federal Fiscal Compliance
- 626.1 Travel Reimbursement
- 626 Attachment Allowability of Costs
- 626 Attachment Cash Management
- 626 Attachment Types of Costs, Obligations & Property Management
- 626 Attachment Procurement
- 626 Attachment Subrecipient Monitoring Procedures
- 808 Food Service Program
- 827 Conflict of Interest

The motion carried with the vote of Mr. Ballas, aye; Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Dr. Karpyn, aye; Ms. Morbeck, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Mr. Schregel, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye.

CURRICULUM

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

The Board of School Directors approved the following students for homebound instruction:

Student #1955032	Strath Haven High School
Student #1899001	Strath Haven High School

The Board of School Directors approved the Related Services Provider Contracts for the 2015-2016 School Year and for the Summer 2016 Extended School Year. The Board of School Directors approved the Tuition Contracts for Summer 2016 Extended School Year and the 2016-2017 School Year. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approve the Educational Services Agreement for student #2823080. (copies to be kept in the Business Office)

The Board of School Directors approved the request from Swarthmore Rotary to permit Foreign Exchange student Gautier Joste from Paris, France, to attend Strath Haven High School, on a tuition-free basis, for the 2016-2017 school year. The student will resident with Kim Shimer and Robert MacPherson, 310 Crestview Circle, Media, PA 19063.

The motion carried with the vote of Mr. Ballas, aye; Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Dr. Karpyn, aye; Ms. Morbeck, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Mr. Schregel, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye.

FINANCE

Ms. Morbeck moved, seconded by Mr. Ballas, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Finance item:

2016 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District, that Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Real Estate Tax Assessment reductions are authorized for the school year beginning July 1, 2016, under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act (part of Act 50 of 1998) and the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1 of 2006), as follows:

Aggregate amount available for Homestead and Farmstead Real Estate Tax Reduction beginning July 1, 2016: The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District, during the 2016- 2017 school year pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.505(b), as a property tax reduction allocation funded

by gambling tax funds, the amount of \$ 1,838,190.22 Additionally, the School District retained an additional \$ 9.60 which remained after distributing such funds in the 2015-2016 school year, bringing the total available for property tax reductions to \$1,838,199.82.

Homestead/Farmstead Numbers: Pursuant to Act 50, 54 Pa. C.S. § 8584(i), and Act 1, 53 P.S. §6926.341(g)(3), the County provided the School District with a certified report listing approved homesteads and approved farmsteads.

Homestead Property Number: The number of approved homesteads within the School District is 5,047.

Farmstead Property Number: The number of approved farmsteads within the School District is 0.

Homestead/Farmstead Combined Number: The aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads is 5,047.

Real estate tax reduction: The Wallingford-Swarthmore School District Board of School Directors has determined that the homestead/farmstead exclusion amount shall be \$364.23.

Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion Authorization – July 1 Tax Bills. The tax notice issued to the Owner of each approved homestead/farmstead within the School District shall reflect a homestead/farmstead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction of the established assessed value of the homestead/farmstead, which is equal to \$ 8,475.

The motion carried with the vote of Mr. Ballas, aye; Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Dr. Karpyn, aye; Ms. Morbeck, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Mr. Schregel, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye.

Ms. Voet moved, seconded by Ms. Cimino, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Finance item:

2016-2017 School District Final Budget

The Board of School Directors adopted the 2016-2017 Final General Fund Operating Budget in the amount of \$76,439,336, funded by the following taxes: (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

Nether Providence/Rose Valley	42.9772 Mills
Swarthmore/Rutledge	43.4032 Mills
.5% Real Estate Transfer Tax	
\$10 Per Capita Tax	

The motion carried with the vote of Mr. Ballas, aye; Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Dr. Karpyn, aye; Ms. Morbeck, aye; Dr. Reiger, abstained; Mr. Schregel, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye.

Ms. Cimino moved, seconded by Dr. Karpyn, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Finance items:

The Board of School Directors approved the nomination of Allison Karpyn to serve as the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District member of the Delaware County Intermediate Unit Board of Directors, commencing July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the following quoted insurance proposals from Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services Inc. for the 2016-2017 school year:

Commercial Package, including TRIA and Federal Flood Coverage	\$ 136,292.00
Automobile Coverage	\$ 74,492.00
School Board Legal Liability Coverage	\$ 51,223.00
Umbrella & Excess Liability Coverage	\$ 50,174.00
International Travel Coverage	\$ 3,515.00
Student/Sports Accident Coverage	\$ 17,488.00
Workers' Compensation Coverage	\$ 270,410.00
Security & Privacy Insurance	\$ 10,290.00

The Board of School Directors approved the following banks as depositories of school funds during the 2016-2017 fiscal year:

- PNC
- Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund
- Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust
- The Bryn Mawr Trust Company

The Board of School Directors accepted the proposal of Rothman Institute Sports Medicine Program to provide the Athletic Training Services and Concussion Program Management for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019, as stipulated. (copies to be inserted into Official Minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Mr. Ballas, aye; Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Dr. Karpyn, aye; Ms. Morbeck, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Mr. Schregel, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye.

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO TOPICS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the audience regarding topics not on the Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Huff motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Klingerman
Secretary