SOUTH MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT 4 Academy Street, Boiling Springs, PA 17007

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES December 20, 2021

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on December 20, 2021. The South Middleton Board of School Directors met in the District Office Board Room. Mr. Group called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary called the roll with all members present except as designated:

School Directors

Mr. Eric Berry
Mr. Brad Group
Mr. William Hartman
Mrs. Robin Scherer
Mrs. Bethanne Sellers

Mrs. Shannon Snyder Mr. Rodney Wagner

Administrative Staff

Mr. James Estep, Superintendent Mr. David Boley, Principal- W.G. Rice Elementary Mr. Brian Ronan, Director of Technology

Student Representatives

Ajla Salkic- Absent Jacob Sokolofsky

Visitors

See Attached

Board Secretary

Cristeen Beck

Solicitor

Gareth Pahowka

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Snyder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sellers, to approve the agenda of December 20, 2021- Special Voting Meeting, with all corrections as indicated.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY) -

Tanya Morret- 22 Enck Drive Boiling Springs

Commented on article about Americans caring for each other and relation to school board appointments.

PUBLIC INTERVIEWS FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR VACANCIES

Mr. Group outlined the interview and voting process. All candidates will be allowed to give a two-minute intro and then will be asked the same four questions by the board.

Mr. Group noted that he had Mr. Hart's daughter as a student several years ago but has not had any email, phone, or in-person communication since board vacancy was posted. Mrs. Snyder noted she has not met any of these individuals.

Mrs. Sellers noted Mr. Hart's previous application from the Board vacancy. She also has interacted with Mr. Nedimyer and Mr. Draper in the past and has held no communication with any candidate since vacancy posting.

Mr. Berry commented he has no relationship with any of the candidates and no communication.

Mrs. Scherer commented she has no relationship with any of the candidates and no communication.

Mr. Hartman noted Mr. Hart's previous application from the past board vacancy and previous volunteer work together.

Mr. Wagner commented he has no relationship with any of the candidates and no communication.

Mr. Hartman inquired about interview materials after meeting.

Mrs. Beck confirmed she would collect all documents.

The following applicants were interviewed for the School Director Vacancies:

Christopher Hart

Anthony Lucido

Jack Adams

Terry Draper
Stephen Nedimyer
Mr. Group thanked the candidates.

Itemized Agenda:

School Director Appointments

School Director Appointment

That the Board approves _____ to fill the vacant school director office, previously held by Elizabeth Meikrantz, through the reorganization meeting in December 2023.

Mrs. Sellers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Snyder to appoint Mr. Draper for School Director.

Mrs. Sellers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hartman to appoint Mr. Hart for School Director.

Mr. Wagner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berry to appoint Mr. Lucido for School Director.

Mr. Berry made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scherer to appoint Mr. Adams for School Director.

Mrs. Sellers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wagner to appoint Mr. Nedimyer for School Director.

Mr. Wagner made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sellers to close nominations.

Mrs. Sellers commented on Mr. Draper's previous board experience.

Mrs. Snyder inquired about disqualifications with DOD employment.

Mr. Pahowka clarified that it does not apply to appointed but does to elected candidates.

Mrs. Snyder inquired about term length.

Mr. Group clarified term length through December 2023 and eligibility.

Mrs. Sellers commented on board longevity/average of one term.

Mr. Estep commented on experience with board turnover.

Mrs. Sellers commented on Mr. Hart's comment about district growth.

Mr. Hartman noted candidate experience in each of their career fields.

Mr. Wagner thanked candidates and potential to serve on board in future at next election.

Mrs. Sellers commented on board teamwork and making best decisions for everyone.

Mr. Wagner thanked Mr. Group and decision to hold public interviews.

Mr. Estep commented on candidates and their willingness to serve.

Mr. Berry commented on strengths of each of the candidates.

Mr. Terry Draper

On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

Mr. Group-Yes

Mr. Wagner-No

Mr. Hartman-Yes

Mr. Berry-No

Mrs. Scherer-No

Mrs. Sellers-Yes

Mrs. Snyder-Yes

Yes -4, No -3, Abstentions-0, Absent -0

Mr. Draper was appointed to the Board.

School Director Appointment

That the Board approves _____ to fill the vacant school director office, previously held by Elizabeth Knouse, through the reorganization meeting in December 2023.

Mr. Hartman made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sellers to appoint Mr. Hart for School Director.

Mrs. Scherer made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Snyder to appoint Mr. Lucido for School Director.

Mrs. Sellers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wagner to appoint Mr. Nedimyer for School Director.

Mr. Wagner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Berry to appoint Mr. Adams for School Director.

Mrs. Snyder made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sellers to close nominations.

Mr. Berry highlighted Mr. Lucido's legal background.

Mr. Chris Hart

On a roll call vote, the motion was defeated as follows:

Mr. Group-Yes

Mr. Wagner- No

Mr. Hartman-Yes

Mr. Berry-No

Mrs. Scherer-No

Mrs. Sellers-Yes

Mrs. Snyder-No

Yes -3, No -4, Abstentions-0, Absent -0

Mr. Anthony Lucido

On a roll call vote, the motion passed as follows:

Mr. Group-No

Mr. Wagner-Yes

Mr. Hartman-No

Mr. Berry-Yes

Mrs. Scherer-Yes

Mrs. Sellers-No

Mrs. Snyder-Yes

Yes -4, No -3, Abstentions-0, Absent -0

Mr. Lucido was appointed to the Board.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION- None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Draper made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sellers, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cristeen Beck

Board Secretary

Sophia Bounds
Mackenzie Morret
Tanya Morret
Randy Evans
Stacey Knavel
Letty McDonough
Carol Yannity

Julie White

Kimberly Ronan

Public Attendance