

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

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 1, 2022**

The South Middleton Board of School Directors met on August 1, 2022. The South Middleton Board of School Directors met in the District Office Board Room. Mr. Group called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

School Directors

Mr. Eric Berry

Mr. Terry Draper

Mr. Brad Group

Mr. Tony Lucido- Absent

Mrs. Robin Scherer

Mrs. Bethanne Sellers

Mrs. Shannon Snyder

Mr. Rodney Wagner

Administrative Staff

Mr. James Estep, Superintendent

Dr. Kevin O'Donnell, Assistant to the Superintendent

Mrs. Tina Darchicourt, Director of Business & Operations

Mr. Brian Ronan, Director of Technology

Student Representatives

Jacob Sokolofsky- Absent

Olivia Morgan- Absent

Visitors

See Attached

Board Secretary

Cristeen Beck

Solicitor

Gareth Pahowka

Mr. Group announced that five candidates applied and that one had withdrawn leaving four to interview.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Sellers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Snyder, to approve the agenda of August 1, 2022- Special Voting Meeting, with all corrections as indicated.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY) –

Emailed comment received from Julie White in support for one of the candidates.

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 five questions by the board.

Mr. Group requested that board members explain any relationship with list of candidates.

Mr. Group commented that he was employed with Mr. MacIvor in the past, with limited interaction.

Mrs. Snyder noted no previous relationships.

Mrs. Sellers commented on past employment with Mr. MacIvor and attends same church as Ms. Cherchuck.

Mr. Berry noted no previous relationships.

Mr. Draper commented on previous board service with Mr. MacIvor's wife.

Mr. Wagner noted no previous relationships.

Mrs. Scherer noted no previous relationships.

The following applicants were interviewed for the School Director Vacancies:

Mike MacIvor

Brandon Hall

Patricia Cherchuck

Jack Adams – prior to completing his interview, Mr. Adams withdrew his application for school director.

Itemized Agenda:

School Director Appointment

That the Board appoints _____ to fill the vacant school director office, previously held by William Hartman, through the reorganization meeting in December 2023.

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

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

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Scherer commented on Mr. Hall's experience and younger children in district.

Mrs. Sellers commented on knowledge of school board time commitment.

Mr. Draper noted his comment on preparing students for graduation.

Mr. Berry commented on Mr. Hall's consideration for running for election next year.

Mr. Group that next election cycle has five seats in 2023.

Mrs. Sellers commented on his knowledge of board's role of governance, policy, and budget responsibilities. Mrs. Sellers also commented on Mr. MacIvor's nomination and experience and perspective.

Mr. Draper commented on Mr. MacIvor's experience.

Mr. Wagner thanked candidates.

Mr. Berry made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scherer to appoint Brandon Hall as school director.

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

Mr. Berry-Yes Mrs. Scherer-Yes

Mr. Draper- No Mrs. Sellers- Yes

Mr. Group-Yes Mrs. Snyder- Yes

Mr. Lucido-Absent Mr. Wagner-Yes

Yes -6, No -1, Abstentions-0, Absent -1

Brandon Hall was appointed to the Board.

Oath of Office

Mr. Hall took the Oath of Office.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION- None

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Sellers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cristeen Beck". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a solid horizontal line.

Cristeen Beck
Board Secretary

Public Attendance

Denise MacIvor

Kim Ronan

Julie White

Letty McDonough

Dean Clepper

Gene Yanity