

SOLANCO SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of School Directors
February 5, 2018

The Board of School Directors of Solanco School District met at 7:30 pm on Monday, February 5, 2018 in the boardroom of the Central Administration Office, located at 121 South Hess Street, Quarryville, Pennsylvania, as advertised.

Mr. Paul Plechner, Board Vice President, called the meeting to order and presided. Monica Miller was present to record the minutes.

The following Board members responded to roll call: Mr. Chip Roten, Mr. Brian Musser, Mr. Craig Chubb, Mr. Bender and Mr. Plechner

The following Board members were absent: Mr. Justin Kreider, Mr. Kurt Kreider, Mr. Risk and Mr. Ressler.

The following administrators were present: Dr. Brian Bliss, Dr. Timothy Shrom, Dr. Robert Dangler, Mrs. Bandy, Mrs. Gajecki, Mrs. Haines, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. Gladfelter, Mr. Dolan, Mr. Beard, Mrs. Lininger, Mr. Esche, Mr. Kaufman, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Kirchoff, Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Overley and Ms. Minchhoff

Mr. Risk led the group in pledging allegiance to the flag. A moment of silence was observed.

*At 7:37 p.m., Mr. Ressler arrived and took his seat on the Board.

Students of the Month – The Board recognized the District Students of the Month.

Behavior Support Proposal – Dr. Bliss gave a presentation to the Board on the needs of students in the District and proposed the hiring of Behavior Support personnel.

2018-2019 Budget Presentation – Dr. Shrom presented the preliminary budget 2018-2019. Mr. Chubb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Roten to approve the resolution below and notices. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Resolution Approving Preliminary Budget:

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of Solanco School District, as follows:

- 1. The Proposed Preliminary Budget of the School District for the 2018-2019 fiscal year on form PDE 2028 as presented to the School Board is adopted as a Preliminary Budget Proposal for the School District General Fund. The Administration and School Board will continue review of budget components, and the Preliminary Budget may be revised prior to the adoption of a Final Budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.*
- 2. The Act 1 index applicable to the School District as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education is 3%. The Preliminary Budget Proposal assumes that the School District will receive approval for use of one or more Act 1 real estate tax referendum exceptions. The School District shall take all steps required to obtain approval for the referendum exceptions contemplated in the Preliminary Budget*

Proposal, including advertising once in a newspaper of general circulation and placing on the School District internet website Act 1 Referendum Exception Notice in substantially the form as presented to the School Board.

3. The School District shall continue to make the Preliminary Budget Proposal available for public inspection, and shall make the Proposed Final Budget in its then current form available for public inspection at least 20 days before the date scheduled for adoption of the Final Budget.

4. At least 10 days before the date scheduled for adoption of the Final Budget, the Secretary shall advertise Final Budget Notice in substantially the form as presented to the School Board. The notice shall be advertised once in a newspaper of general circulation and shall be posted conspicuously at the School District offices.

5. School District officials shall take all action necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

Act 1 Referendum Exception Notice

Pursuant to Act 1, the Pennsylvania Department of Education publishes an index % applicable to the School District. The school district real estate tax increase for the next fiscal year is limited to the index % unless the proposed tax rate is approved by the voters pursuant to a referendum or the School District qualifies for an Act 1 exception. As a result of special circumstances covered by an Act 1 referendum exception, a tax rate % increase above the index might be required to balance the School District budget for the next fiscal year. The tax to be levied is required to provide a quality education program as reflected in the School District Preliminary Budget.

The School District intends to seek approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education as required by Act 1 for an exception allowing increase of the real estate tax as reflected in the School District Preliminary Budget. The Preliminary Budget is available for public inspection at the School District offices, 121 South Hess Street, Quarryville, Pennsylvania. On written request by an School District resident or taxpayer, the School District will provide a copy of the referendum exception application.

Final Budget Notice

NOTICE is given that the Proposed Final Budget for the General Fund of Solanco School District for the 2018-2019 fiscal year in its most recent form is available for public inspection at the school district offices, 121 South Hess Street, Quarryville, Pennsylvania, and will be presented for adoption as a Final Budget at a school board meeting to be held in the Board Room of the Central Administration Office, 121 South Hess Street, Quarryville, Pennsylvania at 7:0 p.m. on June 4, 2018. The budget may be amended before or after final adoption.

Capital Reserve Items – The following items were discussed and action was taken:

IU WAN Proposal – Mr. Ressler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bender to approve the proposal to move from 1G Network to 10G Network. All voted yes and the motion carried. A Copy of the proposal can be found in the Supplement Book 0205-1645.

Track Resurfacing – Mr. Roten made a motion, seconded by Mr. Chubb to approve the Stephen Parks & Associates Proposal letter for track resurfacing. All voted yes and the motion carried. The letter can be found in the Supplement Book 0205-1646.

High School Stage Curtains – Mr. Ressler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Chubb to approve the change order to Clair Brothers contract for high school stage curtains. All voted yes and the motion carried. The change order can be found in the Supplement Book 0205-1647.

Change Order Review – The monthly review of change orders was presented, as well as building committee information. A copy of the update and building committee information can be found in the Supplement Book 0205-1648.

Providence Voice Over IP – Information was presented to the board regarding upcoming change over at Providence Elementary School. Action scheduled to be taken at the February 26, 2018 meeting.

High School Internships/Work/Study - Mr. Roten made a motion to approve the list of high school students on internships/work/study. Mr. Musser seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the list of students can be found in the Supplement Book 0205-1649.

Personnel – Mr. Chubb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Musser to approve the following personnel. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Resignations

Erica Ware, School Counselor, Bart-Colerain and Providence Elementary Schools
With the District Since August 2017
Reason: Accepted position elsewhere
Effective: Up to 60 days from February 1, 2018

Tim Wilgus, Lunch Monitor, Providence Elementary School
With the District Since August 2016
Reason: Personal
Effective: February 16, 2018

LeAnn Rybak, Classroom Aide, Solanco High School
With the District Since April 2015
Reason: Accepted position elsewhere
Effective: February 9, 2018

Sara Herr, Special Education Classroom Aide, Providence Elementary School
With the District Since August 2016
Reason: Personal
Effective: February 9, 2018 (To remain on the support staff substitute list)

Elaine Tirado, Classroom Aide, Providence Elementary School
With the District Since August 2014

Reason: Personal
Effective: February 5, 2018

Employment

Delsa Wrigley, Long Term Substitute, Grade 5, Bart-Colerain Elementary School
Replaces: Gwen Sullivan (medical leave of absence)
Effective: January 25, 2018

Danielle Evans, Special Education Classroom Aide, Bart-Colerain Elementary School
Replaces: Cassey Summers
Effective: February 12, 2018

Brenda Martin, Cafeteria Personnel, GA Smith Middle School
Replaces: Cherry Heidinger
Effective: Upon completion of clearances & training

Emily Laws, Special Education Classroom Aide, Swift Middle School
Replaces: Regina Dengler
Effective: Upon completion of clearances & training

Additions to Substitute List

Debra Zimmerman, Classroom Aide

Excuse Absent Board Members – Mr. Musser made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ressler to excuse the absence of Mr. Justin Kreider, Mr. Kurt Kreider and Mr. Risk. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Dates to Remember:

February 19, 2018 - Schools Closed (President's Day)
February 26, 2018 - General Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
March 5, 2018 - Agenda Meeting, 7:30 PM
March 9, 2018 - Schools IN SESSION (Weather Make Up Day)
March 12, 2018 - Legislative Breakfast, 7:30 AM, IU-13
March 19 2018- General Business Meeting, 7:30 PM

Move to Executive Session- At 9:36 p.m., Mr. Musser made a motion to move to executive session to discuss personnel, seconded by Mr. Roten to discuss personnel. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Move out of Executive Session – At 10:07 p.m., Mr. Chubb made a motion to move out of executive session and adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Musser. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica M. Miller
Board Secretary