

School Board Notes – October 2003

The Seneca Valley School Board approved the following during the action agenda portion of the Oct. 6 work session and the Oct. 13 regular school board meeting:

PERSONNEL

Approved the following conferences:

Mary Jane Schneider – Dyslexia & Taking A Closer Look Conference
Karen Barbati – PA State Assoc. of Health, Physical Ed., Recreation and Dance
Julie Blackburn – Jump-Start Beginning Reading with Dr. Jean
Rebecca Finch – PA Alliance for Environmental Education
Marlesse Hames – Making Your Biology Instruction the Best It Can Be
Amy McKinley – Asperger Syndrome
Megan Mihalcin – PA School Press Assoc.
Lauri Pendred – PAESSP
Harold Repasky – National Science Foundation and Math Workshop
Josi Smith – American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages
Patricia Vagias – PA State Assoc. of Health, Physical Ed., Recreation and Dance
Heather Winters – PA State Assoc. of Health, Physical Ed., Recreation and Dance

Approved the following resignations:

Beth Cassandro – School Nurse
B.J. McKean-Sepich – SHS Ski Club

Approved the following appointments:

Julia Greenawalt – School Nurse
Nicole Sperry – English – Secondary
Daily Substitutes
Luke Sample – Vol. Asst. 7th & 8th grade football
Nancy Zinkham – Vol. Asst. Girls' Basketball Varsity and JV
Rae Anne Bosnyak – Grade Level Coordinator – Kindergarten
Patricia Cekella – SAT Prep – Math

Transfer:

Anita Duffy – School Nurse (Rowan to SVIHS)

Classified:

Tammy Rose – Parapfl.
Tari Deiss – Café.
Jean Raraigh – Special Ed. Parapfl. Helper
Sandra Jason – Parapfl.
Brandy Yobp – Secretary
Susan Bonadio – Secretary

Transfer:

Jerry Chuhra – Grounds Maintenance
Karen Greenawalt – Secretary (LYFS to SHS)

Substitutes:

Kimberley Logan – Café
Kathy Carlson – Café

JoAnn Clarkson – Café.
Vicki Eppinger – Café
Janice Hogan – Parapfl.
Debra Deemer – Custodian
Jean Raraigh – Special Ed. Parapfl. Helper
Tammy Rose – Parapfl.
Thomas Visconti – Custodian
Jessica Bieber – Café.

Approved the following leaves:

Kathryn Kummer – Elementary
Susan Oliver – Secondary
Julie Mann – Elementary
Maureen Hickel – Elementary
Amy Lehman – Secondary
Sherri McKenna – Secondary
Carol Garbett – Elementary
Michael Lutz – Secondary
Sandra Bilbao – Secondary
Danette Yurich – Secondary
Hilda Falen – Custodian

Informed of the following Intents to Retire (conclusion of 2003-04 school year):

Susan Casker
Robert Harsh
Marilyn Matchett
Dr. Robert Thomas
Sandra O'Shea

Informed that Marcy Sauers will have an internship with Darla Ramirez-Hoss,
SHS guidance counselor.

RECOGNITION

Recognized the marching band and cheerleaders for being commended by a North Hills resident (via e-mail) for performance/conduct at football game;
Recognized the Senior High School Academic Challenge Team for winning the first round of the KDKA Hometown High Q competition (airing date is Dec. 6);
Recognized positive e-mail from parent regarding Classroll.com;
Recognized The Seneca Valley Academic Games Team for having five students qualify for nationals April 23-27, 2004, in Orlando, Fla.: James Buechele, Jim Petras, Cheri Radke, Elaina Somers and Matt VanArsdale;
Recognized the 2003 graduates who were named scholars in the Advanced Placement Program.

ACTION

Approved clarification of the following drug testing addendum: Beginning Nov. 1, 2003, and continuing through the remainder of the 2003-04 school year, students from grades 9-12 who participate in extra-curricular activities will be included in the random drug testing pool. These students will not need to receive an initial drug test during this current school year to participate in the activity. During the 2003-04 school year, students from grades 7 and 8 who participate in

any extra curricular activities will not be included in the random drug testing pool. All students from grades 7-12 who participate in extra curricular activities will be required to receive an initial test and will be included in the random drug testing pool beginning in the **2004-05** school year (similar to athletics and student drivers).

Approved the following board policies:

Field Trips (121) – Revised – 2nd Reading

Relations with Special Interest Groups (913) – Revised – 2nd Reading

Public Participation in Board Meetings (903), Meetings (006), and

Procedures for 006 and 903 – Revision – 2nd Reading

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act – New – 2nd Reading

Drug and Alcohol Awareness for Athletic Programs, Students Drivers and Activities – Revised – 2nd Reading

Procedures for Distribution of Materials to Students – New – 1st Reading

Migrant Students – New – 1st Reading

Approved band boosters request to attend competitive band festival in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on May 7-8, 2004;

Authorized addendum to Act 93 Plan

Authorized administration to submit Learn and Serve America grant application 9-12;

Approved AP History supplemental materials.

FISCAL/BUSINESS ACTION

Approved the payment of the general fund bills at \$2,195,251.26;

Approved the activities fund bills at \$64,644.20;

Approved the construction fund bills at \$267,909.62;

Approved adding Hill Street in Evans City to the permanent district bus schedule;

Approved budget transfers;

Awarded bid for SVTV studio playback system at \$14,020.

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