

Seneca Valley School District



SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium
(Community Relations Committee will meet as necessary at 7:30 p.m. preceding the regularly advertised monthly Board meetings in the Intermediate High School auditorium.)

MINUTES

November 1, 2004

1. **CALL TO ORDER** -Mr. Berkebile, Board President, called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m.
 - A. **Moment of Silence** - The meeting was opened with a moment of silence.
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Mr. Berkebile led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
 - C. **Roll Call** - Roll call by Joan Rinaman, Board Secretary, showed the following Board members present: Mr. Dean Berkebile, Mr. Anthony Evans, Mr. Robert Hill, Jr., Mr. William Paul (entered at 8:10 p.m.), Mrs. Ann Reale, Mr. Anthony Storti, Mr. Jeffrey Widdowson.

Others present included Dr. Donald Tylinski, Superintendent; Dr. Denise Chappell, Assistant Superintendent Secondary; Dr. Mary Ann Marchi, Assistant Superintendent Elementary; Mr. Lynn Stewart, Administrative Assistant for Financial Affairs; Mr. Jerome Straughter, Human Resources Director; Mr. Ronald Lamneck, Supervisor Buildings, Grounds, and Security; Mr. Matthew Hoffman, Solicitor; visitors on list, and press representatives.

2. ACTION AGENDA

- A. **Public Comment** - There were no public comments.
- B. **Buildings and Grounds**
 1. ***Hold Harmless Agreement*** - Approve Hold Harmless Agreement with A. G. Cullen Construction, Inc.
 2. ***Settlement Agreement*** - Approve Settlement Agreement between Seneca Valley School District, Foreman Architects Engineers, Inc., Foreman Program and Construction Managers, Inc., and Scalise Industries Corporation.
 3. ***Change Order*** - Approve change order EC-23 from Genesis Electric, Inc.
- C. **Instruction**

1. ***Student Adjudications*** - Approve the following student adjudications:
 - a. 2004-05-01
 - b. 2004-05-02
2. ***Academic Games*** - Approve academic games contract for 2004-05 in the amount of \$562.50.

D. **Personnel** (Details provided in agenda.)

1. ***Appointment - Classified*** - Carolyn F. Parenti

Mr. Hill motioned, seconded by Mrs. Reale, to approve the hold harmless agreement, settlement agreement, change order, student adjudications, Academic Games contract, and appointment as listed above. Motion carried on a roll call vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Paul, Mr. Brennan, and Mr. Adametz absent.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - The following minutes provided in the backup materials:

- A. **Work Session** - October 4, 2004
- B. **Regular Meeting** - October 11, 2004
- C. **Curriculum Committee Meeting** - October 11, 2004

4. **OPERATION REPORTS**

- A. **Treasurer's Reports** - July and August reports provided in the backup materials.

- B. **Financial Reports** - The following reports provided in the backup materials:

1. Senior High Activities Report (October)
2. Intermediate High Activities Report (October)
3. Middle School Activities Report (October)
4. Tax Collection Report (July and August)
5. Food Service Report (September)

- C. **Agency Reports** - President

1. ***Vo-Tech*** - The next meeting scheduled November 4.
2. ***I. U. IV*** - There was nothing new to report.
3. ***Clarence Brown*** - There was nothing new to report.

5. **PAYMENT OF BILLS** - The General Fund bills provided in the backup total \$4,729,205.08.

6. **ACTIVITIES FUND BILLS** - The Activities Fund bills provided in the agenda total \$14,166.35.

7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS** - Construction Fund bills provided next week.

8. **INFORMATION REPORTS**

- A. **Superintendent**

1. ***Student/Staff Recognition*** - Recognition discussed next week.

2. ***Dates to Remember***

November 10	Butler County Legislative Meeting, Vo-Tech, 7:00 p.m.
November 11	In-Service Day - no school for students
November 12	Parent Teacher Conferences - no school for K-6 students
November 25, 26	Thanksgiving Vacation
November 29	Thanksgiving Vacation
December 6	Thank You Dinner, Intermediate Cafeteria, 6:00 p.m.

3. ***Legislative*** - Information on the Butler County legislative meeting included in the backup.
4. ***Enrollment Update*** - The latest enrollment numbers included in the backup.

B. **Assistant Superintendents' Reports**

1. ***Secondary***

- a. **Principal Reports** - Report from each building principal included in backup.
- b. **Grant Programs**
- Title IV - Drug Free Schools
 - County Drug and Alcohol
- c. **Professional Development Day** - The November 11 schedule provided next week.
- d. Secondary students will participate in the S.T.O.P. Violence Convention on Tuesday, November 9. Convention sponsored by Senator Jane Clare Orie.

2. ***Elementary***

- a. **Principal Reports** - Report from each building principal included in backup.
- b. **Federal Programs Report**
- Title I - Improving America's Schools - Remedial Reading
 - Title IIA - Improving Teacher Quality
 - Title IID - Educational Technology
 - Title III - Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient and Immigrant Students
 - Title V - Innovative Education
- c. **Professional Development Day** - The November 11 schedule provided next week.

C. **Business/Finances** - Mr. Lynn Stewart

1. ***Budget Report*** - The July and August reports provided in the backup.
2. ***Transportation Committee*** - There was nothing new to report.

Mr. Paul entered the meeting at this time.

9. **ACTION ITEMS** - The Board to take action on the following items next week:

A. Administration

1. *Conferences* - Approve conferences provided in the backup.
2. *Board Policies* - Approve the following Board policies:
 - a. Graduation Requirements (#217), Revised, Adoption
 - b. Weapons (#218.1), Revised, First Reading
 - c. Political Activities (#421), New, First Reading

B. Instruction

1. *Secondary*
 - a. Approve the following curriculum changes for 2005-06 as presented at the October 11 Curriculum Committee meeting (see minutes), pending budget funding:
 - Technology Education 9-12
 - Business Education 9-12
 - Math 9-11
 - b. Authorize administration to apply for Cognitive Tutor Algebra II Grant in the amount of \$56,000; and if successful, approve implementation of the program. Matching funds of approximately \$8,000 required.
 - c. Approve agreement with Adelphoi Village to provide *Your Educational Success* services.
2. *Elementary*
 - a. Approve testing/assessment schedule for 2004-05.

C. Business/Finances

1. *Budget Transfers* - Approve budget transfers provided in backup.
2. Authorize administration to bid spring athletic supplies and equipment.
3. Authorize administration to pay bills through December 2004.
4. Approve Joint Purchasing Agreement with Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV.

D. Personnel - Personnel items discussed in executive session.

10. **COMMUNICATIONS** - Communications received from the following:

- A. Arlene Miller
- B. Cathy Cortazzo
- C. Haine Middle School Fifth Graders

11. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - There were no public comments.

12. **ADJOURNMENT** - With nothing further to come before the Board, Mr. Hill motioned, seconded by Mr. Paul, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. The motion carried on a voice vote with Mr. Adametz and Mr. Brennan absent.
13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - The Board discussed personnel and legal issues in executive session.

Mr. Dean Berkebile, Board President

Mrs. Joan Rinaman, Board Secretary