

# Seneca Valley School District



## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Cafeteria

### MINUTES

February 13, 2006

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Mr. Berkebile, Board President, called the meeting to order at 8:00 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 Board Secretary, Joan Rinaman, showed the following Board members present: Mr. Paul Adametz, Mr. Dean Berkebile, Mr. Kenneth Brennan, Mr. Robert Hill, Jr., Mr. William Paul, Mr. Thomas Roth, and Mr. Anthony Storti.

Others present included Dr. Donald Tylinski, Superintendent; Dr. Matthew McKinley, Assistant Superintendent Secondary; Mr. Jeffrey Fuller, Assistant Superintendent Elementary; Mr. Lynn Stewart, Business Manager; Mrs. Linda Andreassi, Communications Director; Mr. Ronald Lamneck, Buildings, Grounds, and Security Director; Mr. Matthew Hoffman, Solicitor; Mr. Fred Watts, Eckles Architecture; Mr. Adam Hines, Turner Construction; visitors on list, and press representatives.

2. **STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT** - Mike Emling updated the Board on activities at the Senior High School.

### 3. INFORMATION REPORTS

#### A. **Student/Staff Recognition**

1. Sophomore Chad Larkin, as a member of the Governor's Youth Council for Hunting, Fishing, and Conservation, took part in writing House Bill 1690.
2. Stephen Balmert and Eric Butler named National Merit Scholarship finalists for 2006. Winners to be announced in March.

#### B. **Dates to Remember**

February 17	Snow Make-Up/Vacation Day
February 20	Professional Development Day - No school for students
February 25 and 26	All School Musical - SVIHS auditorium
March 3 and 4	

- C. **Legislative** - Mr. Kenneth Brennan
    - 1. *Senate Bill 910* - Mr. Hill distributed a resolution regarding Senate Bill 910.  
  
Mr. Brennan motioned, seconded by Mr. Adametz, to approve resolution as provided in the backup materials. Motion carried on a roll call vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Evans and Widdowson absent.
  - D. **Enrollment Update** - The latest numbers presented in the backup materials.
  - E. **Principal Reports** - The principals' reports provided in the backup materials.
  - F. **Grant Programs**
    - 1. County Drug and Alcohol
    - 2. Title I - Improving America's Schools - Remedial Reading
    - 3. Title IIA - Improving Teacher Quality
    - 4. Title IID - Educational Technology
    - 5. Title III - Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient and Immigrant Students
    - 6. Title IV - Drug Free Schools
    - 7. Title V - Innovative Education
  - G. **Budget Report** - The November 2005 budget report provided in the Board backup.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - There were no public comments.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Approve the following Board minutes:
- A. **Work Session** - January 9, 2006
  - B. **Regular Meeting** - January 16, 2006
  - C. **Buildings and Ground Committee** - January 9, 2006
6. **OPERATION REPORTS**
- A. **Treasurer's Report** - The November treasurer's report provided in the backup.
  - B. **Financial Reports** - The following reports provided in the backup materials:
    - 1. Senior High Activities
    - 2. Intermediate High Activities
    - 3. Middle School Activities
    - 4. Athletic
    - 5. Tax Collection
    - 6. Food Service
  - C. **Agency Reports** - President
    - 1. *Vo-Tech* - Information provided in the backup materials.
    - 2. *I. U. IV* - Mr. Robert Hill, Jr. - Information provided in the backup materials.
    - 3. *Clarence Brown* - The operating committee agreed on a \$1,000 fee per student for capital improvements be charged to non-participating districts.
7. **PAYMENT OF BILLS** - The General Fund bills provided in the backup total \$2,069,052.33.

8. **ACTIVITIES FUND BILLS** - The Activities Fund bills provided in the agenda total \$28,830.82. It was explained that the rental car repair was for a van that was used to travel to the cross country state meet. The van was damaged during the night while parked in the hotel parking lot.
9. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS** - The Construction Fund bills provided in the backup total \$129,482.26

Mr. Hill motioned, seconded by Mr. Paul, to approve the minutes, financial reports, and bills as listed above. Motion carried on a roll call vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Widdowson and Mr. Evans absent.

#### 10. **ADMINISTRATION ACTION**

- A. **Conferences** - Approve conferences in backup.
- B. **Board Policies** - Approve the following Board policies:
  1. Policy 227 - Substance Use/Abuse, revised, adoption
  2. Policy 216 - Student Records, revised, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading
  3. Policy 611 - Purchases Budgeted, revised, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading
  4. Policy 008 - Organization Chart, revised, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading
  5. Family Medical Leave, new, 1<sup>st</sup> reading
- C. **Student Adjudication** - Approve student adjudication #2005-06-08.

Mr. Hill motioned, seconded by Mr. Storti, to approve the conferences, policies, and adjudication as listed above. Motion carried on a roll call vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Widdowson and Mr. Evans absent.

#### 11. **INSTRUCTION ACTION**

- A. **Summer School** - Approve the Camp Invention science summer camp to be conducted at Haine Elementary, June 26 -30 (self-sustaining).
- B. **Student Travel**
  1. ***Graphic Arts Club*** - Approve Graphic Arts Club students' participation in Technology Student Association competition on February 24 at California University of Pennsylvania. The students will miss one day of school and there is no cost to the district.
  2. ***Key Club*** - Approve three Key Club students to attend convention in Hershey on March 3-5. The students will miss one day of school and there is no cost to the district.
  3. ***Boys' Lacrosse Club*** - Approve Boys' Lacrosse to participate in games in Detroit and Birmingham, Michigan, on March 24-25. The students will miss one day of school and there is no cost to the district.
- C. **Technology for Teaching Grant** - Authorize administration to submit a 2006 HP Technology for Teaching grant for the Senior and Intermediate High Schools. The possible grant award is for a minimum of \$30,000 per building.

- D. **Federal Programs Consortium** - Approve resolution regarding Midwestern Intermediate Unit Consortium Proposal for Federal Programs for 2006-07 school year.

Mr. Storti motioned, seconded by Mr. Brennan, to approve the elementary summer school, student travel, grant, and federal programs consortium. Motion carried on a roll call vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Evans and Mr. Widdowson absent.

## 12. BUSINESS/FINANCES ACTION

### A. **Buildings and Grounds**

1. ***Plancon F*** - Acknowledge PDE approval of Plancon F for the Senior High School project.
2. ***Plancon G*** - Approve submission of Plancon G for the Senior High School to PDE for approval.

- B. **Supplies and Equipment Bids** - Authorize the administration to bid instructional and non-instructional supplies and equipment for 2006-07 school year.

- C. **Audio Mixer** - Authorize the administration to bid a new audio mixer for SVTV.

- D. **Real Estate Taxes** - Approve the following real estate tax refunds:

1. Refund of penalty - \$70.29
2. Refund due to reduced assessment - \$1,700.70

- E. **Budget Transfers** - Approve budget transfers. -

Mr. Paul motioned, seconded by Mr. Storti, to approve Plancon F acknowledgement, Plancon G submission, authorization to bid supplies, equipment, and audio mixer, real estate refunds, and budget transfers. Motion carried on a roll call vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Evans and Mr. Widdowson absent.

- F. **Senior High Contracts** - Authorize the award of construction contracts for the Senior High School project as listed on Plancon Part F, Attachment C as approved by PDE. This action amends the resolution previously adopted on January 16, 2006, so as to allow the award of contracts prior to PDE approval of Plancon Part G.

Mr. Brennan motioned seconded by Mr. Hill, to approve the motion as listed above. After a lengthy discussion on the possible loss of reimbursement, delay claims by contractors, and costs, the motion failed to carry with Mr. Hill, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Berkebile voting yes; Mr. Storti, Mr. Adametz, and Mr. Roth voting no; and Mr. Evans and Mr. Widdowson absent.

## 13. PERSONNEL ACTION (Details provided in the agenda.)

- A. **Resignations** - *Professional*- Rose Dancu, Linda Clark, Linda Anthony, Ellyn Anthony; *Classified* - Linda Miller, Renee Fetter, Barbara Checkan, Jane Moran; *Supplemental*- Amanda Boyd, Jeffrey Badger.

- B. **Appointments** - Day-to-day professional substitutes; *Classified* - Helen Levenson, April Householder, Darla Frederick, Barbara Steinmetz, Faye Nelson, Cynthia Little, Linda Goehring, Kandy Zajackowski, day-to-day substitutes; *Supplemental*- Patrick Oster, Stephen Adams, Dean Boronyak, Mary Ann Graziano, Nick Ierino, Michael Manipole, Wayne Roccia, Lori Rehm, Christopher Jackson, Christine Cooper, Chad Hein, Martin Pegher, Jessica Onda, Douglas Kepreos, Amanda Wise, Hanna Rowe.
- C. **Leaves** - John Mooney, Joyce Sterba, Tina Hilliard.
- D. **Tenure** - Deborah Birosik, Amy Lehman, Alicia Scopelite.
- E. **Information**
  - 1. ***Intent to Retire*** - Linda Morgan, Carolyn Snyder, Thomas Anthony, Debra Hill, Ellen Simoff.
  - 2. Susan Giovengo, a Westminster College student, to complete a 100-hour practicum in secondary guidance at the Intermediate High School under the supervision of Mr. Del Prete.

Mr. Hill motioned, seconded by Mr. Storti, to approve the resignations, appointments, leaves, and tenure as listed above. Motion carried on a roll call vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Widdowson and Mr. Evans absent.

- 14. **COMMUNICATIONS** - The following communications provided in the backup materials:
  - A. Maria Singel
  - B. Adam Bartos
- 15. **ADJOURNMENT** - With nothing further to come before the Board, Mr. Hill motioned, seconded by Mr. Paul, to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote with those present voting in the affirmative with Mr. Evans and Mr. Widdowson absent.
- 16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - An executive session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel and legal matters.

Mr. Dean Berkebile, Board President

Mrs. Joan Rinaman, Board Secretary