

SOUTHERN LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 9, 2023 @ 5:30 pm / High School Media Center

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call:

Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

**III. Adoption of Minutes: Moved by Linda Morris, Seconded by John Sawyer
Waive the reading of the minutes**

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

IV. Reception of Visitors

During the Reception of Visitors or in the meeting, anyone addressing the board must refrain from using specific names other than that of the person speaking. If used, the President will ask you to continue in an executive session to be held at the board's determination. This is in line with Board of Education Policy 0169.1. There is a time limit of five minutes to speak per person and a total of thirty minutes. To go beyond thirty minutes board vote is needed.

- 1. Amy Gareis – JCESC**
- 2. Nancy Sakely**
- 3. John Sakely**
- 4. Robert Marra**
- 5. Heather Price**
- 6. Ed Gotschall**
- 7. Carol Melott**
- 8. Heather McCartney**
- 9. Bethany McCartney**
- 10. Chris Eltringham**
- 11. Kim Boston**
- 12. Pam Young**
- 13. Danielle Crawford**
- 14. Tracy Jones**

V. Treasurer's Report

- A. Financial Report: (Approval of the payment of bills and the transfers and /or advances as presented by the treasurer).**

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

VI. Career Center Report

VII. Building Reports

Elementary Report from Mrs. Brinker

We recently just finished up Breakfast with a loved one and averaged 300 each day.

Elementary has started a PBIS team and will meet before the school year ends to discuss items for next year.

Field days are happening and parents and families are welcome to come watch

District showcase is May 18th and elementary students and teachers are working hard on their displays

May 19th elementary K-5 will attend a scrappers YSU game day

Jr/Sr High Report from Mr. Wright

- End of course exams finished up this past Monday
 - Students will be rewarded with their names entered into a \$50 drawing for showing positive effort during test taking.
- Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports
- Wednesday, May 10 - PBIS Team will be taking 30 PBIS Students to the Pittsburgh Pirates Game
- Monday, May 15 - PBIS Reward Day: Hot dogs and Hamburgers Cook Out! Mr. Cunningham will be one of the cooks!

Academics

- Next Kiwanis Breakfast - May 16: Katie Calderon was voted May Kiwanis Student of the Month

Seniors (64 Graduates)

- Wednesday, May 24 - Senior Breakfast @ Kiwanis Club at 8:00am
 - 9:30am - Senior Assembly following the Breakfast
- Friday, May 26 - Graduation
- 16 Seniors will receive an Honors Diploma
- 3 Seniors will receive a Career-Tech Honors Diploma
- So far over 40 scholarships have been awarded to this year's seniors totaling well over \$250,000

VIII. Superintendent's Report

23-061 Recommend approval of the staffing agreement from Jefferson County Educational Service Center. This agreement is for a term of twelve (12) months, commencing on August 1, 2023 and ending on July 31, 2024.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-062 Recommend approval of the agreement for internet access and application services for fiscal year 2024 with Access. This agreement is for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Linda Morris

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-063 Recommend approval of Journalism/Sports Literature field trip to Heinz Western PA Sports Museum/PNC Park on April 27, 2023. Time of departure is 9:15 am and time of return is 4:30 pm.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

**23-064 Recommend approval of the following substitutes:
Kristina Napierkowski – para professional
Breann Napierkowski – teacher**

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-065 **Recommend approval of the summer school stipend of \$2500.00 for staff serving as summer school instructors. These stipends will be paid from ESSER funds.**

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-066 **Recommend approval of the following summer school teachers:**

Brett Hughes – Junior High 6-8 ELA

Zachary Almy – Junior High 6-8 Math and High School 9-12 Math

Amanda Wroblewski – Junior High 6-8 Science and High School 9-12 Science

Kyle Exline – High School 9-12 ELA

Kelly Malone – Intervention Specialist 6-12

Gerard Grimm – College Readiness 10-12

KellyAnn Clark – College Readiness

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-067 **Recommend approval of the list of graduates for the 2022-2023 school year. (Attachment A)**

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-068 **Recommend approval of the five-year forecast as presented by the treasurer. (Attachment B)**

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-069 Recommend the Board to approve then and now purchase orders as approved by the Treasurer. (Attachment C)

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-070 Recommend approval of the following three-year teaching contracts:

**Heather McCartney
Holly Davis
Michele Skinner
Fernando DeChellis
Alannah Smith
Nick Woods
Paige Beatty
Kenadee Pezzano
Elizabeth Callahan**

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Abstain, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-071 Recommend approval of the following one-year teaching contracts:

**Larry Rudloff
Bob Shansky
Abby Dalton
Kylee Maple
Lisa Houk
Tracey Richards
Gerard Grimm**

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-072 Recommend approval of the supplemental contract for Charlie Puckett for stadium maintenance for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-073 Recommend approval to accept the donation of \$900.00 from Bregar Machine and Industrial for the high school track team.

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Linda Morris

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-074 Recommend approval of the retirement of Patty Gruszecki as elementary secretary. Patty has worked for the district for twenty-seven years. We wish her well in her future endeavors.

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-075 Recommend approval of the agreement with Access for voice services for fiscal year 2024. This agreement is for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-076 Recommend approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with SLTA to implement a retirement incentive plan. (Attachment D)

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-077 Recommend approval of the retirement of Mr. Whittaker. Mr. Whittaker has been a teacher in the district for 23 years. We wish him well in his future endeavors. Mr. Whittaker will participate in the retirement incentive plan.

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Linda Morris

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-078 Recommend approval to renew the contract with The Nutrition Group.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-079 Recommend approval to adjust the payroll account for \$401.42 for a direct deposit issued associated with the payroll of Easter (April 11).

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-080 Recommendation to go into executive session for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law of rules or state statutes. WHEREAS, as a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of a quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

To consider one or more, as applicable, of the check-marked items with respect to a public employee or official:

- 1. Appointment
- 2. Employment
- 3. Dismissal
- 4. Discipline
- 5. Promotion
- 6. Demotion
- 7. Compensation

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

Returned from Executive Session: 8:11 pm

Roll Call: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

Next Regular Meeting: June 13, 2023

Adjournment: 8:12 pm

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

Greg Sabbato, Treasurer

Kip Dowling, President