COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 28, 2008 - 7:00 PM 9/10 CENTER AUDITORIUM

OPENING ACTIVITIES

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:01 P.M.

2. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, A LEARNING COMMUNITY RICH IN DIVERSITY AND COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE, IS TO EDUCATE ALL STUDENTS BY PROVIDING RIGOROUS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE, PRODUCTIVE, LIFE-LONG LEARNERS IN A GLOBAL SOCIETY.

3. ADVISEMENT

By notice of the President, Board Members are advised that all votes shall be regarded as roll call votes. The minutes should also note that public notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 93 of 1998, Section 1. School Board meetings shall proceed in accordance with School Board policy.

4. ROLL CALL

Donna Urban, President-present (*Education Committee*) Richard Ritter, V-President-present (*Finance Committee*)

Diane M. Brownfield-present (Education / Community & Student Relations Committees)

J. Neil Campbell-present (Finance & Operations Committees)

Donald R. Holt, Jr. -present (Finance Committee)
Paul L. Johnson-present (Operations Committee)
Laurie C. Knecht-present (Operations Committee)

Robert M. Knecht -present (Education / Community & Student Relations Committees)

Richard A. Saha, Sr.-present (Community & Student Relations Committee)

Student Representatives:

Julia Ward, Sr. Class Representative - present Nicholas Sikoutris, Jr. Class Representative - present

5. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Approval of Minutes

September 23, 2008

Approved

Vote: 8-0-1

Abstained: L. Knecht

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Addition:

Item 5. I. Special Education Task Force

Deletion:

Item 5. C. Review of Revised Policy 111 - Lesson Plans - 1st Reading

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the minutes for the September 23, 2008 School Board meeting subject to any additions, deletions, modifications or clarifications. (Enclosure)

Vote: 8-0-1 Motion: Diane Brownfield Second: Richard Saha

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board has requested all persons making comments on agenda items to list their name, address, telephone number and motion item(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute limit per person. The Board does not take action or discuss items not appearing on the agenda. The Board values public comments and wishes to convey that although Board members cannot discuss items that are not on the agenda, they listen carefully and appreciate and value input from the public.

1) Byron Shearer:

Mr. Shearer is pleased with the work of the current school board. He also wanted to express his views regarding Item 5. B. Policy 104 (Non-Discrimination in Employment and Contract Practice). Although he respects those with alternative points of view, Mr. Shearer feels that schools are entrusted in the care of the students. He therefore suggests careful review and rejection of changing the existing policy with respect to a class of individuals not currently protected by the State of Pennsylvania.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was held from 6:00 – 6:55 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2008 for legal and personnel reasons.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent's Report was provided by Richard Como.

IMPORTANT DATES



Date	Time	Meetings	Place
November 11, 2008	6:00 P.M.	All Committee Meetings	9/10 Center Auditorium
Monday November 24, 2008	7:00 P.M.	School Board Meeting	9/10 Center Auditorium
December 2, 2008	6:00 P.M.	Reorganization Meeting	9/10 Center Auditorium
December 2, 2008	Immediately following Reorganization Meeting	School Board Meeting	9/10 Center Auditorium

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Presentation by the Coatesville Area Senior High School Students Robert Fisher, Principal
- Congratulations to Superintendent Richard Como who has recently been enshrined into Great Valley's Hall of Fame.

SPECIAL REPORTS

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

The student representative's report was provided by Julia Ward.

MOTION ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Committee meeting action items considered routine will be enacted under one motion unless removed for separate action upon Board request. The purpose of the consolidated motion is to expedite Governing Board action on all consent items, which are not held for discussion. Items that have been held for discussion by the Governing Board will be enacted upon at the time the item is discussed.

1. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u> (School Board President) RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board approves the consent agenda items:

Items to be removed from Consent Agenda:

2. J. 3. a. 1. Kay, Lindsay
2. J. e. b. 2. Baker, Maxine
5. B. Review of Revised Policy 104
5. I. Special Education Task Force

Approved
Vote: 9-0-0

Consent Agenda

Motion: Diane Brownfield Second: Paul Johnson Vote: 9-0-0

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE (Don Holt, Chair)

A. Schedule of Bills Payable

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Schedule of Bills Payable for the month ending September 30, 2008.

Fund	
General Fund – 10	\$ 4,125,663.29
Capital Reserve Fund – 22	133,824.26
Athletic Fund – 29	54,825.58
Capital Projects Fund-32/2007 GOB	5,292,097.51
Food Service – 51	75,934.09
Trust Fund – 71	0.0
Student Activities Fund – 81	14,030.85
Agency Fund – 89	3,127.76
TOTAL	\$ 9,699,503.34

B. Treasurer's Report

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Treasurer's Report submitted for the month ending September 30, 2008.

C. Budget Transfers

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the budget transfers as submitted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 in the amount of \$5,020,491.64; and the budget transfers as submitted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009 in the amount of \$2,390,151.29.

D. Schedule of Investments

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Schedule of Investments for the month ending September 30, 2008.

E. Student Activities Report

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Student Activities Report for the month ending September 2008.

F. 2009-2010 Enrollment Forecasts

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the 2009-2010 Enrollment Forecasts.

G. 2009-2010 School Allocations

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the 2009-2010 School Allocations.

H. E-Rate Contract – YR 12

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the E-Rate contract with Julie Tritt-Schell to consult with the District for the Year 12 - Funding Year 2009 for E-rate expenditures from 7/1/2009 to 6/30/2010. The fee for the service would be \$10,000. Year 11 requested totaled \$350,729. E-rate collections by Julie Tritt-Schell were \$161,052, with an additional \$108,120 appeal pending. Year 10 totaling \$232,000 and Year 11 totaling \$350,000 are waiting funding by E-rate. Payments made to Ms. Tritt-Schell total \$27,500 to date.

I. Self Insurance Stop Loss Insurance

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors ratifies the action taken by administration in awarding the self insurance individual excess loss insurance coverage to HM Life Insurance for the approximate annual premium of \$253,452 and to not purchase aggregate excess loss insurance coverage. This action saved the District \$98,763 compared to last year.

J. Human Resources

1. Resignations - Regular and Extra Duty

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following Resignations - Regular and Extra Duty:

- a. ADMINISTRATION
- b. CATA
- c. CATSS
 - 1) Brewer, Sondra, 6.5 hr. One-on-One Special Education Instructional Aide for the Coatesville Area Senior High School. Letter Dated: 9/23/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 9/2/08.
 - 2) Hawa, Judi, 2 Hour Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the Reeceville Elementary School. Letter Dated: 10/13/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 10/16/08.
 - 3) White-Scalies, Sharon, 6.5 hr. Special Education Classroom Aide for the Friendship Elementary School. Letter Dated: 10/17/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 10/31/08.
 - 4) Turner, Burdena, 2 Hour Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the King's Highway Elementary School. Letter Dated: 10/6/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 10/13/08.

d. FEDERATION

e. EXTRA DUTY

- 1) Hess, Calvert, Girls' Assistant Track & Field Coach for the Coatesville Area High School Campus. Letter Dated: 9/29/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 9/29/08.
- 2) Malpeli, Mary, Co-Special Education Department Head for the South Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 10/2/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 6/18/08.
- 3) Mathisen, Denise, Student Council Co-Advisor for the Rainbow Elementary School. Letter Dated: 9/16/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 9/16/08.

- 4) Orth, Travis, Girl's 7th Grade Lacrosse Coach for the North Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 10/2/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 10/2/08.
- 5) Wright, Shawn, Chess Club Advisor for the Caln Elementary School. Letter Dated: 8/28/08. Reason: Personal. Effective: 8/28/08.

2. New Appointments - Regular and Extra Duty

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following New Appointments - Regular and Extra Duty:

a. ADMINISTRATION

b. CATA

c. CATSS

- Timperio, Rachel, 2 hr. Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the King's Highway Elementary School. Posted: 8/22/08 (Henderson). Salary: \$9.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.
- 2) Trolio, Natalie, 4.75 Hour Building Aide for the Friendship Elementary School. Posted: 9/18/08 (Brickus). Salary: \$10.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.
- 3) Wasko, Marie, 2 hr. Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 8/20/08 (McBride). Salary: \$9.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.
- 4) Welton, Carol, Substitute Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the Caln Elementary School. Salary: \$9.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.
- 5) Wilson, Karen, Maintenance Secretary Facilities Department at the Benner Administration Building. Posted: 8/15/08 (Donohue). Salary: \$15.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Pending.

d. FEDERATION

- 1) Rosado, Jorge, Substitute Custodian for the Coatesville Area School District. Salary: \$10.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.
- 2) Ruiz, Luis, Substitute Custodian for the Coatesville Area School District. Salary: \$10.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.

e. EXTRA DUTY

1) Lara-Ferrufino, Jose, Girls' 8th Grade Soccer Coach for the Scott Middle School. Posted: 9/18/08 (Gellner). Salary: \$1,750.00. Effective: 2008 – 2009 School Year. SP4: Staff.

- 2) Gallagher, April, Co-Student Council Advisor for the Rainbow Elementary School. Posted: 9/23/08 (Mathisen). Salary: \$210.00. Effective: 2008 2009 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 3) Husta, Serafina, 2nd Grade Level Chairperson for the Reeceville Elementary School. Posted: 9/25/08 (Guiseppe). Salary: \$1,800.00. Effective: 2008 2009 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 4) Long, Timothy, Chess Club Advisor for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/23/08 (Wright). Salary: \$540.00. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.
- 5) Stephens, Bear Ronald, Assistant Boys' Wrestling Coach for the Coatesville Area High School Campus. Posted: 8/14/08 (Carrozza). Salary: \$2,324.00. Effective: 2008 2009 School Year. SP4: Approved.
- 6) Mentors for the Coatesville Area School District. Salary: \$1,000.00. If Mentor is assigned two teachers, the salary for mentoring the additional teacher is \$500.00. One-half (½) pay will be provided if only one (1) semester is served as a mentor.

MENTOR NEW TEACHER

RAINBOW ELEMENTARY

Leah Givler Patricia Handel – Eff: 9/19/08

9/10 CENTER

Claire Lindelow Doreen Taylor – Eff: 11/18/08

CASH

Daniel Tieri Jennifer Jeffery – Eff: 9/29/08

4Sight Scoring Grant Funded Personnel for the Coatesville Area School District. Posted: 8/28/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 2008 – 2009 School Year. SP4: Staff.

CASH

Michelle Cline Debby Herman William Mendenhall III

8) 21st CCLC Grant Afterschool Program Aide(s) for the South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 9/3/08. Salary: \$10.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08.

Omayra Cruz-Mendez - SP4: Staff Ryne C. Anthony – SP4: Approved

9) 21st Century Grant Afterschool Teachers for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/30/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

Marisa Cafferky Gail Carroll
Patricia Ciarlone Tyler Dupre
Lisa Guido Julie Keefer
Melissa Landrum Timothy Long

Emily Nefos Veronia Rainer Suzanne Resendiz Courtney Shagren Alexia Sinton Jennifer Stanley Amy Summa Sharon Yoder Rebecca Walker Heather Yore

10) Co-21st Century Grant Site Base Manager(s) for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/30/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

> Lois Lamond Courtney Shagren Shawn Wright

11) 21st Century Grant Afterschool Teachers for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/30/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08.

> Gretchen Ainslie: Approved Maureen Nolt: Approved Tiffany Toth: Pending

EAP Grant Afterschool Tutors for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/3/08. 12) Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

> Tyler Dupre **Emily Nefos**

13) EAP Grant Afterschool Tutors for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/3/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.

> Gretchen Ainslie Maureen Nolt

- 14) Jaskot, Gregory, Substitute EAP Grant Afterschool Tutor for the East Fallowfield Elementary School. Posted: 9/3/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.
- 15) McConaghy, Megan, EAP Grant Afterschool Tutor for the King's Highway Elementary School. Posted: 9/3/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.
- Menaker, Jeff, EAP Grant Afterschool Tutor for the King's Highway Elementary 16) School. Posted: 9/3/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.
- Petcavage, Kate L. 21st CCLC After School Program Aide for the South 17) Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 9/3/08. Salary: \$10.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.
- 18) EAP Grant Afterschool Tutors for the Scott Middle School. Posted: 9/3/08. Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

Margaret Gunlefinger Domenica Hydutsky Tim Irwin Linda Pitts

Frances Rodkey Pam Shuman 19) 21st Century Grant Afterschool Instructional Aide(s) for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/30/08. Salary: \$10.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

Joleen Ernest
Darlene Criser & Dawn Miller – Substitutes

- Edwards, Holli, Substitute EAP Grant Afterschool Tutor for the Friendship Elementary School. Posted: 9/3/08 (New). Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.
- 21) EAP Grant Afterschool Tutors for the King's Highway Elementary School. Posted: 9/3/08 (New). Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

Eileen Leypoldt (substitute) Jonathan Stamato Jonathan Maxwell Tracey Valentine

- 22) Kennedy, Deborah, Afterschool Grant Funded Program Aide for the Regency Park Apartments Community Center. Posted: 9/11/08 (New). Salary: \$10.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.
- O'Grady, Amy, Afterschool Grant Funded Program Site Base Manager for the Regency Park Apartments Community Center. Posted: 9/11/08 (New). Salary: \$24.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.
- 24) EAP Grant Afterschool Tutors for the Coatesville Area High School Campus. Posted: 9/3/08 (New). Salary: \$31.00/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

Maria Bonamico Megan Hume Michelene Dziekonski

Nancy Potts

Amy Walsh

3. Creation of New Position(s)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following new positions:

a. CATSS

1) Baker, Maxine, move from 2 Hour Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the Gordon Education Center to 2 Hour Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 10/13/08 (New). Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.

Baker, Maine

Approved

Vote: 9-0-0

Motion: Neil Campbell

Second: Diane Brownfield

Vote: 9-0-0

2) Kay, Lindsey, 6.5 Hour Instructional Aide for the Caln Elementary School. Posted: 9/30/08 (New). Salary: \$10.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.

Kay, Lindsey

Approved

Vote: 9-0-0

Motion: Donna Urban Second: Diane Brownfield Vote: 9-0-0

3) Menan, Andrew, Title I 6.5 Hour Classroom Aide for the South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 9/8/08 (New). Salary: \$10.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Approved.

4. Leave(s) of Absence

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following Leave(s) of Absence as indicated:

a. ADMINISTRATION

b. CERTIFIED

1) Searfass, Kristin, IEP Facilitator for the Coatesville Area School District. Letter Dated: 9/17/08. Reason: Intermittent FMLA. Effective: 9/22/08.

c. CATA

- 1) Cloud, Dawn, 4th Grade Teacher for the Reeceville Elementary School. Letter Dated: 10/15/08. Reason: FMLA/Childrearing. Effective: 2/9/09 6/12/09.
- 2) Gardiner, Leslie, Elementary Art Teacher for the Reeceville Elementary School. Letter Dated: 8/25/08. Reason: Extended FMLA. Effective: 10/1/08 – 10/31/08.
- 3) Maloney, Kirstin, 2nd Grade Teacher for the King's Highway Elementary School. Letter Dated: 10/14/08. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 10/27/08 12/19/08.
- 4) Mendoza, Christine, Strings Music Teacher for the Friendship Elementary and Caln Elementary Schools. Letter Dated: 9/9/08. Reason: FMLA/Childrearing. Effective: 11/14/08 6/12/09.
- 5) Murray, Megan, Guidance Counselor for the Scott Middle School. Letter Dated: 9/11/08. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 11/17/08 1/30/09.
- 6) Renshaw, Sharon, 7th Grade Science Teacher for the North Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 9/17/08. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 2/9/09 4/3/09.
- 7) Sheehan, Patrick, Business Education Teacher for the Coatesville Area High School 9/10 Center. Letter Dated: 10/1/08. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 10/9/08 10/20/08.

d. CATSS

- 1) Brunson, Eartha, 2 hr. Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the Friendship Elementary School. Letter Dated: 8/18/08. Reason: Unpaid Leave of Absence. Effective: 9/2/08 10/27/08.
- 2) Green, Vernsia, Assistant Principal's Secretary for the North Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 9/24/08. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 10/2/08 12/1/08.

- 3) Gullap, Patricia, 6.5 hr. One-on-One Special Education Aide for the Friendship Elementary School. Letter Dated: 6/2/08. Reason: Extended FMLA, change of date. Effective: 9/2/08 9/26/08.
- 4) Louie, Helen, 2 hr. Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the East Fallowfield Elementary School. Letter Dated: 8/18/08. Reason: Unpaid Personal Leave of Absence. Effective: 10/20/08 10/31/08.
- 5) Pavelik, Ruth Ann, Assistant Principal's Secretary for the Caln Elementary School. Letter Dated: 9/2/08. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 8/22/08 10/31/08.
- 6) Twyman, Bettina, One-on-One Special Education Aide for the Friendship Elementary School. Letter Dated: 9/22/08. Reason: Military Leave. Effective: 9/2/08 1/8/09.

e. FEDERATION

- 1) Douglas, Ernest, Custodian for the Scott Middle School. Letter Dated: 8/15/08. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 9/17/08 10/6/08.
- 2) Brugger, Cheryl, 5.5 Hour General Utility Worker for the Coatesville Area Senior High School. Reason: Unpaid Leave of Absence. Effective: 9/2/08 10/17/08.

5. Voluntary Transfers:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Voluntary Transfer of:

6. Change of Status

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Change of Status as indicated:

a. NON-CERTIFIED

Murphy, Danette, move from Secretary to the Director of Educational Research & Development/Pupil Personnel Services and the Director of Elementary Education/Curriculum & Instruction K-6 to Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent. Posted: 8/20/08 (Mann). Salary: \$48,591.00. Effective: 11/3/08.

b. CATSS

- 1) Quinn, Carole, move from Substitute Cafeteria/Playground Aide for the Coatesville Area School District @ \$9.50/hr. to 6.5 Hour Special Education Classroom Aide for the South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 9/3/08 (Gaffney). Salary: \$12.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08. SP4: Staff.
- 2) Stevens, Donna, move from Substitute Special Education Aide @ \$10.50/hr. to 6.5 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for the Coatesville Area High School Campus 9/10 Center. Posted: 10/13/08 (Brewer). Salary: \$12.50/hr. Effective: 10/29/08.

c. FEDERATION

- Dean, Timothy, move from High Technician Level "D" @ \$27.32/hr. to High Technician Level "C" @ \$27.64/hr. for the Coatesville Area School District. Effective: Retroactive to 10/17/08.
- Hamilton, Walter, move from High Technician Level "C" @ \$27.64/hr. to High Technician Level "B" @ \$28.02/hr. for the Coatesville Area School District. Effective: Retroactive to 9/29/08.
- 3) Lepori, Sr., Arthur, move from Head Custodian "B" @ \$22.18/hr. to Head Custodian "A" @ \$22.49/hr. for the North Brandywine Middle School. Effective: Retroactive to 9/29/08.
- 4) Nicholson, Joseph, move from Custodian "B" @ \$18.29/hr. to Custodian "A" @ \$18.82/hr. for the North Brandywine Middle School. Effective: Retroactive to 8/29/08.
- 5) Young, Linda move from Substitute General Utility Worker for the Coatesville Area School District @ \$9.00/hr. to 3.75 hr. General Utility for the Coatesville Area High School Campus 9/10 Center. Posted: 9/23/08 (Short). Salary: \$13.76/hr. Effective: 10/29/08.

3. <u>EDUCATION COMMITTEE</u> (Diane Brownfield, Chair)

A. Title I Parent Involvement Policies

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the School Board of Directors adopts the revised parent involvement policies for Coatesville Area School District, Friendship Elementary School, Rainbow Elementary School, Receiville Elementary School, Scott Middle School, and South Brandywine Middle School for the 2008-2009 school year.

B. Grant Applications

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following grant applications:

- Title III Improving Language Instruction in the amount of \$163,065
- Least Restrictive Environment Special Education grant in the amount of \$20,000

4. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (*Laurie Knecht, Chair*)

A. Approval of PlanCon A & B Submission—North & South Brandywine Middle Schools

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the submission of PlanCon A & B to the Department of Education for the renovations of North & South Brandywine Middle Schools.

B. Act 34 Hearing – North & South Brandywine Middle Schools

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the scheduling of Act 34 Hearings, on December 2, 2008, for the renovations of North & South Brandywine Middle Schools.

5. COMMUNITY & STUDENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE (Robert Knecht, Chair)

A. Student Discipline Hearings

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following student disciplinary action(s) as recommended: (*Enclosure*)

Student #	<u>Actions</u>
08DH70	30 day expulsion.
08DH71	15 day expulsion and 10 hours of community service.
08DH72	30 day expulsion.
08DH73	15 day expulsion and 10 hours of community service.
08DH74	Referred to an interim alternative educational setting.
08DH75	Instruction in the home pending results of evaluation.

B. Review of Revised Policy #104 – Non-Discrimination in Employment and Contract

Practices - 1st Reading

Motion to Amend Policy 104 regarding "sexual orientation"

Motion: Laurie Knecht Second: Robert Knecht Vote: 7-2-0

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the 1st reading of revised Policy #104 – Non Discrimination in Employment and Contract Practices, as amended.

Motion: Diane Brownfield Second: Richard Saha Vote: 7-2-0

Motion to Amend Revised Policy 104

Approved

Vote: 7-2-0 Opposed: R. Knecht & Urban

Revised Policy 104

Approved

Vote: 7-2-0

Opposed: R. Knecht & Urban

C. Repeal of Policy #120 – Human Development Program – 1st Reading

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the repeal of Policy #120 on 1st reading – Human Development Program.

D. Review of Revised Policy #140 – Charter Schools – 1st Reading

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the 1st reading of revised Policy #140 – Charter Schools.

E. Review of Revised Policy #233 – Suspension and Expulsion – 2nd Reading

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the 2nd reading of revised Policy #233 – Suspension and Expulsion.

F. Review of Revised Policy #231 – Social Events and Class Trips – 2nd Reading

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the 2nd reading of revised Policy # 231 – Social Events and Class Trips.

G. **Request to Attend Three Special Olympics State Competitions**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the request for students to attend three Special Olympics State Competitions during the 2008-2009 school year.

At 8:05 p.m., Robert Knecht left the meeting.

H. **Special Education Task Force**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the request to start a Special Education Task Force.

Motion to Table: Laurie Knecht Second: Diane Brownfield Vote: 8-0-0

Motion to Table Special Ed Task Force Approved

Vote: 8-0-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has requested that all persons making comments of public concern to list their name, address, telephone number and topic(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute time limit per person.

1) Ron Taggart:

> Mr. Taggart was asked to attend tonight's board meeting, by his daughter's math teacher, to request that venetian blinds be installed in the math classroom.

Rev. Jim Caldwell: 2)

> Rev. Caldwell would like to see construction updates posted to the district website. He continues to thank the school board for their work.

ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Diane Brownfield reported on her attendance at the PSBA Conference.

INFORMATION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. on a motion by Paul Johnson and seconded by Richard Saha.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Jackson, Recording Secretary

Kenneth D. Lupold, School Board Secretary

If any Board Member or member of the public wishes to review the minutes verbatim, please contact the School Board Secretary and make arrangements to come to the District Office and listen to the meeting tapes.