

**NEW HOPE-SOLEBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
January 25, 2006**

A Board meeting of the New Hope-Solebury School District Board of Directors was held at the District Conference Room on Wednesday, January 25, 2006. Mr. Fiala, President, called the meeting to order at 7:26 p.m. Mr. Fiala led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Fiala, then asked the Secretary to call roll.

Members present: Mr. Behre, Mr. Dozbaba, Mrs. Elefante, Mr. Fiala, Mr. Fieber, Mr. Heath, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Nally, and Mrs. O'Brien

Administrators present: Dr. Stevenson, Mr. Hansel, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Radaszkiewicz, Mrs. Katauskas, Ms. James, Mrs. Hoffman, Mr. Mumin, Mr. Silver, and Dr. Young

Board Minutes

Upon a motion made by Mr. Heath, seconded by Mr. Nally, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2006 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors.

Bond Issue

Discussion

Representatives from Public Financial Management and Thorp Reed and Armstrong reported on the results of the bid for refinancing the 2003 bond issue.

Board Action

Upon a motion made by Mr. Nally, seconded by Mr. Dozbaba, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution for refinancing the 2003 general obligation bond issue.

Old Business

The Student Representatives reported on activities in the school.

Mrs. Elefante reported on the Act 153 Committee meeting.

Mrs. O'Brien reported on the next Policy Committee.

Mr. Hopkins reported on the Student Activities Committee.

Mr. Fiala reported on the Facilities Committee.

Mr. Hansel reported on the status of the elementary school project.

Mrs. Elefante reported on Board follow-up.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Stevenson reported on the status of the budget for 2006/2007.

Dr. Stevenson also reported on a reorganization study that was taking place.

Dr. Stevenson reported that the school district had met the adequate Yearly Progress for two consecutive years and that the district had received plaques for the individual schools.

Board Action

Upon a motion made by Mr. Fiala, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, the Board voted to direct Administration to review the organizational structure of the school district.

New Business

Discussion/Information Items

Mrs. Katauskas and the Health/Physical Education teachers reported on the results of their Curriculum Committee.

Finance

Upon a motion made by Mr. Heath, seconded by Mr. Behre, the Board voted to approve the following:

- Treasurer's Report and Financial Report for November 2005
- List of bills totaling \$842,203.93

2005-2006 Checks for Approval
Check Numbers – 10015545 to 10015649
Totaling – \$807,217.68

2004 Bond Issue Construction Fund Checks for Approval
Check Number – 320070
Totaling - \$34,986.25

- Budgetary transfers for the 2005-2006 fiscal year and that they be made part of the permanent minute book.

Personnel

Upon a motion made by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Dozbaba, the Board voted to approve the following:

- Per Diem Substitutes 2005-2006 School Year

Leann Birky
Grace Comber
Nancy DeCarvalho
Inessa Gerstman
Nina Golowatsch
Lesile Latch
Phi Nguyen

- Accountability Block Grant, PSSA Tutors 2005-2006 School Year

Tutoring at the rate of \$60.00 per hour:

Marie Mueller
Bonnie Rubin
Jennifer Pieczynki
Jennifer Johnston
Rick Werkheiser
Patricia Lorenz
Paul Giovannello
Diane Coyle
Sarah Brundage
Bill Snyder
Kelly Tate

Policy and Program

Upon a motion made by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Dozbaba, the Board voted to approve the High School Eligibility recommendations, effective for 2006-2007 school year.

Plant and Equipment

Upon a motion made by Mr. Behre, seconded by Mr. Heath, the Board voted to accept the following donations:

School	Item	Value	Donated By
UES	Room Banners	\$2620.00	HSA
UES	Bulletin Boards, Book Racks & Ellison Materials	\$1965.68	HSA

Board Discussion

The Board agreed to send a thank you letter to HAS.

Mrs. Elefante asked about advertising committee meetings.

Mr. Nally commented on the reading and mathematics presentation and asked if Power Presentations could be posted on the website.

The School Board agreed to begin future meetings at 6:30 pm.

Liaison Report

Mr. Heath reported on activities at the Intermediate Units.

Mrs. O'Brien reported on the Middle Bucks Institute of Technology.

Mr. Fieber reported on the Community School.

Public Discussion

Karen Voorhees - question on timeline for budget meetings.

Yona Rose - commented on the Artist in Residence Program.

Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Mr. Behre, seconded by Mr. Heath, the Board of School Directors voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Hogg, Director of Business and Finance
Board Secretary