

**Board of School Directors Meeting
NEW HOPE-SOLEBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT
180 West Bridge Street
New Hope, Pennsylvania**

**October 13, 2008
6:30 PM – District Conference Room**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. APPOINT SECRETARY PRO-TEM

It is recommended that the Board of School Directors appoint David Hansel as Secretary Pro-Tem for this October 13, 2008 meeting.

V. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES (* Denotes Enclosure)

It is recommended that the Board of School approve the minutes of the September 15, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors. *

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion/Information Items

- Student Representatives Report – Elizabeth Rowland, Serra Trinh
- Presentation by Fire Planning Associates * – Mr. Dave Hansel
- Board Committee Reports
 - Communications Committee – Mrs. Genevieve Wahlgren
 - Facilities Committee – Mr. William Behre
 - Finance Committee – Mr. Christopher Nally
 - Policy Committee – Ms. Megan O'Brien
 - Student Activities Committee – Mr. S. David Dozbaba
- Board Follow Up – Mrs. Amanda Elefante
- Cooperative Education-Direct Occupation Program Update * – Dr. Stephen Young, Mrs. Betty Ohanian

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Information Items

- School Resource Officer & Evening Security – Mr. David Hansel, Mr. David Dozbaba, Dr. Raymond Boccuti; Dr. Stephen Young; Ms. Joyce Mundy; Ms. Amy Mangano
- Administrative Guidelines – Mr. William Behre

Public Discussion (Action Items Only)

Action Items

A. Finance

1. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve and ratify the following list of bills totaling \$970,936.42. *

2008-2009 Capital Reserve Checks Between Meetings for Ratification
Check Number – 1001110
Totaling - \$55,889.10

2008-2009 Capital Reserve Checks for Approval
Check Numbers – 1001111 to 1001112
Totaling - \$35,856.97

2008-2009 Checks Between Meetings for Ratification
Check Numbers – 10023169 to 10023188
Totaling - \$34,810.82

2008-2009 Checks for Approval
Check Numbers – 10023189 to 10023438
Totaling - \$844,379.53

2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the attached budgetary transfers for the 2008-2009 fiscal year and that they be made part of the permanent minute book. *
3. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors accept the PDE Accountability Block Grant in Science and Technology for 2008-2009 in the amount of \$37,650. *

4. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve a lease agreement with Apple Inc. for the period of October 2008 through October 2010 and authorize the administration to sign the contract. *
5. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors authorize administration to contract with a transportation consultant at a fee not to exceed \$14,000 to assist the district in reviewing current costs and contract strategy. *

B. Personnel

1. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors accept the following resignations:
 - Frank DeVries, Custodian, effective September 15, 2008.
 - William McConnell, Custodian, effective September 24, 2008.
 - Colleen Larkin, French Teacher, effective September 23, 2008.
 - Mattie Turner, Instructional Assistant, effective October 17, 2008.
2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the following requests:
 - Kristin Vath, High School French Teacher, to extend her child rearing leave through the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year.
 - Kerilyn Walker, High School Health/Physical Education Teacher, for child rearing leave beginning approximately December 5, 2008 through the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year.
3. As provided for in Article 14 – Uncompensated Leave in the Local 180 collective bargaining unit agreement, the Superintendent recommends that the Board of School Directors approve an uncompensated leave request from Bernadette McHugh beginning November 1, 2008 through May 31, 2009. It is further understood that this recommendation shall not establish a past practice or precedent, as well as being understood that there will be no recommendation to extend this leave beyond May 31, 2009. *
4. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors ratify/appoint the following individuals, contingent upon meeting all requirements of law and district policy:

Name	Classification	Employee Replaced/Reason	Effective Date	Salary	Benefits
Melissa Gonzales	Elementary Teacher, 2 nd Grade, LES	Rita Rotten – Retirement	9/22/08	\$50,771, M, Step 1 (prorated)	Yes
Maria Tzemintimpi	.5 French Teacher, – Middle School	Resignation - Larkin	TBD	\$52,945, M+24, Step 1 (prorated)	Yes
Ira Levine	Custodian LTS to Permanent	Resignation – DeVries	9/29/08	\$14.36/hour Year 0	Yes
Donna Garcia	4 Hour Instructional Assistant, LES	New Position	10/06/08 – 6/17/08	\$8,964, Year 0 (prorated)	No

Eileen Kulikowski	4-Hour Instructional Assistant, LES	New Position	10/06/08 – 6/17/08	\$8,964, Year 0 (prorated)	No
Margaret Park	4-Hour Non-Instructional Assistant, UES	New Position	9/18/08	\$8,942, Year 0 (prorated)	No
Ligia Lopez-Proatdesaba	4-Hour Non-Instructional Assistant, UES	New Position	10/06/08	\$8,942, Year 0 (prorated)	No
Howard Strickland-Peters	Café Worker	Rescind Resignation	9/22/08	\$9.38/hour Year 0	No

5. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the following per diem substitutes for the 2008-2009 school year:

Certified Teachers:

Kimberly Gallagher
 Carolyn Bierlin
 Angela Hughes

Custodian

Robert Allen

6. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors rescind/approve the following EDR contracts for the 2008-2009 school year:

<u>Mentors</u>	<u>New Teacher</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Tara Derenick	Vanessa Yeomans	\$615
Scott Seiple	Maria Barnett	\$615
Andrea Huffman	Jenna Ellsworth	\$615
Tara Derenick	Betty Ohlanian	\$615
Glenn Preiss	Terry Sphar	\$615
David Bachart	Paul DiRenzo	\$615
Christine St. John	Maria Tzemintimpi	\$615
Odile Ogonowski	Denise Jaeger	\$615
Chris Cortellessa	Christyn Golden	\$615
Karen Silberman	Jennifer Pavlick	\$615
Jennifer Wind	Katherine Kuehne	\$615
Craig Smith	Elizabeth Halsey	\$615
Lori Soriano	Tara Derenick	\$615
<u>Curriculum Liaisons</u>		
William Snyder	LES	\$1933
Stephanie Marone	UES	\$1933
Christina Cortellessa	Special Areas	\$1933
Kimberly Smith	MS Lang Arts/SS	\$1933
Thomas McLaughlin	Technology	\$1933
<u>Technology Support</u>		
Thomas Marrone	LES	\$1645
Jennifer Johnston	UES	\$1645
Craig Smith	MS	\$1645
Drew Giorgi	HS	\$1645

Webmasters

Thomas Marrone	LES	\$825
Mark Mannion	UES	\$825
Craig Smith	MS	\$825
Thomas McLaughlin	HS	\$825

Title I Coordinator

Nancy Rachlin	LES	\$2303
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Name	Position	Stipend
<u>Middle School</u>		
Mike Kephart	Stage Manager MS	\$578
Betsy Halsey	Odyssey of the Mind	\$1062
Monika Stern	1:1 Assistant/Track&Field	\$11.43/hour

Athletics**C. Policy & Program**

1. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors ratify acceptance of a gift of \$2000 from Mr. & Mrs. John High and his employer, Chubb and Son, and that the funds be expended as per the attached letter request. *
2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors adopt the following new/revised policies: *
 - 324 – Personnel Files (revised)
 - 424 – Personnel Files (revised)
 - 524 – Personnel Files (revised)
 - 814 – Copyright Material (new)
3. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve varsity competition for the football club beginning the 2009-2010 school year. *
4. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the attached request which proposes using available funds for EDRs not currently running in the Middle and High Schools (\$5113), and utilizing those funds to run several new EDRs (UES Peer Mediation; MS TAG and Art Club - \$2777) for the 2008-2009 school year only. This will not increase the amount of the EDR budget and the SAC Committee will make recommendations prior to finalizing next year's budget on prioritizing MS EDR choices. *
5. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the establishment of an Animal Rights Club at the high school on a probationary basis. The purpose of the club is to educate members and others on the issues surrounding animal rights. The club will be open to all interested students and will be monitored by a faculty advisor.

D. Plant & Equipment

XI. BOARD DISCUSSION

- SEPAC District Committee

X. LIAISON

- A. Bucks County Intermediate Unit – Mr. Robert Heath, Jr.
- B. MBIT Report – Mr. Laurence R. Fieber/Mrs. Genevieve F. Wahlgren
- C. NHS Education Foundation – Mr. Laurence R. Fieber

XI. PUBLIC DISCUSSION (All Topics)

XII. ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Facilities Committee	Tuesday, October 14, 2008 6:00 PM – District Conference Room
Communications Committee	Tuesday, October 14, 2008 7:30 PM – District Conference Room
Policy Committee	Thursday, October 23, 2008 3:30 PM – District Conference Room
Student Activities Committee	Friday, October 24, 2008 7:00 AM – District Conference Room
Finance Committee	Monday, October 27, 2008 5:00 PM – District Conference Room
Board of School Directors Regular Meeting	Monday, November 17, 2008 6:30 PM – District Conference Room

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Intelligencer Article “An Alternative Path to a Successful Career”
- PDE Letter Acceptance of Student Services Report
- Enrollment Figures – October, 2008