

**Board of School Directors Meeting  
NEW HOPE-SOLEBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
180 West Bridge Street  
New Hope, PA 18938**

**December 21, 2015  
6:30 PM – District Office Conference Room**

*Per Policy 006.2 all Board of School Directors meetings are audio recorded.*

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

**IV. APPROVE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA**

**V. STUDENT REPORTS**

- UES Report – Payton Taylor, Leo Fowler
- MS Report – Tara Coonet, Juliana Toohey
- HS Report – Hannah Singer, Briana McGarry

**VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

**VII. BOARD COMMITTEES/CHAIRS/LIAISONS 2016**

1. It is recommended the Board of School Directors approve the following committees/chairs and representative/liaison appointments for 2016:

**Committees/Chairs 2016**

- Curriculum Advisory Committee  
Chair: Mrs. Keyes  
Member: Mrs. Deussing
  
- Facilities Committee  
Chair: Mr. Capriotti  
Members: Mr. Dougherty, Mrs. Povacz

- Finance Committee  
Chair: Mrs. Povacz  
Members: Mr. Capriotti, Mr. Dougherty
- Policy/Human Resources Committee  
Chair: Mr. McDonough  
Assistant Chair: Mrs. Deussing
- Special Education Committee  
Chair: Mrs. Gormley
- Student Athletics/Activities Committee  
Chair: Mrs. Weisbrot  
Member: Mr. Capriotti, Mrs. Gormley

**Representative/Liaison Appointments 2016**

- Appoint Mrs. Weisbrot as representative to the Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22.
  - Appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as representative to the Middle Bucks Institute of Technology.
  - Appoint Mr. Cowell as liaison to the Pennsylvania Schools Boards Association.
2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors reappoint all committee members to the following committees: Curriculum Advisory Committee, Facilities Committee, Policy Committee, and Special Education Committee.

**VIII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Board Committee Reports
  - Community Engagement Committee – No report.
  - Curriculum Advisory Committee – No report.
  - Facilities Committee – No report.
  - Finance Committee – Mr. Cowell
  - Policy Committee – No report.
  - Special Education Committee – No report.
- Board Liaison Reports
  - Bucks County Intermediate Unit – No report.
  - MBIT – No report.
  - PSBA Liaison – No report.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion/Information Item**

- Auditors' Report June 30, 2015 – Mr. Bill Hamilton, Ms. Karianne Tomosky – Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C.
- 2016-2017 Preliminary Budget Presentation – Dr. Yanni, Mr. Lechman

**Board Discussion (Agenda Items Only)**

**Public Comment (Agenda Items Only)**

**Action Items**

**A. Review and Approval of Minutes**

1. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the November 16, 2015 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors. \*
2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the December 7, 2015 Minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of the Board of School Directors.\*

**B. Finance**

1. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the Proposed Preliminary Budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year as presented in the form attached. \*
2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the attached Resolution Authorizing Proposed 2016-2017 Preliminary Budget Display and Advertising. \*
3. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors accept the Auditors' Report for the year ended June 30, 2015. \*
4. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the investment of bond proceeds per the investment schedule provided by Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT). \*
5. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the Treasurer's Reports for October, 2015. \*
6. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve and ratify the following list of bills totaling \$717,907.80. \*

2015-2016 Capital Projects Checks Between Meetings for Ratification  
Check Numbers – 301027 to 301029  
Totaling - \$5,640.00

2015-2016 General Fund Checks Between Meetings for Ratification  
Check Numbers – 10043284 to 10043292  
Totaling - \$33,064.25

2015-2016 Capital Projects Checks for Approval  
Check Numbers – 301030 to 301035  
Totaling - \$158,518.33

2015-2016 Officials Checks for Approval  
Check Numbers – 10043293 to 10043340  
Totaling – \$4,799.50

2015-2016 General Fund Checks for Approval  
Check Numbers – 10043341 to 10043522  
Totaling - \$515,885.72

7. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the following budgetary transfers for the 2015-2016 fiscal year:

Transfer from: Public Relations 10-2370-00-00-00-000-6-630 Food  
 Transfer to: School Board 10-2310-00-00-00-000-7-630 Food  
 Amount: \$500  
 Reason: To Cover Food For Executive Sessions/Board Meetings

8. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the IDEA-B Section 619 Use of Funds Agreement for 2015-2016, PDE Award Number H173A150090, Allocation \$576.00. \*

9. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve an Educational Services Agreement in the form presented to the Board for Student No. 1123452776 for 2015-2016 school year in an amount not to exceed \$25,800 and for the 2016-2017 school year in an amount not to exceed \$27,000 and attorney’s fees not to exceed \$4,000.

**C. Personnel**

1. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors ratify/approve the following personnel actions, contingent upon meeting all requirements of law and district policy:

| RESIGNATION      | POSITION         | EFFECTIVE DATE |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Altomare, Sheila | Substitute Nurse | 12/1/15        |

| LEAVES               | POSITION                                   | EFFECTIVE DATE                          |
|----------------------|--|---|
| McGinniss, Katherine | Guidance Counselor<br>UES                  | <b>Anticipated:</b><br>12/15/15-5/13/16 |
| Arslanian, George    | Groundskeeper<br>Operations Department     | <b>Anticipated</b><br>1/27/16-2/29/16   |
| Wisniewski, Nancy    | Special Education<br>Teacher-Grade 7<br>MS | <b>Revised</b><br>10/30/15-1/27/16      |

| REASSIGNMENTS/<br>TRANSFERS   | FROM  | TO   | EFFECTIVE | SALARY                |
|-------------------------------|---|--|-----------|-----------------------|
| Kinker (Buckman),<br>Patricia | Part-time Cafeteria<br>Worker<br>5 hrs./day-5 days/wk.<br>LES | Part-time Cafeteria<br>Worker<br>5.75 hrs./day-5 days/wk.<br>UES | 1/19/16   | No Change             |
| Karidas, Maria                | Special Education<br>Teacher – Grade 7<br>MS<br>LTS           | Instructional Assistant<br>MS                                    | 12/8/15   | Returns to IA<br>Rate |

|                  |   |   |          |           |
|------------------|---|---|----------|-----------|
| Rosenthal, Tanya | Part-time Cafeteria Work<br>2.25 hrs./day<br>(Resignation-Voorhees) | Part-time Cafeteria Worker<br>3.25 hrs./day<br>(Resignation-Voorhees)<br>Corrects hours/day | 10/19/15 | No Change |
|------------------|---|---|----------|-----------|

| APPOINTMENTS     | POSITION   | REASON                            | EFFECTIVE                             | SALARY                               | BENEFITS |
|------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Seier, Stephen * | High School Principal<br>Act 93 Agreement              | Transfer-<br>Malone               | TBD                                   | \$127,500                            | Yes      |
| Stack, Kelly     | Guidance Counselor<br>UES<br>LTS                       | Leave-<br>McGinniss               | <b>Revised</b><br>12/7/15-<br>5/16/16 | No Change                            | Yes      |
| Genner, Nelianne | Special Education<br>Teacher – Grades 6/7<br>MS<br>LTS | Leave –<br>Wisniewski/<br>Morrash | 12/14/15-<br>6/15/16                  | \$57,942<br>(prorated)<br>M, Step 1  | Yes      |
| Donohue, Katelyn | Chemistry Teacher<br>HS<br>LTS                         | Leave –<br>Ryan                   | 12/1/15-TBD                           | \$47,664<br>(prorated)<br>B, Step 01 | No       |

2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approved the following EDR contracts for the 2015-2016 school year:

| <u>NAME</u>             | <u>EXTRA DUTY RESPONSIBILITY</u> | <u>STIPEND</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| <b><u>Athletics</u></b> |                                  |                |
| Bruce Liberatore        | Basketball 8th grade Boys        | \$1,783.00     |
| Val Maugle              | Track & Field JV Winter          | \$3,634.00     |
| Zeke Stambovsky         | Wrestling MS                     | \$1,783.00     |

**D. Policy & Program**

1. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the following Student Activity Proposal on a probationary one-year period with no stipend: Girls Forward Club. \*

2. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors adopt the following School Board Meeting Schedule for 2016:

Monday, January 25, 2016 (Preliminary Budget Adoption)  
Tuesday, February 16, 2016  
Monday, March 14, 2016  
Monday, April 18, 2016  
Monday, May 16, 2016 (Proposed Final Budget Adoption)  
Monday, June 6, 2016  
Monday, June 20, 2016 (Final Budget Adoption)  
No Meeting in July  
Monday, August 22, 2016  
Monday, September 19, 2016  
Monday, October 17, 2016  
Monday, November 14, 2016  
Monday, December 5, 2016 (Reorganization Meeting)  
Monday, December 19, 2016

X. **PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Agenda Items)**

XI. **BOARD DISCUSSION**

XII. **ADJOURNMENT**

**INFORMATION ITEMS** \*

- Enrollment Report, December 1, 2015