



# Steel Valley School District Board Brief

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**Board Meeting  
July 25, 2006**

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The Board acknowledged the passing of Mr. Dale "Red" Cannon, father-in-law of Beth Cannon, Vice President of the School Board and Mrs. Ann Hoteck, aunt of Joel Tatrai, high school custodian. It was moved by Mrs. Kubancsek and seconded by Mr. Ed McCallister to place books into the Steel Valley School District Libraries in their memory.

## **Solicitor\_s Report**

- The Board elected Dr. William H. Kinavey to the position of Superintendent of Schools for a term of three years.
- The Board adopted a resolution to authorize Legal Tax Service, Inc., to receive the information from the Pennsylvania Income Tax returns to update the taxpayer's database at the expense of Legal Tax Service, Inc.

## **Superintendent's Report**

- Dr. Kinavey announced that the Board will have hired 28 new faculty members to replace the 33 teachers who retired at the end of the 2005-2006 school year. The new teachers will participate in an extensive orientation for three days prior to the start of school.

## **Meeting Minutes**

- The Board approved the May 23 board meeting minutes and the June 13 worksession minutes.

## **Financial Management**

The Board approved the following financial items:

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| • General Fund invoices for June 2006 in the amount of    | \$377,651.42 |
| • General Fund hand checks for June 2006 in the amount of | \$568,897.20 |
| • General Fund invoices for 2005-2006 in the amount of    | \$41,979.56  |
| • General Fund invoices for July 2006 in the amount of    | \$186,034.52 |

- Payroll Funding Transfers for June 2006
- Revenue Report for May 2006
- Revenue Report for June 2006
- Expenditure Report for May 2006
- Expenditure Report for June 2006
- SV Foundation for Education Statement of Income and Expense
- Capital Improvements 2000-2001 Statement of Income and Expenses

• Custodial invoices in the amount of	\$1,206.11
• Band trip invoices in the amount of	\$3,450.00
• Hand checks/custodial in the amount of	\$9,980.33
• Athletic invoices/hand checks in the amount of	\$500.00
• Middle School/hand checks in the amount of	\$172.54

The Board approved the following items:

- The Board authorized Solicitor Donald Fetzko to retain a qualified and certified real estate appraiser and file an appeal on the district's behalf in the Guardian Self Storage property assessment matter
- The Board approved the use of Solicitor Donald Fetzko to manage all in-house legal work and tax work for the school district

## **Operations**

The Board approved the following:

- Facility rental requests as presented
- Fundraising requests as presented
- Payment of \$12,280.50 to Right Electric, Inc., for their Payment Application Number 2 on the High School Auditorium Renovation Project
- Payment to FranJo Construction in the amount of \$14,400 as presented on their progress billing for the High School Auditorium Renovation Project identified as Payment Application Number 1
- Declared the Barrett modules obsolete, approved their abandonment and authorized the administration to make preparations for their removal
- Accepted the proposal for demolition and removal of the Barrett modular classrooms from Kees Waterproofing Systems of Munhall, PA, in the amount of \$6,875 less 100% of the recycling proceeds from the 2005 Capital Projects fund
- Authorized the Business Office to advertise for competitive bids for asphalt paving of the Barrett Elementary School playground and the handicapped parking area at Campbell Field
- Purchased the POS Software for the Steel Valley School District Cafeteria Department as submitted by FSS, Inc., of Altoona, PA, at the PEPPM pricing of \$17,095.00 to be paid from the School District Cafeteria Fund

## **Co-Curricular Leadership**

Mrs. Cannon congratulated Varsity Baseball Coach Ryan Ellis on his appointment to a coaching position with the Norfolk Tides, the New York Mets' Class AAA affiliate. Hopefully, Coach Ellis will be able to continue his high school coaching position at Steel Valley.

## **Educational Leadership**

The Board approved the following:

- Elementary Parent/Student Handbook for the 2006-2007 school year
- Senior High School Faculty and Student Handbooks for the 2006-2007 school year
- Disposal of unused textbooks at the Senior High School as listed
- Middle School Student Handbook for the 2006-2007 school year

## **Personnel Management**

The Board approved the following Personnel items :

- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Todd Rasbach from the long-term substitute Social Studies position at the Middle School effective immediately
- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Christine Savko from the long-term substitute special education position effective immediately
- Accepted, with regret, the resignation of Lindsay Wilson from the position of Emotional Support teacher effective August 23, 2006
- Appointed Edward Colebank to the position of Director of Academics, Information & Technology at an annual salary of \$80,659 plus benefits according to the successor Administrative Act 93 Agreement effective immediately
- Appointed Christina Levkus to a permanent full-time position in Mathematics assigned to the Senior High School with salary and benefits based on 1st step Master's level effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Patrick Loughran to a permanent full-time position in Mathematics assigned to the Senior High School with salary and benefits based on 1st step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Barry Specter to a permanent full-time position as a CISCO instructor assigned to the Senior High School with salary and benefits based on 8th step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Danielle Rutkowski to a permanent full-time position in Special Education with salary and benefits based on 1st step Master's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Erin Cain to a permanent full-time position in Special Education with salary and benefits based on 2nd step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Stacey Overton to a long-term substitute position in Special Education with salary and benefits based on 1st step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Jessica Andzelik to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education assigned to Barrett Elementary School with salary and benefits based on 2nd step Master's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Beth Stasik-Catterall to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education assigned to Barrett Elementary School with salary and benefits based on 2nd step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Carrie Kasich to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education assigned to Barrett Elementary School with salary and benefits based on 2nd step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed John Strom to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education assigned to Barrett Elementary School with salary and benefits based on 2nd step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Amy Lambert Hogg to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education assigned to Barrett Elementary School with salary and benefits based on 2nd step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Bobbi Vargo to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education assigned to Barrett Elementary School with salary and benefits based on 8th step Master's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Appointed Scott Manns to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education assigned to

Barrett Elementary School with salary and benefits based on 2nd step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year

- Appointed Deirdre Kamauf to a permanent full-time position in Elementary Education with salary and benefits based on 1st step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year
- Created two new administrative positions of a Director of Elementary Education and a Director of Secondary Education, approved the job descriptions and authorized the Superintendent to post the positions
- Appointed Erin Cummings to the position of Summer Tutor at a rate of \$25 per hour and Sherri Titmus to the position of Substitute Summer Tutoring Aide at a rate of \$10 per hour effective June 19 through July 27, 2006
- Appointed Sharon Ellis to the supplemental position of Fine Arts Department Head effective with the 2006-2007 school year at a stipend of \$1,979.06
- Appointed the sports and activity supplemental positions and approved volunteers as listed for the fall 2006 season, contingent upon receipt of current clearances for Ms. Knudsen and Ms. Hamilin
- Unpaid leave of absence for Dan Lesko, special education aide at Park Elementary School, beginning August 24 through September 6, 2006
- Barbara Miller as a substitute custodian
- Corrected 2006-2007 salary increase and annual salary for Dianne Cornetta, confidential secretary, as presented
- Denied Grievance #6-6-06 no violation of the collective bargaining agreement
- Denied Grievance #6-13-06-2 no violation of the collective bargaining agreement
- Denied Grievance #6-13-06-3 no violation of the collective bargaining agreement
- Approved Dan Bugel as a substitute elementary guidance counselor at a cost of \$225 per day for the duration of Mrs. Chalus' family medical leave not to exceed 12 weeks in duration
- Appointed Jonathan Edwards as a long-term substitute in Social Studies with salary and benefits based on 1st step Bachelor's salary effective the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year