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## Steel Valley School District Board Brief

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**Board Meeting  
July 26, 2011**

The Board acknowledged the passing of Darnell Roebuck, former English teacher at Homestead Middle School and Steel Valley High School; Carol L. Staudt, wife of Paul Staudt, Munhall crossing guard and grandmother of Travis Staudt, substitute custodian; Dr. Thomas Knight, Superintendent of the Bethel Park School District; and Rita Stasik, grandmother of Beth and Jeff Catterall, elementary and high school teachers. It was moved by Mr. Natale and seconded by Mr. Olson to place an appropriate selection of books into the Steel Valley School District Libraries in their memory.

### **Vice President's Comments**

Dr. Taunya Tinsley of Academics in Motion presented an opportunity to partner with the school district by providing a liaison between the coaches, administrators, teachers, counselors and the student athletes. This development coach would provide extra support before/after school, during study periods, and collaborate with existing programs. He/she would also help athletes to develop their self-esteem and increase academic scores.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Kinavey announced that the assignment letters would be sent to the teachers this week. The staff is getting the buildings ready for the start of school. Next month's board meetings will be held on August 9 and 16..

### **Director of Pupil Personnel, Special Services and Elementary Education**

Mrs. Borges announced the elementary schools would hold their annual Meet the Staff and Principal Nights as follows:

August 15	Franklin Primary Center 6:00 p.m.
August 17	Barrett and Park Elementary Schools 6:00 p.m.

### **Director of Academics, Information & Technology Report**

Mr. Colebank announced that the Meet the Staff and Principal Nights would be held at the Middle School on August 16 and August 18 at the Senior High School. Both begin at 6:00 p.m. He also announced that on August 12, an AlertNow message would be sent to high school students regarding their schedules.

Since the districtwide calendar will not be printed this year, the district will be using EdLine to announce all upcoming events and activities as well as student exam schedules. Each Sunday evening parents will receive an AlertNow about the upcoming week's activities in the district.

## **Meeting Minutes**

The Board approved the meeting minutes of:

June 21, 2011 worksession  
June 28, 2011 regular meeting

### **Financial Management**

The Board approved the following financial items:

- General Fund hand checks for June 2011 in the amount of \$501,361.73
- Payroll Funding Transfers for June 2011
- Capital Projects 2005 Statement of Income and Expense for the month ending June 30, 2011
- Foundation for Education Technology Account Statement of Income and Expense for the month ending June 30, 2011
- Custodial hand checks in the amount of \$6,244.37
- Athletic hand checks in the amount of \$144.34
- Middle School hand checks in the amount of \$294.60

### **Operations**

The Board approved the following items:

- Facility rental requests as presented.
- Software Maintenance Agreement with ProSoft Technologies, Inc., for the period July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012

### **Co-Curricular Leadership**

The Board approved the following items:

- Fundraising requests as presented
- Agreement between the district and the Mid-Atlantic Dairy Association, Inc., effective June 28, 2011, through June 13, 2016

### **Educational Leadership**

The Board approved the following:

- Accepted the donation of 15 new TI-84 graphing calculators and batteries to the high school math department valued at approximately \$1,600
- Middle school and high school faculty handbooks for the 2011-2012 school year
- Secondary student handbook for the 2011-2012 school year
- Getting Results Plan for Barrett Elementary School for the 2011-2012 school year
- Getting Results Plan for the High School for the 2011-2012 school year
- 12th grade Steel Valley student for early admission to college in lieu of the senior year in high school according to the requirements of Policy No. 239

## Personnel Management

The Board approved the following items:

- Furloughed Barry Specter from a full-time position effective for the 2011-2012 school year
- Re-instated a Biology position at the Senior High School for the 2011-2012 school year
- Re-instated a part-time districtwide art position for the 2011-2012 school year
- Re-instated a part-time elementary counselor position effective for the 2011-2012 school year
- Created two districtwide special education positions for the 2011-2012 school year
- Recalled from the furlough list Michael Hofbauer to a full-time position, Amanda Linder to a part-time position, Beth Catterall to a full-time position, and Brandi Chalus to a part-time position effective for the 2011-2012 school year
- Eliminated the position of High School Principal effective August 1, 2011
- Created the position of Director of Federal Programs/High School Principal and approved the new job description effective August 1, 2011
- Appointed Bryan Macuga to the position of Director of Federal Programs/High School Principal effective August 1, 2011, at a salary of \$72,500
- Mary Ellen Totin to a long-term substitute districtwide school nurse position for the 2011-2012 school year
- Denied grievance #10-210 from the Steel Valley Education Association due to no violation of the collective bargaining agreement as alleged
- Accepted resignation of Sara Sullivan from her position as middle school girls\_ basketball coach
- Carol Sekura as the District Web Site Manager for the 2011-2012 school year at the supplemental rate of \$2,122.56.
- Re-instated seven (7) paraprofessional positions at part time and recalled seven (7) paraprofessionals from the furlough list for the 2011-2012 school year.