



Steel Valley School District Board Brief

**Board Meeting
July 24, 2012**

The Board acknowledged the passing of Nancy T. Panaia-Siyufy, mother of Joe Panaia, Park School custodian; Leatrice Totin, aunt of Mary Ellen Totin, school nurse; Stephen Babush Jr., uncle of Mary Ellen Totin, school nurse; and William Watkins, brother-in-law of Kim Watkins, secretary to the superintendent. It was moved by Mr. Natale and seconded by Mr. Ducar and seconded by Mrs. Kiefer to place an appropriate selection of books into the Steel Valley School District Libraries in their memory.

Board President's Report

The Board adopted a resolution honoring Dr. William Kinavey as a Distinguished Administrator for his special concern and strong commitment to the people and students of the Steel Valley School District. Board President Beth Cannon presented Dr. Kinavey with the Distinguished Administrator plaque in recognition of his distinguished service. A shelf of books will also be placed into the Senior High School Library in his honor.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Wehrer announced the Meet the Principal Nights in each of the school buildings as follows:

Monday, August 13	Franklin Primary Center 6:00 pm
Tuesday, August 14	Middle School 6:00 pm
Wednesday, August 15	Barrett Elementary School 5:30 pm
Wednesday, August 15	Park Elementary School 6:00 pm
Thursday, August 16	Senior High School 6:00 pm

He reported that the KtO team was commended for its planning, preparation and commitment to the Keystone to Opportunity Grant (KtO) during the recent site evaluation. Co-leaders of the KtO team are Jodi Geyer and Ed Colebank.

Mr. Wehrer reported that the Summer Reading camp held at Barrett Elementary School was well received by the students and parents. He commended the staff for their hard work and dedication.

Director of Pupil Personnel, Special Services and Elementary Education

Mrs. Borges reported that the elementary Meet the Staff Nights would be held the week of August 13. The Extended School Year program will finish up Thursday.

Director of Academics, Information & Technology

Mr. Colebank reported that the KtO Summer Reading Program at Barrett ran very smoothly. The students were engaged in the activities and introduced to new software.

Mr. Ducar presented the new iPads being used by the autistic students. Mr. Campbell donated the funds to purchase 25 iPads, and Apple Inc. provided free downloads.

Solicitor's Report

The Board adopted the resolution authorizing the proper officers to execute a Contract of Employment with Edward Wehrer as District Superintendent for a term of three years commencing on July 25, 2012.

Financial Management

The Board approved the following financial items:

- General Fund invoices for 2011-2012 in the amount of \$362,264.18
- General Fund invoices for July 2012 in the amount of \$64,212.77
- General Fund hand checks for June 2012 in the amount of \$522,728.76
- Payroll Funding Transfers for June 2012
- Food Service invoices for July 2012 in the amount of \$625.00
- Capital Projects 2005 Statement of Income and Expense for month ending June 30, 2012
- Foundation for Education Technology Statement of Income and Expense for month ending June 30, 2012

Operations

The Board approved the facility rental requests as presented.

Co-Curricular Leadership

The Board approved the fundraising requests as presented.

Special Assignments

The Board approved the following items:

- Southeastern Area Special School and Steel Center Area Vocational Technical School Administrative Budgets for the 2012 - 2013 school year
- Held a first reading of new Policy No. 123.1 Concussion Management

Educational Leadership

The Board approved the following items:

- Secondary Student Handbook, Middle School Faculty Handbook and the High School Faculty Handbook for the 2012-2013 school year
- Revised the 2012-2013 school calendar to add August 31 and October 25, 2012, as districtwide Act 80 days for professional development as required by the Keystone to Opportunity grant

Personnel Management

The Board approved the following items:

- Eliminated the position of Park Principal/Director of Pupil Personnel, Special Services and Elementary Education
- Eliminated the position of Barrett Elementary/Franklin Primary Center Elementary Principal
- Created the position of Park Elementary/Franklin Primary Center Elementary Principal effective with the 2012-2013 school year
- Created the position of Elementary Principal at the Barrett Elementary School effective with the 2012-2013 school year
- Created the position of Director of Pupil Personnel, Special Services and Elementary Education

- effective with the 2012-2013 school year
- Appointed Sharon Fisher to the position of Elementary Principal at Barrett Elementary School effective with the 2012-2013 school year
 - Appointed Diana Borges to the position of Director of Pupil Personnel, Special Services and Elementary Education effective with the 2012-2013 school year
 - Eliminated the position of Secondary Assistant Principal effective with the 2012-2013 school year
 - Created the position of Middle School Assistant Principal effective with the 2012-2013 school year
 - Created the position of High School Assistant Principal effective with the 2012-2013 school year
 - Appointed Scott Meade to the position of High School Assistant Principal effective with the 2012-2013 school year
 - Created a half-time Districtwide Speech and Language Support position effective with the 2012-2013 school year
 - Rescinded the elimination of one (1) special education professional position for the 2012-2013 school year
 - Recalled Maureen Revetta to a half-time speech and language support position for the 2012-2013 school year
 - Recalled Jonette Bost to an elementary teaching position effective with the 2012-2013 school term
 - Family medical leave of absence for Debra Wright from September 18, 2012, through January 2, 2013, not to exceed 60 days in duration
 - Settled SVEA Grievance #12-223 based upon previous Board action above
 - Denied Grievance #12-225 due to no violation of the collective bargaining agreement as alleged
 - Denied Grievance #12-226 due to no violation of the collective bargaining agreement as alleged