

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2010

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Big Spring High School Large Group Room, Room 140, at 7:55 P.M. with President Wilbur Wolf, Jr., presiding. Eight (8) directors present: Wilbur Wolf, Jr., President; William Swanson, Vice President; Robert Lee Barrick, Secretary; Kingsley Blasco; Tarin Houpt; Richard Norris; William Piper; and Richard Roush.

Terry Lopp, Treasurer, was absent.

Others in attendance: Richard Fry, Superintendent; Jeanne Temple, Assistant Superintendent; Kevin Roberts, Director of Curriculum/Instruction and Educational Technology; Richard E. Kerr, Jr., Business Manager; Denny Clopper, The Valley Times-Star; and Brenda Line, Board Minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Wolf announced that the Board met in Executive Session from 6:30 to 7:29 P.M. to address negotiations issues.

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

President Wolf led all individuals present in the Pledge to the Flag.

III. PRAYER

Director Piper offered a prayer.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 7, 2010 BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES; THE JUNE 7, 2010 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES; AND THE JUNE 7, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Norris, seconded by Blasco for approval of the June 7, 2010 Buildings and Property Committee Meeting Minutes; the June 7, 2010 Committee of the Whole of the Board Meeting Minutes; and the June 7, 2010 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

V. STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION AND BOARD REPORTS

A. Recognition of Vocational-Technical School Students of the Quarter

Mr. Steven Smith, high school principal, recognized those high school students who have earned Vocational-Technical School Student of the Quarter honors:

*Adam L. Brossman	Automotive Technology	Grade 10
*Brock D. Bull	Logistics and Warehouse Management	Grade 10
*Kody L. Richmond	Carpentry	Grade 10
*Kristen E. Day	Cosmetology	Grade 11
*Brian Murray	Masonry	Grade 11
Erik Schall	Computer Information System	Grade 11
Briana White	Health Occupations	Grade 11
Travis Jumper	Automotive Collision Technology	Grade 12
Thomas Woodrey	Electrical Construction & Maintenance	Grade 12

*Signifies those students in attendance.

Mr. Smith congratulated the students and presented them with certificates of achievement.

President Wolf and Vice President Swanson congratulated the students and presented them with Big Spring School District Excellence in Education award pens.

B. Recognition of Academic Achievement Awards for the Fourth Quarter

Mr. Steven Smith recognized those students who have earned the academic achievement award for the fourth quarter for the 2009-2010 school year.

*Grade 9	Jaime Boudier	98.1
*Grade 10	Michelle Sheeler	98.3
*Grade 11	Lauren Hurley	100.0
*Grade 12	Kathleen Woods	101.0

Mr. Smith congratulated the students and presented them with certificates of achievement.

President Wolf and Vice President Swanson congratulated the students and presented them with Big Spring School District Excellence in Education award pens.

Mr. Fry thanked the students and their families for attending this evening's meeting to be recognized by the members of the Board of School Directors.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report is presented at the second Board meeting each month.

The Treasurer's Report showed a General Fund ending cash and investment balance of \$6,261,710.42 as of May 31, 2010; an Athletic Fund balance of \$666.48 as of May 31, 2010; a Cafeteria Fund balance of \$137,076.10 as of May 31, 2010; Capital Reserve Fund investment balance of \$66,690.78 as of May 31, 2010; and a Student Activity/Miscellaneous Fund cash balance of \$154,242.81 as of May 31, 2010.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris for acceptance of the Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. PAYMENT OF BILLS

General Fund Account Payment of Bills; Central Treasury Athletic, Cafeteria, and Student Activity/Miscellaneous Account Payment of Bills; and Newville Project Payment of Bills

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris for approval of General Fund Account checks #58288-58458 totaling \$333,585.32; Central Treasury Athletic Account checks #4647-4651 totaling \$2,580.31, Central Treasury Cafeteria Account checks #5248-5264 totaling \$105,956.99, and Central Treasury Student Activity/Miscellaneous Account checks #12139-12161 totaling \$10,663.28; and Newville Project Account checks #114-119 totaling \$164,971.68. Grand total General Fund, Athletic, Cafeteria, Student Activity/Miscellaneous, and Newville Project: \$617,757.58. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

There was no reading of correspondence.

IX. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Jaime Boudier, Jeff Boudier, Lisa Boudier, Adam Brossman, Brock Bull, Felicia Burgett, Gordon Burgett, Douglas Day, Krista Day, Kristen Day, Christine Gamble, Lauren Hurley, Terry Hurley, Trent Hurley, April Messenger, Brian Murray, Missy Orner, Doug Pegan, Jill Richmond, Kody Richmond, Tiffanie Roher, Michelle Sheeler, Sam Sheeler, Sue Sheeler, Kathleen Woods, and Kerry Woods,

X. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment was offered.

XI. STRUCTURED PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No structured public comment was offered.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

**(NOTE: The Board addressed
XIII., NEW BUSINESS, A., PERSONNEL CONCERNS, Items A-1 through A-12,
following Item A-12.)**

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. PERSONNEL CONCERNS

1. Additional Per Diem Substitute Teacher

(ACTION ITEM)

Jennifer Ross – Elementary Education/Middle Level Math

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the addition of Jennifer Ross to the 2010-2011 per diem substitute teacher list as presented.

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

A. PERSONNEL CONCERNS (Continued)

2. Transfer of Professional Personnel **(ACTION ITEM)**

As per Board Policies 3850.0-3850.4, the administration will transfer the professional employees whose names are listed below for the 2010-2011 school year.

Employee	From	To
Suzanne Brazeau	Oak Flat Third Grade	Newville Third Grade
Jennifer Roberts	Full-Time Title I Reading Teacher	Part-Time Title I Reading Teacher

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the professional employees transfers as presented.

3. Curriculum Center Student Worker **(ACTION ITEM)**

Miss Megan Kuntz

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve Miss Megan Kuntz to assist in the Curriculum Department during the summer of 2009-2010.

(ACTION ITEM)

4. Marsha Stellfox Emotional Support Teacher at the Middle School replacing Mrs. Heather Hess, who has resigned
Enola, PA 17025

Education:

Lock Haven University (Bachelor's Degree Education)
Bloomsburg University
Shippensburg University (Master's of Education)

Experience:

Halifax School District – Learning Support Teacher

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors appoint Mrs. Stellfox to serve as an Emotional Support Teacher at the Middle School, replacing Mrs. Hess who has resigned, beginning with the 2010-2011 school year. Mrs. Stellfox's compensation for this position should be established at Master's Degree Step 7, \$52,329.00, plus a \$400.00 special education stipend based on the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District.

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

A. PERSONNEL CONCERNS (Continued)

5. **Mr. Seth Cornman** submitted his letter of resignation as PC Technician, retroactive to Friday, June 11, 2010. **(ACTION ITEM)**

A copy of Mr. Cornman's letter was included with the agenda.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors accept Mr. Cornman's resignation as PC Technician, retroactive to June 11, 2010.

(ACTION ITEM)

6. **Mrs. Jessica Carr** submitted her letter of resignation as a middle school seventh grade reading teacher, effective immediately.

A copy of Mrs. Carr's letter was included with the agenda.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors accept Mrs. Carr's resignation as Middle School Seventh Grade Reading Teacher, effective immediately.

7. **Coaching Appointments** **(ACTION ITEM)**

Mr. Jay Hockenbroch recommended the individuals listed to serve as coaches during the 2010-2011 school year.

Michael Berry	Assistant Varsity Football Coach
Jesse Killinger	Assistant Varsity Football Coach
Brian Rohm	Junior High Football Coach
Kelly Chamberlin	Assistant Field Hockey Coach
Justine Sieg	Volunteer Field Hockey Coach
Lauren Swigart	Junior High Girl's Basketball Coach

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors appoint the above listed individuals to coach during the 2010-2011 school year and establish their salaries based on the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District, pending all required paperwork.

8. **Mrs. Bonnie Myers** submitted her letter of resignation as assistant middle school cheerleading coach, effectively immediately. **(ACTION ITEM)**

A copy of Mrs. Myers' letter was included with the agenda.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors accept Mrs. Myers' resignation as assistant middle school cheerleading coach, effective immediately.

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

A. PERSONNEL CONCERNS (Continued)

(ACTION ITEM)

- 9. Mrs. Dolores Shank** submitted her letter of resignation as middle school girls' basketball coach, effective immediately.

A copy of Mrs. Shank's letter was included with the agenda.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors accept Mrs. Shank's resignation as middle school girls' basketball coach, effective immediately.

- 10. Mr. Les Stover** submitted his letter of resignation as head varsity track and field coach, effective immediately.

A copy of Mr. Stover's letter was included with the agenda.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors accept Mr. Stover's resignation as head varsity track and field coach, effective immediately.

- 11. Approval of Child-Rearing Leave for Lindsay Graham**

(ACTION ITEM)

Mrs. Lindsay Graham, kindergarten teacher at Mount Rock Elementary School, requested leave of absence under the Family & Medical Leave Act from approximately September 7, 2010 through November 2, 2010. According to Section 3.08 of the contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the District, a professional employee may request up to one year of child-rearing leave upon the birth of a child. In addition to the duration of the leave period, her request meets all provisions for a child-rearing leave according to the current contract.

A copy of Mrs. Graham's letter was included with the agenda.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve Mrs. Lindsay Graham's request for leave under the Family & Medical Leave Act and a child-rearing leave of absence from approximately September 7, 2010 through November 2, 2010 according to the terms of the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District.

- 12. Transfer of Professional Personnel**

(ACTION ITEM)

As per Board Policies 3850.0-3850.4, the administration will transfer the professional employee whose name is listed below for the 2010-2011 school year.

Employee	From	To
Keith Lavala	Eighth Grade Reading	Seventh Grade Reading (replacing Jessica Carr, who has resigned)

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the professional employee transfer as presented.

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

A. PERSONNEL CONCERNS (Continued)

VOTE ON XIII., NEW BUSINESS, A., PERSONNEL CONCERNS

Motion by Norris, seconded by Blasco to combine and approve XIII., NEW BUSINESS, A., PERSONNEL CONCERNS, Items A-1 through A-12, as outlined and recommended above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

B. Credit Pay

(ACTION ITEM)

The professional employees whose names are listed below have successfully completed graduate work and are entitled to the specified amounts in accordance with the negotiated contract.

Jason Artz	\$ 1,170.00
Therese Butkewich	\$ 1,110.00
Michael Fronk	\$ 1,320.00
Amy Henry	\$ 1,110.00
Kevin Roberts	\$ 1,170.00
Marsha Stellfox	<u>\$ 1,110.00</u>
Total	\$6,990.00

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors authorize reimbursement for graduate credits as outlined above and as provided in the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Approval of Small Games of Chance Resolution

(ACTION ITEM)

The Newville Wrestling Association plans to conduct various raffles in support of the Big Spring High School and Middle School off-season wrestling programs.

A copy of a proposed resolution that will permit the Newville Wrestling Association to proceed with plans to secure a small games of chance license has been included with the agenda. The small games of chance license is required in order for the Newville Wrestling Association to conduct the proposed fundraiser.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the proposed resolution that will enable the Newville Wrestling Association to apply for a small games of chance license as presented.

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

C. Approval of Small Games of Chance Resolution (Continued) (ACTION ITEM)

In response to a question from Director Piper, Mr. Fry indicated that the Newville Wrestling Association supports out-of-season wrestling activities in the District, similar to the Big Spring Aquatic Club. Mr. Fry added that the Newville Wrestling Association contributed approximately \$10,000.00 to Big Spring's wrestling program last year.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommendation as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

D. Settlement Agreement (ACTION ITEM)

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the Settlement Agreement and Release in the matter of Student #164180 and authorizes the administration, Board Officers, and special counsel to take all steps necessary to implement the settlement.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

E. Plainfield PTO Fundraisers (ACTION ITEM)

The Plainfield Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization requested permission to conduct the fundraisers listed below during the 2010-2011 school term.

**Wolfgang Candy Fundraiser (Fall)
Jo Corbi's Family Favorites/Sandwich (Spring)**

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the Plainfield Elementary Parent Teacher Organization's request to conduct the fundraisers listed above during the 2010-2011 school term.

Motion by Swanson, seconded by Blasco to approve the recommendation as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

F. Tuition Exemption for Non-Resident Student (ACTION ITEM)

Ms. Amy Lyke requested permission for her son, Jarret Garman, a Big Spring High School senior, to complete his senior year at Big Spring High School as per the conditions outlined in Board Policy 202.3: "Non-resident students in the senior class may be given special consideration to continue their education in the district at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools, provided they have been enrolled in the Big Spring School District a minimum of two (2) full years immediately preceding their senior year." The parents are required to provide the necessary transportation.

Jarret Garman Grade 12

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

F. Tuition Exemption for Non-Resident Student (Continued) **(ACTION ITEM)**

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Lyke's request for a tuition exemption for her son, Jarret Garman, for the 2010-2011 school year, as per the conditions outlined in Board Policy 202.3.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

G. Planned Course Adoption **(ACTION ITEM)**

Listed below are completed planned courses for board approval.

High School

Agribusiness – Dual Enrollment
Craft of Acting
Creative Writing
Introduction to Film
Newspaper
Reading I
Reading II
Shakespeare
TV Workshop
World of Theater

The administration recommended the Board of School Directors approve the planned courses as presented.

Motion by Norris, seconded by Barrick to approve the recommendation as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

H. PSBA Membership Renewal **(ACTION ITEM)**

The District has received correspondence from Mr. Thomas Gentzel, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA), regarding 2010-2011 membership dues. The dues will maintain at the same rate for the 2010-2011 school year which will be \$10,070.58 for the fiscal year, including a one-year subscription to the PSBA Bulletin and to the School Leader News for each administrator.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the District's membership renewal for 2010-2011 fiscal year and authorize the administration to remit payment to PSBA in the amount of \$10,070.58.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above.

In response to a question from Director Blasco, Mr. Fry indicated that the check to PSBA for this item has not been written nor issued.

Roll call vote on the motion by Barrick and second by Blasco to approve the recommendation as outlined above: Voting Yes: Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Voting No: Blasco. Total Yes votes: Seven (7). Total No votes: One (1). Motion carried by a majority vote.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

(ACTION ITEM)

I. Appointment of the School District Dentist for 2010-2011 School Year

Contracted Service

Dr. Thomas Filip \$4.00 per exam

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve Dr. Filip's appointment as school district dentist for the 2010-2011 school year as presented.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

(ACTION ITEM)

J. Appointment of the School Physician and School Physician for Student Examinations for 2010-2011 School Year

<u>Contracted Service</u>	<u>2009-2010 Rate</u>	<u>Proposed 2010-2011</u>
Dr. Darryl K. Guistwite	\$13.70 per student exam Contracted Services for 2009-2010 school year \$6,650.00	\$13.90 per student exam Contracted Services for 2010-2011 school year \$6,750.00

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors appoint Dr. Darryl Guistwite as the school physician for student examinations for the 2010-2011 school year at a per student physical examination rate of \$13.90. The administration also recommends that the Board of School Directors appoint Dr. Guistwite as School Physician for the contracted annual rate of \$6,750.00.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

K. Approval of the Proposed 2010-2011 Medical Standing Orders **(ACTION ITEM)**

The District's medical standing orders have been reviewed by the administration and Mrs. Carol Madden, head nurse, and Dr. Darryl Guistwite, school physician, has approved the 2010-2011 school term's medical standing orders.

A copy of the signed 2010-2011 medical standing orders was included with the agenda.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the medical standing orders for the 2010-2011 school term as presented.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf.
Motion carried unanimously.

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

L. Contractor Payment #3 for Newville Project – Construction Fund (ACTION ITEM)

McKissick Associates reviewed the payment applications from eciConstruction, LLC, Whisler's Well Drilling, Inc., and Mann Plumbing and Heating for work performed on the Newville Addition & Renovation project. These payments will come from the Orrstown Bank loan using a new Construction fund established for this project. A copy of the completed and notarized payment applications in the amount of \$117,442.66 for eciConstruction, LLC, \$40,416.30 for Whisler's Well Drilling, Inc., and \$24,433.20 for MidState Mechanical & Electrical, LLC.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve payment from the construction fund to eciConstruction, LLC, in the amount of \$117,442.66, to Whisler's Well Drilling, Inc. in the amount of \$40,416.30, and to MidState Mechanical & Electrical, LLC in the amount of \$24,433.20.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Norris to approve the recommendation as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

M. Final Adoption of the 2010-2011 General Fund Budget (ACTION ITEM)

The Board of School Directors tentatively adopted the General Fund Budget for 2010-2011 in the amount of \$41,239,629 at the May 17, 2010 meeting following a budget presentation and discussion. In preparing the final budget some additional changes to both revenue and expenditures were made that decreased the total budget to **\$40,946,291.00**. These changes include the savings realized from the loss of 12 full-time positions. The budget and resolutions were reviewed by Philip Spare, Esquire.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the 2010-2011 General Fund Budget in the amount of **\$40,946,291.00**.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommendation as outlined above. Secretary Barrick called the roll. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Voting No: Piper and Roush. Total Yes votes: Six (6). Total No votes: Two (2). Motion carried by a majority vote.

N. Approval of Taxes and Tax Rates to Support the 2010-2011 General Fund Budget (ACTION ITEM)

The taxes specified below represent the current 2009-2010 taxes and the proposed 2010-2011 taxes that are required to support the proposed 2010-2011 General Fund Budget. Changes appear in boldface:

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors adopt by resolution the **2010-2011 Budget Resolution** including the taxes below, the resolution implementing the residence tax per Section 679, and the resolution authorizing installment payment of real estate taxes, as presented.

Mills – Real Estate
Current: 15.455
Proposed: 16.072

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve a 16.072-mill Real Estate Tax Rate. Secretary Barrick called the roll. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Voting No: Piper and Roush. Total Yes votes: Six (6). Total No votes: Two (2). Motion carried by a majority vote.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

(ACTION ITEM)

N. Approval of Taxes and Tax Rates to Support the 2010-2011 General Fund Budget

Wage and Other Earned Income Tax

Current: 1.15%

Proposed: 1.15%

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve a Wage and Other Earned Income Tax of 1.15%. Secretary Barrick called the roll: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Voting No: Roush. Total Yes votes: Seven (7). Total No votes: One (1). Motion carried unanimously.

Realty Transfer Tax

Current: ½ of 1%

Proposed: ½ of 1%

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve the Realty Transfer Tax of ½ of 1%. Secretary Barrick called the roll: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

Per Capita Tax

Current: \$5.00

Proposed: \$5.00

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve the Per Capita Tax of \$5.00. Secretary Barrick called the roll: Voting Yes: Houpt, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Voting No: Blasco, Norris, and Roush. Total Yes votes: Five (5). Total No votes: Three (3). Motion carried by a majority vote.

Residence Tax

Current: \$5.00

Proposed: \$5.00

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve the Residence Tax of \$5.00. Secretary Barrick called the roll: Voting Yes: Houpt, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Voting No: Blasco, Norris, and Roush. Total Yes votes: Five (5). Total No votes: Three (3). Motion carried by a majority vote.

Occupational Privilege Tax

Current: \$10.00

Proposed: \$10.00

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve the Occupational Privilege Tax of \$10.00. Secretary Barrick called the roll: Voting Yes: Houpt, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Voting No: Blasco, Norris, and Roush. Total Yes votes: Five (5). Total No votes: Three (3). Motion carried by a majority vote.

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

O. Homestead Farmstead Resolution for 2010-2011 Fiscal Year (ACTION ITEM)

The Secretary of Education notified the District on May 1, 2009, that its share of the state gaming funds for 2010-2011 will be \$770,379.65. The County notified us that we have 5,696 approved homesteads and 190 approved farmsteads within the District boundaries to share in that allocation. Using the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials worksheet, the administration calculated the exclusion for both homestead and farmsteads in equal amounts equal to \$8,228.00 of assessed value or \$132.24 in tax value. A copy of the proposed resolution and worksheet were included with the agenda and were reviewed by District Solicitor Phillip Spare.

The administration recommended that the Board of School Directors approve the resolution implementing the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion for the 2010-2011 fiscal year in accordance with the Act 1 of Special Session of 2006 in the amount of \$8,228 in exclusion value or \$132.24 in tax value.

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommendation as outlined above. Secretary Barrick called the roll. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Swanson, and Wolf. Voting No: Barrick. Total Yes votes: Seven (7). Total No votes: One (1). Motion carried by a majority vote.

P. Hoops for Heart Fundraiser (INFORMATION ITEM)

Mrs. Neidlinger and Mr. Deutsch, middle school physical education teachers, the Hoops for Heart Event for the 2009-2010 school year and have reported that the students raised \$860.00 for the American Heart Association. The event was held in memory of Miss Tina Keller.

Director Blasco commended those involved in this fundraiser.

Q. Tenure Status (INFORMATION ITEM)

The following professional employees have completed the required years of service as temporary professional employees and have earned tenure based on their satisfactory performance.

Ms. Stefanie D'Amore	Third Grade Teacher at Newville Elementary School
Mrs. Jennifer Kuhn	Third Grade Teacher at Newville Elementary School
Mr. Andrew Pettit	First Grade Teacher at Mount Rock Elementary School
Mrs. Julie Friscia	First Grade Teacher at Plainfield Elementary School
Miss Suzanne Brazeau	Third Grade Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School
Miss Amber Brennan	Fifth Grade Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School
Mrs. Stephanie Devonald	Second Grade Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School
Mrs. Jamie Fortney	Second Grade Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School
Miss Jennifer Heishman	Fourth Grade Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School
Miss Erin Heaps	Seventh Grade Teacher at the Middle School
Ms. Amy Henry	Middle School Guidance Counselor
Mr. Christopher Chapman	High School Mathematics Teacher
Mr. Chad Feeser	High School English Teacher
Mr. Tyler Henry	High School Mathematics Teacher

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XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

Q. Tenure Status

(INFORMATION ITEM)

Additional information regarding the professional employees was prepared by Mr. William August, Newville Elementary School Principal; Mrs. Linda Slusser, Mount Rock Elementary School Principal; Mrs. Zeigler, Plainfield Elementary School Principal; Mr. Stacey Kimble, Oak Flat Elementary School Principal; Dr. Linda Wilson, Middle School Principal; Mr. Steven Smith, High School Principal and was included with the agenda.

R. Pennsylvania Department of Education Audit Letter

(INFORMATION ITEM)

Mr. Richard W. Fry, Superintendent of Schools, received a letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Education regarding the single audit report regarding the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA), for the year ended June 30, 2008. Also included in the agenda is a response from Mr. Rick Gilliam, Director of Food Services, regarding the expenditure of federal awards.

These letters were included with the agenda.

Mr. Fry explained that the finding related to the school breakfast program is explained on the back of a letter included with the agenda. The finding was the result of an auditor error two years ago, and the problem has been corrected.

A meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 29, 2010, to address the overall State audit. Interested Board members are welcome to attend.

S. Proposed Textbook Adoption

(INFORMATION ITEM)

Mr. Kevin Roberts, Director of Curriculum/Instruction and Educational Technology, recommended the following textbooks to the Superintendent of Schools. The books are available for review in the curriculum office by any member of the Board of School Directors who wishes to review the books.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
Middle School	Schooled	Gordon Korman
Language Arts	Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie	Jordan Sonnenblick
	Hope Was Here	Joan Bauer
	Skin I'm In	Sharon Flake

T. Planned Course Adoption

(INFORMATION ITEM)

Listed below are completed planned courses for board approval. All completed planned courses are available in the Curriculum Center for review by the Board of School Directors prior to the July 19, 2010, Board of School Directors meeting.

High School

Agribusiness – Dual Enrollment
Honors Chemistry
Law and Society

XIII. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

U. Updated Student Record Policy

(INFORMATION ITEM)

The administration submitted an updated Student Record Policy for Board review. The update includes new information regarding IDEA and FERPA.

The updated Student Record Policy was included with the agenda. The updated Student Record Policy will be an Action Item on the July 19, 2010 School Board agenda.

Mr. Fry indicated that all Category 200 policies are being updated; however, this particular policy required a fast-track update to meet IDEA and FERPA guidelines.

V. Updated Year-to-Date Summaries/Taxes and General Fund

(INFORMATION ITEM)

The Business Office prepared updated year-to-date summaries for taxes and general fund that were included with the agenda.

XIV. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future Board agenda items.

XV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. District Improvement Committee – Mrs. Lopp

No meeting was conducted, and no report was offered.

B. Athletic Committee – Mr. Swanson

No meeting was conducted, and no report was offered.

C. Vocational-Technical School – Mr. Wolf/Mr. Piper

No meeting was conducted, and no report was offered.

The JOC is slated to meet on Monday, June 28, 2010.

D. Buildings and Property Committee – Mr. Barrick

Director Barrick reported that the Newville project is progressing nicely.

E. Finance Committee – Mr. Blasco

Director Blasco indicated that the Finance Committee met several times to create the General Fund budget that was approved by the members of the Board of School Directors this evening. Mr. Blasco thanked the members of the administration who were involved with the preparation of the budget, and he commended everyone involved for a good job reducing to 3.99 percent the originally proposed tax increase of more than 5 percent.

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XV. COMMITTEE REPORTS (Continued)

F. South Central Trust – Mr. Blasco

No meeting was conducted, and no report was offered.

G. Capital Area Intermediate Unit – Mr. Wolf

President Wolf indicated that the CAIU executive director would begin her leave of absence on July 1, 2010.

H. Tax Collection Committee (TCC) – Mr. Wolf

President Wolf indicated that the West Shore Tax Bureau will become the Cumberland County Tax Collection Bureau through a process of dissolving and re-forming effective January 1, 2012. The decision by CapTax not to seek to use West Shore as their collection agency effective January 1, 2011, provided more flexibility during this planning phase. During the next 18 months, the TCC will be determining the process going forward. The proposed plan would minimize the costs of tax collection for entities in Cumberland County.

XVI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

FFA Convention at Penn State University

Mr. Fry reported that the Big Spring FFA attended the State FFA Convention on June 15 to 17, 2010, with 26 students competing in a variety of contests. Mr. Fry reviewed the accomplishments of the students from the week and those recognized for year-long efforts as follows:

- Agricultural Mechanics: Cody Miller - 14th, Bronze Medal; Cody, David Thumma, and David Clouser - 8th Team.
- Dairy Cattle Judging: Cody Bear - 24th, Silver Medal; Tevyn Albright - 50th, Bronze Medal; Cody, Tevyn, Laura Ryan, Mike Miller, and Travis Jones - 10th Team.
- **Dairy Cattle Showmanship: Richard Beatty - 1st, Gold Medal. Richard will represent Pennsylvania at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis in October.**
- FFA Knowledge: Paul Davis - 13th, Silver Medal.
- Floriculture: Rachel Dehart, Lauren Chronister, Hillary Hamman, and Violet Taylor - 7th Team.
- Horse Evaluation and Selection: Brittany Olson, Adrienne Line, Brielle Kutz, Alexis Morgan, James Pridgeon, and Ashley Merkel - 16th Team.
- Meats Evaluation and Technology: Abby Finkenbinder - 4th, Silver Medal; Joshua Anderson - 12th.
- Senior Prepared Public Speaking: Caitlin Clarke - 11th, Gold Medal.
- Junior Prepared Public Speaking: Amanda Musselman - 2nd, Gold Medal; Richard Beatty - 11th, Silver Medal.
- Safe Tractor Driving: Reed Morgan - 3rd, Gold Medal.
- Chapter Business Delegate: Amanda Musselman - Gold Medal.
- Chapter Scrapbook Contest: 7th Place, Blue Ribbon.
- National Chapter Award Application: Approved for submission to National FFA Convention for Superior Chapter Recognition.

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XVI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (Continued)

FFA Convention at Penn State University (Continued)

Mr. Fry was recognized for his support of FFA and was awarded the Honorary Keystone Degree at the convention.

Mr. Fry reported that Cassie Gutshall, Sentinel, and Caitlin Clarke, Secretary, Big Spring graduates, were selected from a pool of 21 candidates to serve as 2010-2011 FFA State officers. These individuals must defer college plans for a year to serve in this capacity. There are ten State officer positions for the state of Pennsylvania, and six of those State officers selected this year live in Cumberland County, with eight of the State officers representing the south-central region.

Mr. Fry reported that Big Spring was nominated to compete in the Agricultural Marketing Plan Career Development Events at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, MA, September 17 to 19, 2010. If the Board were to approve this trip, Big Spring would send five students and two advisors to compete in the event. The attendees would leave Thursday, September 16, 2010, and return Sunday, September 19, 2010.

Mr. Fry indicated that Ms. Nailor and Ms. Wanbaugh wish to thank the Board for supporting the efforts of Big Spring's FFA program.

Mr. Fry indicated that Big Spring School District is very proud of two "spectacular FFA advisors" who serve on both state and national FFA committees and train the FFA students well, and he commended the FFA students for continuously bringing honor to the Big Spring School District.

XVII. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Director Barrick wished everyone an enjoyable Independence Day.

XVIII. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

In response to a question from Mr. Denny Clopper, Mr. Fry indicated that there would not be a Board meeting on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, as indicated on the District's Web site. Mr. Fry noted that this error would be corrected. The members of the Board of School Directors will meet on Monday, July 19, 2010, beginning at 6:30 P.M. to address the Plainfield Elementary School proposal, with the regular Board meeting scheduled for 8:00 P.M.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Barrick to adjourn to Executive Session to address negotiations issues and not to return to Open Session. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Houpt, Norris, Piper, Roush, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 P.M.

Robert Lee Barrick, Secretary

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: Monday, July 19, 2010