

BLAIRSVILLE-SALTSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT
102 School Lane
Blairsville, Pennsylvania 15717

June 27, 2007

The Board of Directors of the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District met for a Special Voting Meeting on Wednesday, June 27, 2007, in the Cafeteria at the Blairsville Middle/High School with the following members present:

Paul Bell	Linda Brown
Michael LaMantia	George Rowley
Karen Shusko (left 9:13 pm)	Edward Smith
Mary Whitfield	

Lance Alexander was absent.

Mr. Nadonley, Theresa Hanley, Ron Saffron, Eric Kocsis and a group of citizens also attended the meeting.

Mr. Paul Bell, Board President, called the workshop meeting to order at 7:27 pm. The voting meeting immediately followed the executive session which ended at 9:13 pm.

Discussion Items/Workshop Meeting

- a. Consolidation issues with architectural firm - HHSDR – Mr. Nadonley
- b. Consolidation issues with financial advisor firm – Janney Montgomery Scott LLC – Mr. Kocsis

Ron Saffron asked Mr. Greer Hayden whether the cost estimates presented by HHSDR are realistic cost estimates of the construction project on which the District can base its borrowing on a bond issue. Greer Hayden indicated that he believes that the project cost estimates are reasonable and the Board can rely on those estimates. Bob Armor used Greer's numbers to prepare the report distributed at the meeting.

Regular Voting Meeting

Motion by George Rowley and seconded by Mary Whitfield that in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-405 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, due to the absence of Leigh Free, Board Secretary, the Board of School Directors does hereby elect Eric Kocsis as secretary pro tempore for the special workshop and voting board meeting of June 27, 2007, and said appointment shall be noted in the minutes of said meeting. Smith, Speal, Brown, Whitfield, Shusko, Rowley, LaMantia, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

The Board recessed for an executive session to discuss personnel and legal matters. The Board reconvened at 9:13 pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion by Ed Smith and seconded by George Rowley to amend the *Other Business* section of the agenda to include the following resolutions:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Manager, the Board of School Directors hereby directs the Administration, the District's Solicitor, the bond underwriter, Janney Montgomery Scott, LLC, and the District's bond counsel, Thorp Reed & Armstrong, LLP, to proceed with the preparation of the documents necessary to issue bonds in the presently estimated amount of \$24,500,000 to finance (a) the District's proposed renovations and additions to the existing Blairsville Middle/High School to convert it to the Blairsville-Saltsburg Junior/Senior High School and the renovations to the existing Saltsburg Middle/High School to convert it to the Saltsburg Elementary School and (b) the payment of the cost of issuing the Bonds.

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Manager, the Board of School Directors hereby schedules a special voting meeting of the Board of School directors to be held at 6:00 pm on Monday, July 2, 2007, in the Blairsville Middle/High School Cafeteria, 100 School Lane, Blairsville, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of adopting a resolution authorizing non-electoral debt in the presently estimated amount of \$24,500,000, and to act on such other business as may come before the Board of School Directors. Further, the Board of School Directors hereby authorizes the publication of all notices pertaining to the special meeting and the subject matter of the special meeting as are required by law.

Smith, Speal, Whitfield, Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Bell voting yes. Brown and Shusko voting no. Motion carried.

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PERSONNEL

Motion by Ed Smith and seconded by George Rowley to amend the *Personnel* section of the agenda as follows:

- Table the following motion:
 - The Board of Directors hereby approves the hiring of _____, of _____ as a social studies teacher at the first step of the bachelor's salary scale of \$41,935, with an effective hire date of August 22, 2007, with initial placement at Saltsburg Middle/High School, pending completion of all necessary paperwork.

Smith, Speal, Brown, Whitfield, Rowley, LaMantia, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by George Rowley and seconded by Mary Whitfield that the Board of Directors hereby approves the following individuals as substitute support staff, pending all appropriate clearances and forms:

	Name	Residence	Classification
1.	Hays, Jason	Saltsburg	Custodian – Summer Help
2.	Spade, John	Blairsville	Custodian, Maintenance
3.	White, Lisa	Saltsburg	Custodian – Summer Help
4.	Widdowson, Becky	Indiana	Custodian – Summer Help

Smith, Speal, Brown, Whitfield, Rowley, LaMantia, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Paul A. Bell, Board Secretary

Leigh A. Free, Board Secretary