

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of School Directors
July 20, 2011

The special meeting of the Morrisville Board of School Directors was held in the LGI Room located in the Morrisville Intermediate/Senior High School, 550 West Palmer Street, Morrisville, Pennsylvania on July 20, 2011, after due notice of the meeting had been given as required by law. Mr. Bill Hellmann, President, called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with the following members present on roll call:

In attendance: Messrs. Buckman, Hellmann, Radosti, Worob and Stout, and Mrs. Ruthrauff,
Mrs. Mihok
Absent: Mr. DeWilde and Mrs. Heater

Quorum Present.

Also attending this evening's meeting was Mr. William J. Ferrara, Superintendent; Mr. Paul DeAngelo, Business Administrator and Recording Secretary; Thomas J. Profy IV, Esq., Solicitor; MEA and media.

PUBLIC SESSION

Damon Miller, 249 W. Franklin St.
Transportation issues: Bids for buses; Purchasing buses.

Paul DeAngelo responded: Bids for buses was opened on May 19, 2011. Two bids were received; Rick Bus and First Student. First Student was the lower bid on a daily rate per vehicle. There is an agreement with Delaware Valley and the Tech School. The district is looking into procuring vans. The vans would take care of some of the local runs and some of the IU runs. The IU will transport students if the vans are not procured by the first day of school.

Break for Executive Session

1. INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS: ACTION ITEMS – Infrastructure

1.1 Approval, Act 77/39 Performance Contract

Item 1.1 was moved by Mr. Hellmann; seconded by Mr. Worob, passed by a voice vote.
The Board approved a motion to table the Act 77/39 Performance Contract for GreenTech Energy Services in the amount of \$787,683.
Voice vote of 7-0

Item 1.2 was moved by Mr. Hellmann; seconded by Mr. Worob; passed by a voice vote.

1.2 Approval, Grandview Bituminous Resurfacing

The Board approved a motion to approve the Grandview Resurfacing Project to Gorecon Inc., Doylestown, PA in the amount of \$143,491. Base Bid \$84,715 and Alternative #2 Curb and Paving \$58,766.
Voice vote of 7-0

Discussion: In addition to the paving of the parking lot, this is a safety issue.

Item 1.2 was moved by Mr. Hellmann; seconded by Mr. Buckman; passed by a voice vote.

1.3 Approval, Fist Student, Inc.

The Board approved a motion to approve First Student, Inc. for transportation services for the 2011-2012 school year.
Voice vote of 7-0

2. Human Resources

Item 2.1 was moved by Mr. Hellmann; seconded by Mrs. Mihok; passed by a voice vote

2.1 Approval, Superintendent of Schools

The Board approved a motion to approve the appointment of William J. Ferrara as the Superintendent of Schools beginning July 1, 2011 and concluding on June 30, 2014.

Discussion: Mr. Ferrara stated the motion was on the agenda again due to the State requiring an end date of the contract. Mr. Buckman asked if this was the PDE; answer "Yes."
Voice vote of 7-0

Item 2.2 was moved by Mr. Hellmann; seconded by Mrs. Mihok; passed by a voice vote.

2.2 Approval, Acting Secondary Principal

The Board approved a motion to approve the appointment of Donald E. Harm as the Acting Secondary Principal for the 2011-2012 school year, beginning August, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012 with no medical benefits.
Voice vote of 7-0

Discussion: Mr. Ferrara stated the appointment is late in the year as the pool of secondary principal candidates is slim to none. The position was posted and there was one applicant; which was Mr. Harm. There is also an administrative intern position posted. This position will probably be filled internally by an undersubscribed person. The reason we are doing that is to attempt to fill Mr. Harm's position with a qualified candidate. That person will have an opportunity to work with us and will come out of the bargaining unit for one year to do observations, etc. At the end of the year, the person will be able to say, 'thanks- this isn't for me' or we can say, 'thanks but it did not work out'. That person may go back to the classroom or may be interviewed. That person will not be the only person interviewed. It is a win-win for us. We did remove the dean of students. This should be approximately a \$5,000.00 expense for this position. This gives the person the opportunity to get experience.

3. OLD BUSINESS

There is no old business.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Mihok received a letter from the PSBA concerning a School Leadership Conference which will be held in Hershey, PA in October. The letter states the School Board should appoint a delegate by August 1, 2011. Mrs. Mihok would like to be nominated for the delegate position as she has attended the conference for the last four years.

A motion was moved by Mr. Buckman; seconded by Mr. Hellman; passed by a voice vote.

The Board approved a motion to approve the appointment of Mrs. Mihok as the delegate to the School Leadership Conference in Hershey, PA in October, 2011.
Voice vote of 7-0

5. Adjournment

The Board approved a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36pm.



William Hellmann, President



Marlys Mihok, Secretary