

**Keystone School District
Knox, Pennsylvania
Work Session
September 10, 2007**

OPENING/ATTENDANCE

Mr. John R. Slagle, President of the Keystone School District Board of Directors, called the Work Session to order on Monday, September 10, 2007.at 7:04 P.M. The Meeting was held in the Keystone Elementary School Library, 451 Huston Avenue, Knox, Pennsylvania. The following Board Members were in attendance: Mr. Gregory A. Barrett, Mr. James A. Beary, Ms. Terri K. Kahle, Mr. R. Jeffrey Kline, Mr. Thomas L. McCoy, Mr. R. John Slagle, Mrs. Marilyn Stempeck and Mr. Kenneth L. Swartfager. Mr. William L. Shaner was absent. Also present were Mr. Greg Agosti, Officer Stephen Bilunka, Mrs. Shawn Corcetti, Mrs. Sharon Geary, Mr. Bill Jordan, Mr. Shawn Kelly, Mr. Vernon Lauffer, Mr. Jonathan Maddy, Mr. Rodney Sherman, Mr. Randy Stahlman, Mrs. Vicky Walters, Mr. Ed Williams and Mrs. Barb Witkowski.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mr. Slagle made an Introduction of Guests

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

EMERGENCY DRILL

Randy Stahlman reviewed the Emergency Drill that will be conducted at the High School in this School Year. He introduced Greg Agosti who detailed additional parameters for deployment of the drill. He also stated the background and need for the drill to be completed. After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle requested consideration of the drill be added and approved on next week's Agenda.

REPORTS

- **Superintendent--Dr. Gool reviewed:**
 - Pre-K Counts Grant Pioneer Meeting was held, and successful start-up will occur on September 24, 2007.
- **SMILES--Ms. Kahle:**
 - She requested her SMILES Report be moved to next week's Agenda.

Mr. Shaner arrived at 7:30 P.M.

REPORTS (Continued)

- **Elementary--Mrs. Corcetti reviewed:**
 - Upcoming events and dates.
 - Introduced new Guidance Counselor, Shawn Kelly.
 - Shawn Kelly addressed the Board reviewing his activities thus far this year.

- **High School--Mrs. Walters reviewed:**
 - 4-Sight Testing has begun.
 - Mrs. McElravy has prepared a colorized yearbook, which would add \$5 to the \$45 cost--for a total of \$50.
 - Upcoming events and dates.

- **Buildings & Grounds--Mr. Williams reviewed the following:**
 - Thanked the Board for Summer help.
 - Painting of dugouts is underway with logos.
 - Cafeteria steamer is installed and operating.
 - Various repairs completed.
 - Parking Lot repairs.
 - Problems with High School Art Room windows bowing out due to manufacturing error.
 - Asbestos Awareness and Right-To-Know Training is completed.

DIALOGUE ITEMS

- Mrs. Witkowski and Mrs. Geary reviewed the Classrooms for the Future Grant, which was awarded to Keystone in the amount of \$168, 305 plus \$30,000 for Technology coaching. *After many questions and Board discussion, it was agreed to add this Item to next week's Agenda for consideration.*

- Mr. Lauffer reviewed the revised LERTA Program that is in place through the County, District and Township, which is an Abatement Program of 75%, 50%, 25% for years one through three. He said there is a need to reconsider the approved program into two motions that may be considered, (1) abate; (2) rebate. *After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle requested this Item be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda*

- Mrs. Walters reviewed a request from Mr. Nesta for disposal and temporary replacement of pianos in the High School. After Board discussion, the consensus is to request a second opinion as to the viability of all pianos.

DIALOGUE ITEMS (Continued)

- Ms. Kahle requested cost per student of the Senior Class Trip to Washington, D.C. on November 4 through November 8, 2007. *After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle requested this Item be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda along with the cost per student.*
- The 9th Grade Class Trip to Harrisburg and Gettysburg on May 8 and 9, 2008 was discussed. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda along with a cost per student range.*
- The Resignations of Sandra Wolbert and Lori Hartzell as Teacher's Aides were discussed. Mr. Barrett requested an explanation of the letters that were included in the packet. Mrs. Corcetti addressed the issues that led up to the resignations, stating that unprofessional behavior to teachers and peers were cited as the reason for prior disciplinary action. She also said that the letters sent to the Board were indicative of the behavior that was displayed on specific occasions. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Advertising and Posting of Elementary Teacher's Aides was done, including two Resignations, as well as an additional Aide as paid through the Accountability Block Grant for the Third Grade. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Conrad Warner has written a letter of interest for the Senior High Student Government Co-Advisor position. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Mrs. Stempeck requested that the new High School Teachers attend the September 17, 2007 Business Meeting.
- *Mr. Slagle requested the following names for our Substitute List be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda:*
 - Robin Henry, Clarion, Elementary
 - Heidi Jo Sayers, Clarion, Early Childhood/Elementary
 - Leah Leadbetter, Corsica, Early Childhood
 - Patrick Craig, Strattanville, Social Studies
 - Brenda Klingler, Knox, Secretary
 - Bridget Rivers, Knox, Aide
- Jan Lieber has written a letter for the Mentor Position for Shawn Kelly. *After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle requested this Item be added to next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*

DIALOGUE ITEMS (Continued)

- Mr. Maddy reviewed a Security Camera System in use at the Career Center. He researched a system for Keystone School District as detailed on the map distributed including six cameras. After Board discussion, it was requested that the Administration research a complete system with a wireless approach and present it at next week's Business Meeting.
- Ms. Kahle stated the Act 93 Committee has met multiple times and will meet again before next week's Meeting, and, hopefully, bring recommendations for next week's Meeting in regards to Non-Bargaining Employees' Salaries for 2007-08.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon F. Lauffer
Board Secretary