

**Keystone School District  
Knox, Pennsylvania  
Work Session  
January 14, 2008**

**OPENING/ATTENDANCE**

Mr. John R. Slagle, President of the Keystone School District Board of Directors, called the Work Session to order on Monday, January 14, 2008 at 7 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. Thomas L. McCoy, Mr. John R. Slagle and Mrs. Marilyn L. Stempeck. Mr. Alan F. Seigworth, Mr. William L Shaner and Mr. Kenneth L. Swartfager were absent. Also present were: Mrs. Shawn Corcetti, Mrs. Terrie Fink, Dr. Jean Gool, Mr. Vernon Lauffer, Mr. Jonathan Maddy, Mr. Francis Nesta, Mr. Rodney Sherman, Mr. Robert Shook, Mrs. Vicky Walters and Mr. Steve Wilson.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Mr. Slagle made an Introduction of Guests.
- Mr. Slagle said there would be an Executive Session held tonight related to the Isler Lawsuit and a Collective Bargaining Unit Item related to Teacher Grievances filed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**Mr. Shaner arrived at 7:03 P.M.**

**PRESENTATION OF PSEA GRIEVANCE**

Mr. Wilson addressed the Board regarding a Grievance involving a change in Medical Insurance Benefits. Mr. Shook further explained in detail the reason for the Grievance--outlining specifics of the Grievance and the Timeline involved in the process.

**REPORTS**

- **Superintendent--Dr. Gool reviewed:**
  - Visited Harrisburg last Thursday and Friday to attend a Conference on the Costing Out Study conducted by the Commonwealth.
  - Mobile Dentistry Program.
  - Busy week in the Elementary School with the Artist in Residence on location.

**REPORTS (Continued)**

□ **Elementary School--Mrs. Corcetti reviewed:**

- Artist in Residence Program is occurring in the Elementary School.
- ABG update on Full-Day Kindergarten Program.
- Erin Schill, Kindergarten Teacher, will start on January 21, 2008.
- This is the 35<sup>th</sup> year Celebration for the opening of the Keystone Elementary School. This year will be a combined Dr. Seuss Day with the 35 Year Celebration of Keystone Elementary School.
- Kelly Daugherty has been chosen as the model for the Artist in Residence sculpture.

□ **High School--Mrs. Walters reviewed:**

- Mr. Carrow's Art Class will visit the Elementary School to participate in the Artist in Residence Program.
- PMEA District Band Members were: Ally Hall, Courtney Heath, Tuesdae Johns, Tyler Kapp and Adam McHenry.
- PMEA Regional Band Members will be: Ally Hall and Tyler Kapp. Also, Courtney Heath declined.
- Wrestling Team is doing well with an 11-1 record. Mike Switzer is ranked #1 at 145 pounds.
- Report Cards will be distributed on Friday, January 18.
- 4Sight Testing is underway.
- CFF Training.
- Act 80 Day will be Monday, January 21, 2008.
- Book Fair.
- New Flag for the Gymnasium.

**High School--Mr. Maddy reviewed:**

- Security Camera System is installed and operating.

□ **SMILES--Ms. Kahle reviewed:**

- Christmas Dinner Project (35 meals were donated and delivered).
- East meets West Project to be held on Martin Luther King Day.
- Grant monies are available for Summer 2008 teachers through the Youth Program.
- Sharpsville Renovation Project.
- Statistical Report from SMILES activities distributed.

**REPORTS (Continued)**

□ **Business Manager--Mr. Lauffer reviewed:**

- Mr. Lauffer introduced Lisa Chiesa and Mike McCoy from PNC Capital Markets. They reviewed the refinancing of the Career Center bonds. After completion of their presentation, *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be placed on next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Mr. Lauffer said that the Laptop Lottery Giveaway was successful with 43 old laptops given away through the first week of January to Keystone School District residents.

**DIAOGUE ITEMS**

- Dr. Gool reviewed the Mobile Dentists/Children's Dental Health Foundation Program. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be placed on next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Mr. Nesta addressed the Board regarding the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Trip Date Change from April 24 and 25, 2008 to May 9 and 10, 2008 due to conflicts with the Musical, "Guys & Dolls." *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be placed on next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Intent to Retire Letters have been received from Sue Giering, Elementary Teacher and Sheila Rivers, Cafeteria Worker, effective at the end of the 2007-08 School Year. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be placed on next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Kim Scheer, High School Nurse, has requested a Maternity Leave effective April 3, 2008 through May 30, 2008. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be placed on next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Additions to the Substitute list will be as follows:
  - Ryan Smith, Strattanville, Elementary, Retroactive to January 8, 2008
  - Ben Cobler, Knox, Elementary
  - Brynn Space, Shippenville, Art
  - Kelsi Wilcox, Shippenville, English*Mr. Slagle requested this Item, plus additions, be placed on next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*
- Mr. Lauffer reviewed the procedure involved in the School Delay/Early Dismissal Reimbursement of the employees currently followed. A handout was distributed to outline current practice.
- Varsity Cheerleading Trip to Cleveland, Ohio on Saturday, March 8, 2008 and Sunday, March 9, 2008 was reviewed. *Mr. Slagle requested this Item be placed on next week's Business Meeting Agenda.*

**A Recess was held from 8:20 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.**

**An Executive Session was held from 8:30 P.M. until 9:05 P.M.**

**A Building & Grounds Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, January 21, 2008 at 6:30 P.M.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon F. Lauffer  
Board Secretary