EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL MEETING -MAY 4, 2004

East Stroudsburg Area Senior High School – South 7:00 p.m.

- I. President Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Robert Huffman called the roll.
- II. Members present were: Christopher Baj, Horace Cole, Patrick Forney, Bet Hays, Robert Huffman, Don Motts, Michal Peterson, William Searfoss and William Zacharias.
- III. School personnel present: Douglas C. Arnold, Patricia Baughman, Linda Bonawitz, Irene Duggins, Al Fonash, Marie S. Guidry, Catherine Hennings, Charmaine Jordon, Linda Keglovits, Kenneth G. Koberlein, Sharon Laverdure, Michael M. Michaels, Patricia Mulroy, Gregory L. Naudascher, Linda Schaller, James Shearouse, Mike Silvoy, Heather Skeldon, Rita Stephan, Lee Ann Stokes, and Ray Williams. Also present was Barry Brobst from The Architectural Studio.
- IV. Media present: Eric Mark The Pocono Record

Community members present: Kristina, Mildred and Natalie Baj, Donovan Channer, Devon Day, Larry Diamond, Roland Featherman, Paul Felder, Josephine Ferro, Bob Gress, P. Moyer, Joan Nebil, Kurt and Dale Santee, Dave Strunk

V. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Koberlein announced that Lobby day at Harrisburg will be on May 11, 2004, and persons interested in attending should contact him.

Barry Brobst from The Architectural Studio provided a report to the School Board and Community about the renovations and additions project at East Stroudsburg Senior High School – South.

VII. RESOLUTION – GROWTH SUPPLEMENT

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Christopher Baj to approve the resolution regarding Commonwealth funding to East Stroudsburg Area School District as presented. Motion was seconded by Don Motts and carried unanimously, 9-0.

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VIII. ATTORNEY APPROVAL

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Bet Hays to approve Attorney Drew Christian of Sweet, Stevens, Tucker and Katz Law Firm to negotiate settlement agreement for a special education student. Motion was seconded by Christopher Baj and carried unanimously, 9-0.

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IX. EAST STROUDSBURG SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL - SOUTH

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by William Searfoss to approve to freeze East Stroudsburg Senior High School – South construction project for thirty days from today while the School Board considers reports. Motion was seconded by William Zacharias and carried 5-3. With Patrick Forney, Bet Hays and Horace Cole voting No. Public Comment was provided by Larry Diamond and Robert Gress.

X. CONTINUE BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Staffing
IDEA Revenues
Reduction Options 5%
Fund Balance 3% of anticipated budget

Information about predicted staffing and general operating expenses was presented and the School Board agreed to meet again for budget development purposes on Thursday, May 13, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. at East Stroudsburg Senior High School South.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert C. Huffman Board Secretary

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