## Special Board Meeting Steel Valley School District Board of Directors Senior High School Conference Room August 28, 2006

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 PM.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Mrs. Fedor, Mr. Heddleston, Mrs. Kubancsek, Mr. Edward McCallister, Mr. Tim Mccallister, Mrs. Sloan, Mrs. Terrick, Mrs. Cannon and Mr. Ducar

Absent:

None

Also Present:

Dr. Kinavey, Mr. Bichko, Mr. Fetzko

This special meeting was called upon the request of Board Members Heddleston, Kubancsek, Tim McCallister, Terrick and Cannon for the purpose of discussing the award of the bid for the paving of the Barrett Elementary School playground, the handicapped parking area at Campbell Field and the fractured driveway entrance to Campbell Field.

Mr. Ducar opened with a statement that reviewed the Board's direction to the Business Manager following the August 22, 2006, Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors that the school district had advertised for competitive bids on two separate occasions. On each occasion, no bids had been received. Solicitor Fetzko then opined that if the district did not receive bids after advertising two times, then the district could go get someone to do the work.

There was no stated disagreement in regard to the Board's direction to the Business Manager.

A lengthy discussion then ensued with all Board Members stating their observations of the process utilized in gathering the bids now before the Board and commenting on the level of their involvement in the process.

Mr. Bichko explained that an unsolicited bid had been received from Coppola Construction on the afternoon of August 22, 2006. This bid was withheld until the solicitor could explain the Board's options directly to the Board at their regular meeting scheduled for later that evening.

Subsequently, Mr. Bichko was informed via a telephone call from Board Member Tim Mccallister that Caruso Paving desired to submit a bid and would do so by 11:00 AM on Thursday, August 24, 2006. Mr. Bichko advised Mr. Tim McCallister that no action would be taken until after the receipt of Mr. Caruso's bid at 11:00 AM on Thursday, August 24, 2006.

Following the non-receipt of a bid from Caruso Paving at 11:00 AM, Mr. Bichko proceeded to advise Coppola Construction that their bid of \$36,000.00 was accepted and the project could begin.

There was additional discussion among the Board Members regarding the sequence of events that led up to this special meeting.

District residents Mr. Stegena, Ms. Dithrich, Ms. Dreshman, Mrs. Stegena, Mr. Natale, Mr. Terrick, and others who were unidentified offered their individual comments.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Coppola also presented their position to the Board and reported that they had received a telephone call from Board Member Pam Terrick on the evening of August 24, 2006, telling them that if they started the paving job they would not be paid for it.

Mr. Coppola offered to lower his original bid.

Public comments supported Mr. Coppola's original bid.

There was additional discussion and public comment.

It was moved by Mr. Edward McCallister, seconded by Mr. Brian Heddleston to award the bid for paving the Barrett Playground, the Campbell Field Handicapped Parking Area and the fractured entrance to Campbell Field in the amount of \$35,019.99. Upon roll call the following Board members voted affirmatively: Mrs. Fedor, Mr. Heddleston, Mrs. Kubancsek, Mr. Edward Mccallister, Mr. Tim Mccallister, Mrs. Sloan,

Mrs. Terrick, Mrs. Cannon and Mr. Ducar. Negative: None. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 P.M.

Submitted by:

Michael F. Bichko Board Secretary