

**Commissioners' Workshop Meeting
Tuesday, February 14, 2006**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 14, 2006 at 10:30 A.M. in the thirteenth floor Board Room of the Berks County Services Center, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Chair Judith L. Schwank called the meeting to order with Commissioner Thomas Gajewski and Commissioner Mark L. Scott in attendance. Also present were County Administrator William E. Dennis, Solicitor Alan Miller Esq., and Chief Clerk Terry Styer.

II. STAFF RECOGNITIONS

- A. John McCormack, Superintendent of the Berks County Youth Center and Sheriff Barry Jozwiak presented, on behalf of the Commissioners, Certificates of Recognition to Michael Gring, Deputy Sheriff, Kyle Hummel, Deputy Sheriff, Edward Folk, Berks County Youth Center Control Room Operator, Eric Jenkins, Berks County Youth Center Resident Director for exceptional performance and service to the County.
- B. Guido Puchini, President of Security Guards Inc. presented their annual Officer of the Year Award to Karla Schwambach, Security Guard Supervisor who is stationed in the County Courthouse and County Services Center. Commissioner Gajewski also presented the Certificate of Recognition on behalf of the Commissioners for her accomplishment

III. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS / REQUESTS:

Budget Department:

- A. Adopt Resolution authorizing 2005 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$14,774.00 and 2006 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$ 25,000.00 per listing dated February 10, 2006. Bob Patrizio Budget Director presented the report.

Contract Submissions:

- A. Motion authorizing execution of Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per attached listing dated February 10, 2006. Candace Noll presented the contracts for approval.

Human Resource Director:

- A. Human Resource Recommendations as per list dated February 14, 2006. Beth Schiepan Human Resource Director presented the list of recommendations to the board.

Solicitor:

- A. Adopt Resolution authorizing execution of a Mutual Aid Agreement For Coroner's Office. Dennis J. Hess, Coroner was present to discuss this agreement which he indicated was introduced by the Pennsylvania State Coroners Association. County Solicitor Miller indicated that he had reviewed the agreement and indicated with minor changes in the language the agreement was appropriate for the board to approve.

II. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS:

- A. Adopt Resolution to award a contract, upon the recommendation of the Berks County Workforce Investment Board, to operate SPOC (Single Point of Contact) services and related programs in partnership with the Pennsylvania CareerLink ~ Berks County to the following service provider: **Educational Data Systems, Inc. (EDSI)**, Robert Schnieders, President, 15300 Commerce Drive North, Suite 200, Dearborn, MI Program operations are scheduled to begin on April 1, 2006. The amount of the proposed contract budget for the 27-month contract period beginning April 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2008 is \$2,425,136. Ed McCann from Career Link was attendance to discuss this federally funded program.

Commissioner Scott

Commissioner Scott read several news articles regarding recent state legislation discussions regarding what he referred to as the "Sovereign Bank Bill

Public Comment:

John Morgan, resident of Ruscombmanor Township requested the board to consider an official policy prohibiting the signing of Election Nomination Petitions in the County buildings.

There being no further business and following some general comments of the Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L Styer, Chief Clerk