

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
September 11, 2013

Members Present: Jerry Drake, Jerry Erwin, Linda Isgrigg, Joanna Yeend, David Rush, Mike Burbrink and Susan Smith.

President Jerry Drake called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. in the board room of the administrative office. He led the pledge to the United States flag.

Public Comments

None

Consent Items and Claims

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded the motion to approve the minutes of previous meetings. Carried 7-0

Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded the motion to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented. Carried 7-0

Business & Financial Report

Mr. Drake informed the board that the financial report was in their packet. No questions were asked regarding the report.

Extracurricular & Cafeteria

It was stated that the extracurricular and cafeteria reports were in the board packet.

Mrs. Yeend asked about the Jeremy Wright Scholarship Fund and thought that money from a run held at the Flat Rock Fish Fry should be deposited every year. I called Randee Taylor and asked her about it. She said that money from the fish fry goes to Wabash College. The \$294.50 that is in the memorial account is all that was ever received.

New Business

- A. Recommended approval of the 2013-14 Master Agreement.** Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Rush seconded the motion to approve the 2013-14 Master Agreement. Carried 7-0
- B. Recommended a 2% increase retroactive to the beginning of the 2013-14 school year for the following: instructional assistants, facilities director, secretaries, treasurers, deputy treasurer, CDL bus driver, Jr./Sr. high school principal, Jr./Sr. high school asst. principal/counselor, nurse, and cooks.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded the motion. Carried 7-0
- C. Requested approval for the FFA field trip to the state soils contest on October 25 & 26, 2013.** Mr. Rush moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0

- D. Recommended pursuing Advance-Ed District Accreditation.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded the motion. Carried 7-0
- E. Recommended acceptance of a \$800 donation from Shelby County United Fund for Project Clothe a Child.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 7-0
- F. Recommended acceptance of the donation of security upgrades from NetTalon, Inc.** Mr. Rush moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded the motion. Carried 7-0
- G. Recommended the appointment of Michael Burbrink as the board's representative to the ISBA/IAPSS Fall Conference.** Mrs. Smith moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded the motion. Carried 7-0
- H. Requested approval of a change to the first grade report card for the language arts grade to be divided into three grades: reading, spelling, and English/creative writing.** Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mrs. Smith seconded the motion. Carried 7-0
- I. Recommended the sale of a 60 quart mixer, 3 slices, and a small tilt kettle that are no longer used by our cafeterias.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded the motion. Carried 7-0
- J. Recommended adoption of a modified RISE evaluation for the Reading Recovery teaching position.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded the motion. Carried 7-0

Other

Recommended to pay for cost of Mrs. Meyer's attendance at the FFA National 4-H Dairy Conference in Wisconsin. This is sponsored by Purdue. Southwestern transports to Purdue and the costs for the students are paid by Purdue. Mr. Rush moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 7-0

Recommended Southwestern apply for the Secured School Safety Grant which is a \$35,000.00 matching grant. Mr. Rush moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded. Carried 7-0

Requested approval of an elementary fundraiser for an elementary family. Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0

Reports & Presentations

Mr. Edwards, elementary principal, spoke about ISTEP scores. He mentioned that he had one student receive a perfect score in Language and two students receive perfect scores in Math.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Maurer reported on the high ability program. High ability learners are students who perform or show the potential to perform at an outstanding level in one or more subjects, requiring accelerated curriculum programs to develop their capabilities.

Mrs. Maurer pointed to state ISTEP results for the 2011-12 school year indicating high ability learners in both schools scored high in math and English/language arts categories. Seventy-five percent of the district's high ability students met college board benchmarks for college and career readiness. Southwestern is right at the state average for 4th grade ISTEP and above the state average in English/language arts. ISTEP scores for 2012-13 are just starting to arrive.

Other

None

Personnel

Resignations/Leave:

Tracy Griffith as custodian effective 8-21-13.
FMLA for Lindsay Chase and Leanne Dellapenna.
Adam Daniels-2nd Assistant boys' basketball coach.
Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 7-0

Recommendations to Hire:

Nicole Syester – temporary social studies at the high school from 9-3-13 through 11-1-13.
Lori Drake – temporary 4th grade teacher from 8-2-13 until Ms. Smock takes over.
Anne Smock-temporary 4th grade teacher (pending background check).
Mrs. Yeend moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0

Leanne Browning – part time custodian
Seve Beach – move from 8th grade boys' basketball coach to 2nd assistant boys' basketball coach.
Taylor Meredith – 8th grade boys basketball coach.
Misty Weaver – part time activity bus driver/part time aide.
Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0

Other

None

Public Comments

Mrs. Genie Parmer said that some advantages to working at Southwestern are the amazing school board and Superintendent. She said negotiations went very smoothly.

Superintendent Comments

Mrs. Maurer thanked all the members of the bargaining team. She said that we all had the same goal to do what was best for our kids and our teachers with the money that we have.

Mrs. Maurer announced the birth of Curtis Glenn Chase to Curt and Lindsay. He was born on September 9th.

Board Member Comments

Mr. Burbrink congratulated the students who are going to the state dairy competition.

Adjournment

Mr. Drake adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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