

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
November 13, 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 p.m. in the board room of the administrative office. He led the pledge to the United States flag.

Mr. Days will recognize the following fall coaches with their athletes: Cross Country Coach Charlie Taylor, Tennis Coach Chris Lakes, 8th grade volleyball coach Laura Donadio, and Jr. High soccer coach Andrew Oswalt. His team was undefeated.

Public Comments

None

Consent Items and Claims

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

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

Business and Financial Report

The financial report was mailed to the Board. The extracurricular and cafeteria accounts will be presented at the next Board meeting.

New Business

- A. Recommended the adoption of the 2014-15 school calendar.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 7-0

- B. Recommend the adoption of the employee guidelines for 9, 10, and 12 month non-certified employees. This will align vacation policy with teachers master agreement.** Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded. Carried 7-0

- C. Recommend the adoption of the Deputy Treasurer/Secretary job description.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 7-0

- D. Recommend the appointment of the following new members to the Wellness Committee: Mr. Edwards, Grace Schlabach, and Tyler Harker.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0
- E. Recommend the approval of an overnight FFA field trip to the State Soils & Crops Competition in West Lafayette on December 13 & 14, 2013.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 7-0
- F. Recommend permission to allow the formation of a Southwestern Fish and Game Club for a one year probationary period.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 7-0
- G. Other**
Recommended approval to apply for the \$35,000.00 Secured School Safety Grant. This money will be used to purchase reinforced doors for the school. Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 7-0

Reports & Presentations

Mr. Chase explained to the Board how all of the teachers are working together to improve student weaknesses in all courses not just Math and Language Arts. Mrs. Maurer was very impressed with both buildings.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Maurer told the Board that through corporate purchasing signs are being posted throughout the district.

She also said that Indiana will no longer be using IMAST and ISTAR for students in lifeskills classes. All students will take the ISTEP.

She also reported to the Board regarding the Shelby County Safety Committee. The county is trying to implement the reunification plan. Southwestern, Shelbyville Central Schools, St. Joseph, Prosecutor Kent Apsley and Mike Shantz are heading it up.

It was also mentioned that work sessions need to be scheduled to go over policies for Neola. It was decided that sessions would be held before regular Board meetings.

Personnel

Staff Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

- A. Lindsay Chase asked to extend her FMLA through the 2013-14 school year.** Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Erwin seconded. Carried 7-0

Recommendation to Hire:

- Elizabeth Peterson as the Academic Teach Coach.
 - Chris Fortune as the volunteer Fish and Game Club sponsor.
 - Bonnie Thopy as Deputy Treasurer/Secretary at \$17.00 per hour.
- Mr. Erwin moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 6-1

Recommended to pay High Ability Coordinators \$2,000.00 each. Mrs. Yeend moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0

Recommended that we pay out current 12 month employees if they have accumulated more than 5 vacation days. New guidelines state that they can only accumulate 5 vacation days. Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0

Public Comments

None

Superintendent Comments

Mrs. Maurer recognized the food service staff after they became “ServSafe” qualified. She also congratulated the Fall sports coaches and Mr. Days, Athletic Director, on a great job. It was mentioned that the Veterans Day Program was also excellent.

Board Member Comments

None

Adjournment

Mr. Drake adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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