

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
JUNE 11, 2014

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

Member Absent: Jerry Drake

President Linda Isgrigg called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. in the board room of the administrative office. She led the pledge to the United States Flag.

**Public Comments**

None

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings with changes to Special Meeting**

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded. Carried 6-0

**Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers**

Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 6-0

**Business & Financial Report**

Mrs. Isgrigg informed the board that the financial report was in their packet along with the Extracurricular and Cafeteria Reports. No questions were asked.

**New Business**

**A. Approval to accept \$593.00 donation from Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church and \$2,157.00 from Dr. Charles Taylor directly to leadership camp.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

**B. Approval for FCA to attend leadership conference on July 21-23 at Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, Indiana.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded. Carried 6-0

**C. Approval of Prairie Farms' contract for milk on an escalating/de-escalating scale.**

**D. Also, approval of Aunt Millie's Bakeries contract for bread.** Both C. and D. Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 6-0

**E. Approval of the Jr./Sr. High School textbook rental and fees.** Mr. Rush moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 6-0

**F. Approval to contract with Educational Services Company for the 2015 budget Consultation not to exceed \$750.00.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded. Carried 6-0

- G. Approval to apply for Title I and Title IIA federal grants.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 6-0
- H. Approval to accept MK Locker Service's bid for \$7,073.50 to repaint lockers at the Jr./Sr. High School.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 6-0
- I. Approval to accept the 2015 Indiana School Security Matching Grant of \$35,000.00.** Mrs. Yeend moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

**J. Other**

**Mrs. Maurer asked that the board approve the quote from Green-Owens Insurance for workers-comp., auto, property and umbrella insurance for \$72,156.** It only raised \$28 from last year. Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 6-0

**Mrs. Maurer recommended approval to hold summer school classes for Supervised Agriculture Experience.** Mr. Rush moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

**Reports and Presentations**

**Principal Report**

Mr. Chase said that 98% of the sophomores passed the Algebra I standardized test. He also mentioned that in 2012 we only had 3 (Pass +) this year we have 14 (Pass+). He also mentioned retests are at a 42.5% pass rate. We only have 3 seniors that haven't passed their Algebra I ECA. Focus groups are ready for next school year.

Mr. Edwards informed the board that the elementary increased overall on the ISTEP in every area. Summer school will start on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Seven students are enrolled. Three of the students were within 4 points of passing. Mr. Edwards is conducting interviews for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers on June 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Athletic Director Reports**

Mr. Days informed the board about elementary athletics. No purchases were made and they finished the year with over \$22,000.00 in the black.

Some highlights for the high school: Jr. High soccer had a perfect 11-0 record; 3 runners qualified for Regionals and 1 runner qualified for Semi-State; 8<sup>th</sup> grade and varsity volleyball teams were county champs. Winter sports-Varsity girls county champs and MHC Champs; C team boys back to back county champs; girls basketball Shelby County player of the year-Annie Thomas. Spring sports-girls tennis won the Indian Creek invitational; girls softball best record in school history-had enough players to create a JV team; baseball best record in the past 10 years. Other players recognized: JT Sipes Shelby County soccer player of the year; Haley Temple Shelby County runner of the year.

Mr. Days also mentioned that 70% of Freshman; 65% of Sophomore, 60% Juniors, and 45% Seniors are involved in athletics. Currently there are 36 coaching positions and 14 teachers have filled those positions.

Financially the athletic department is in the black. It has doubled since July 1<sup>st</sup> from \$13,000 to \$26,479.96. This year Mr. Chase and Mr. Days did not hire anyone else to do the supervision. We added more student ticket takers. Home attendance has increased as we advertise more to our students and implement a cheer block where the kids can get in free to games. We have also eliminated ASSIGNORS for all officials. Thanks to Mr. Ingels for helping in so many ways this past school year.

Goals for next year: Working towards getting girls golf going again and adding a few JV soccer games. We are looking at purchasing new uniforms for our baseball, soccer, volleyball and cross country this year. We are going to try to implement a Hall of Fame for athletics. We would also like to improve our volleyball and softball facilities.

#### Attendance

Mr. Days said that we have a record low 657 tardies for this past school year. In 2012 we had 1,437 tardies and in 2009 there were 1,798 tardies. It has never been under 1000. The rule on taking away driving privileges a few times has helped with that. We still have issues with 1<sup>st</sup> period tardies and will tighten that up next school year. Attendance for the 2013-14 school year was 96.62%. That is the highest percentage on record.

#### Superintendent Report

Mrs. Maurer informed the board that we currently have 41 out of district students coming to Southwestern. Last year we had 27. Facia is being painted on the high school. The administration office will be getting new carpet soon. There will be lots of items to move for that project. Other projects coming up are: 2015 budget, Title I 2014-15, Title IIA 2014-15.

#### Personnel

##### **A. Staff Leaves/Resignations/Terminations**

- Resignation of Dave Stevens as Facilities Manager effective 07-31-14.
- Resignation of Joseph Ralston as Counselor/Assistant Principal effective 07-31-14.
- Resignation of Charlie Taylor as boys Jr. High track coach.
- Retirement of Eleanor Columbe as Elementary Teacher effective 07-31-14.

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

##### **B. Recommendations to Hire**

- Piper Hottell as Counselor for 199 days at \$42,667. The amount is her current daily rate for 199 days plus an additional \$2,000.

Mrs. Yeend moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 6-0

- Matt Campbell as academic teach coach.
- Chad Evans girls JV basketball coach.

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

-Brady Days as Athletic Director/Assistant Principal for 205 days at \$60,000.00 plus administrator benefits.

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Yeend seconded. Carried 6-0

**Public Comments**

None

**Superintendent's Comments**

Mrs Maurer thanked the staff members for their service to Southwestern. She also welcomed new staff.

**Board Comments**

Mr. Rush brought up the electric bill and asked if lights were being shut off if rooms are not being used. He also asked if the air conditioners were still running.

**Adjournment**

Mrs. Isgrigg adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. An executive meeting followed the regular session to discuss Neola policies.