

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
July 15, 2015

Members Present: Mike Burbrink, Jim Emerick , Jerry Erwin, Linda Isgrigg,  
David Rush and Susan Smith

Member Absent: Jerry Drake

President Linda Isgrigg called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 Meeting**

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Erwin seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Carried 6-0

**Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers**

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Emerick seconded the motion to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented. Carried 6-0

**Business & Financial Report**

Mrs. Isgrigg informed the board that the financial report was in their packet.

Mrs. Bedwell explained to the board that starting in March our checking account is being ~~swee~~swept which means that the amount over \$500,000.00 is moved to our savings account and earns .20 basis points each evening.

**New Business**

- A. Approval for the superintendent to begin informal collective bargaining through July 31<sup>st</sup> and begin formal collective bargaining on August 1, 2015.** Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 6-0
- B. Appointment of board member(s) to serve on the collective bargaining team.** Mr. Burbrink and Mrs. Isgrigg volunteered. Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Emerick seconded. Carried 6-0
- C. Approval to renew the position bonds of the Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, ECA Treasurers and Cafeteria cashiers and Food Service Director.** Mr. Emerick moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 6-0
- D. Approval to authorize the superintendent to hire additional staff as needed to begin school with those staff hires to be presented at the August 12, 2015 board meeting.** Mr. Rush moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0
- E. Acceptance of a donation from the Southwestern Athletic Booster Club for \$506.75 to pay for athletic awards.** Mr. Emerick moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

## **F. Other**

**Permission to apply for Greenhouse grants.** Mr. Rush moved and Mrs. Smith Seconded.  
Carried 6-0

## **Reports and Presentations**

### **A. Principal Reports**

Mr. Chase was absent.

Mr. Edwards informed the board that on July 23<sup>rd</sup> he and Mr. Chase and their principal cohort will be meeting with three different companies regarding formative assessment options. This will help them determine which formative assessments we want to use this coming school year.

### **B. Athletic Director Report**

Mr. Days updated the board on the highlights of the Fall Season:

Boys were Cross Country County Champs and Conference Champs. Two runners, Hayden Veach and Nick Yeend, went on to the Semi State. Two girl runners, Madeline Correll and Lauren Taylor, qualified for Regionals. Nick Yeend was the best runner in the County and also the best in the MHC! We also had the Best Volleyball player in the County, Casey Tennell, along with back to back County Champs in Volleyball. Our boys were Tennis County Champs. Charlie Taylor and Chris Lakes were named Coach of the Year in Track and Tennis respectively. Our Soccer team played 7 JV games. The Soccer Program is continuing to grow. We fielded a Girls Golf Team for the first time in 8-10 years. For many of these golfers, this is their only sport so it just gives more kids an opportunity to excel outside the classroom.

#### Winter Season :

- Bryce Rowe currently has 1005 career points
- Pep Band played at 95% of our games. Mr. Days noted that this was the most games the pep band had played at since he has been at Southwestern
- Our student section is getting better

#### Spring Season:

Softball tied last year's win mark for most wins in school history. Baseball tied win amount from last year, which was the most in the past 10 years. Boys Golf were County Champs back to back and the Boys Track Team were also County Champs. The high jump record was broken by Brooke Ezell. We had three boys make Regionals and one girl qualified for State.

The athletic department for both of our schools is in the black financially. We also gave over \$5,000 to our students and staff for working at games as ticket takers. Mr. Days thanked the board for waiving the 2015-16 athletic transportation fee and said that this will help the Athletic Department financially.

Big purchases that were made in the past year were:

- Window art
- Spartan 300 sign
- 10 new Padded Spartan chairs
- Ice Machine
- New Baseball, Softball, Soccer, Volleyball and Cross Country uniforms
- Wireless Scoreboard controls in all our athletics scoreboards

- Added another Volleyball court
- A Trainer that has help supervise the weight room this summer, something new and something that really helped some of our athletes.
- Portable basketball goals from the elementary budget.
- Elem cheerleading uniforms-first time we ever purchased these.

#### Upcoming goals

- Implementing a Hall of Fame for athletics
- Boys Basketball is up for uniforms (5 years)
- Softball facilities: the past 2 years we have spent over \$4,000.00 to play softball away from campus.

#### Attendance:

School Attendance was 96.77% which was the highest on record. Last year was 96.62%. The incentive program seemed to be working. Mr. Days also commented that the staff did a good job of being in the hallway and interacting with our students. He stated that our goal is still 97% and felt they are right on target to meet this goal.

#### Tardies:

185 1st  
179 2nd  
205 3rd  
149 4th

**718 Total Tardies**-----Last year was a **School Record 657.**

415 of the tardies are 1st period 58% of tardies are 1st period-----#1 focus next year.

#### Discipline:

127 Write ups. Students received discipline ranging from ISS, Detention, Loss of driving privileges, to Suspension

#### Athletic Bus Trips:

2013-14 We took 150 trips  
2014-15 We took 299 trips

#### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Maurer informed the board about the A-F grading system for 2014-2015. She explained that since the test was new last year, there was nothing to compare it to. The state has developed 12 options which could be used to determine districts' 2014-15 grades. The State Board of Education will select one of the options.

**Testing date and details-**The state will provide a non-competitive grant this year to pay for formative assessments selected by each district. The state will allow districts to spend \$17.45 per student in grades 3-10. If the entire \$17.45 per test for 3<sup>rd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> graders isn't spent by the district, the leftover money may be used to purchase formative assessments for K-2 students.

**Blue River Vocational Budget-**The BRCP budget for 2016 has increased .95% but Southwestern's revenues are not going up. Last year our BRCP bill was \$85,848.00. This coming year they have budgeted \$89,000.00 that we will owe. It costs about \$6,000.00 per student for our students to attend for a half day but we do not receive that much money per student from the state. It costs Southwestern

more per student than the other districts at BRCP because we don't have as many students that attend.

At the June meeting Mr. Rush recommended that we check on a card system for fuel management. Dr. Maurer shared that we followed up and the quote we received was approximately \$2,000.00 for installation and 10 cards. We would need at least 40 cards. Dr. Maurer explained the process that the drivers currently follow to get fuel and after the board meeting she took the board members out to the bus garage to show them our system.

## **Personnel**

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

- Resignation of Ronda Barbieri as a special education teacher effective immediately.
- Resignation of Holly Blake as Assistant Cheerleading Coach.
- Resignation of Roxa Deaton and Chastity Kelley non-certified employees, will move to substitute list.

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

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

- Taylor Meredith as 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Boys Basketball & 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Soccer
- Vicki Beach-Varsity Volleyball
- Alan Abel-Varsity Softball
- Josh Sipes-Varsity Soccer
- Katie Fix-Varsity Cheerleading
- Jim Beyer-1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Softball
- Gary Muldoon-Varsity Boys Golf, Girls Golf, and Volunteer Boys Basketball
- Charlie Taylor-Varsity Boys Track, Varsity Cross Country, and Jr. Class Sponsor
- Brian Ebersold-Volunteer Boys Tennis
- Doyle Swanson-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball
- Kylee Mitchell-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball
- Katie Mudd-7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball
- Courtney Davis-Jr. High Cheerleading
- Chris Clark-Jr. High Cross Country
- Annie Nasby-Elementary Cheerleading
- Randee Taylor-Jr. Class Sponsor, Spring & Fall Concessions
- Carey Nigh-High School Drama
- Shannon Gaudin-High School Drama
- Anna Weinantz-Elementary Student Council

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

- Mary Engel to become a cafeteria worker at 10 hours per week to replace Roxa Deaton
- Emily Haugh-special education teacher in the elementary lifeskills classroom at \$33,500.00.

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

**C. Other**

Recommend approval of a paid teacher’s disciplinary leave for half day on August 29, and all day on September 2 and 3, 2014. Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Emerick seconded. Carried 6-0

**Superintendent Comments**

Dr. Maurer invited the board members to the opening day breakfast on August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8 a.m.

**Board Member Comments**

Mrs. Smith, Mr. Burbrink and Mrs. Isgrigg welcomed Emily Haugh and thanked Mr. Days and Mr. Edwards for the great work that they are doing.

Mrs. Isgrigg adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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