

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
August 9, 2017

Members Present: Travis Beck, Jerry Drake, Jim Emerick, Linda Isgrigg, Susan Smith and Isaac Pile

Member Absent: Jerry Erwin

**I. Call to Order**

**A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States**

President Linda Isgrigg called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. in the Administration Office of Southwestern CSD of Shelby County. She led the pledge to the United States flag.

**B. Welcome, introductions and recognitions**

President Linda Isgrigg welcomed everyone in attendance.

**II. Public Comments**

None

**III. Consent Items and Claims**

**A. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting**

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Emerick seconded the motion to approve the minutes of previous meetings. Carried 6-0

**B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers**

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Beck seconded the motion to approve the accounts payable vouchers. Carried 6-0

**IV. Business & Financial Report**

**A. Financial Report**

Mrs. Isgrigg informed the board that the financial report was in their packets. No questions were asked regarding the report.

**B. Extracurricular and Cafeteria Account Report**

Mrs. Isgrigg stated that the extracurricular and cafeteria reports were in their packets. Mr. Beck asked if the cafeteria prepay account had been fixed. Dr. Maurer explained that there had been some problems with the Lunchbox Program. The amount of money from prepay and what was owed to the cafeteria were not posted correctly. Dr. Maurer said that she would talk to Mrs. Elliott about the problem and get it resolved.

## **V. New Business**

**A. Second Reading of the new, revised, replacement Neola policies Volume 29, No. 2 (including the June 2017 Tech Phase II & III), the new Small Unmanned Aircraft and the Special Update of July 2017, and the June 2017 Tech Phase II & III.** Mr. Emerick moved and Mrs. Smith seconded.  
Carried 6-0

**B. Recommend the acceptance of donations**

- \$50.00 from Mt. Auburn Christian Church for the Spartan Cupboard

Mr. Emerick moved and Mr. Isaac seconded. Carried 6-0

**C. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to shift a portion of contractual bus costs to the bus replacement fund.** Mr. Beck moved and Mr. Pile seconded. Carried 6-0

**D. Recommend appointment of a board member to attend ISBA/IAPSS Fall Conference on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.** None of the board members volunteered.

**E. Recommend approval for the superintendent to begin informal bargaining through September 14<sup>th</sup> and begin formal bargaining September 15<sup>th</sup>.** Mr. Beck moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

**F. Recommend the appointment of board representatives to the collective bargaining team.** Linda Isgrigg, Isaac Pile and Jim Emerick volunteered.

### **Other**

None

## **VI. Reports & Presentations**

### **A. Principal Reports**

Mr. Chase spoke about the, "Every Student Succeed Act". He said that a general diploma would count as a dropout on the graduation rate. Mr. Chase said that we would do what is best for our kids and not worry about the school grade.

Mr. Edwards told the board that school was off to a great start and enrollment was up. He stated that Ms. Madden, Preschool Teacher, has been a great addition to the staff. He also talked about the wonderful Southwestern community by describing an incident in which one of our students needed art supplies to complete an assignment and the supplies were given to the student by one of our bus drivers.

**B. Facilities/Maintenance Directors Report**

Mr. Cooper informed the board that groundbreaking on the Greenhouse would be held on Monday at 3:30 and everyone was invited to attend.

**C. Superintendent Report**

Dr. Maurer informed the board that enrollment was holding steady. Out of district enrollment has increased. Numbers are decreasing when we graduate our seniors and a smaller class comes into Kindergarten. Mrs. Chase will be looking into where our previous students are going and what we can do to increase enrollment.

**VII. Personnel**

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

- Resignation of Katie Finch as special education teacher
- Resignation of Ken Wilson as secondary math teacher
- Resignation of Ali Fix as 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball coach

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

**B. Recommendations to Hire**

- John Werbe as special education teacher for \$32,000.00
- Jill Cain as volunteer varsity volleyball coach
- Brittany Schaler as varsity softball coach
- McKinley Choate as the varsity assistant softball coach
- Macy Madden as elementary cheer coach
- Ali Fix as 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball coach
- Brisha Dunbar as a cafeteria worker

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Emerick seconded. Carried 6-0

**C. Other**

None

**VIII. Superintendent Comments**

Dr. Maurer offered her condolences to Mr. Emerick on the passing of his sister-in-law. She also reminded everyone that Monday at 3:30 would be the groundbreaking for the Greenhouse. Dr. Maurer reminded the board members that next Monday at 6 pm would be the permission to advertise meeting.

**IX. Board Member Comments**

Mrs. Smith thanked the staff for their hard work. Mrs. Isgrigg read the thank you note from the family of Venessia Emerick.

**X. Adjournment**

Mrs. Isgrigg adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.
