# SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES August 14, 2019

Members Present: Travis Beck, Michael Burbrink, Jerry Drake, Jim Emerick, Linda Isgrigg, and Isaac Pile

Member not Present: Susan Smith

#### I. Call to Order

# A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

President Jim Emerick called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Administration Office of Southwestern CSD of Shelby County. He led the pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

### B. Welcome, introductions and recognitions

President Jim Emerick welcomed everyone in attendance.

#### **II. Public Comment**

None

#### III. Consent Items & Claims

## A. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting

Mr. Beck moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded the motion to approve the minutes of previous meeting. Carried 6-0

## B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers

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

## IV. Business & Financial Report

## A. Financial Report

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

## B. Extracurricular and Cafeteria Report

Mr. Emerick informed the board that the extracurricular and cafeteria reports were in their packets. No questions were asked regarding the reports.

#### V. New Business

# A. Request permission to post on the DLGF Gateway the Notice of Hearing on September 11, 2019

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 6-0

B. Request permission to post Capital Projects Plan and Bus Replacement Plan on the district's website

Mrs. Isgrigg and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 6-0

- C. Recommend the acceptance of donations and grants
- \$1500 presented from the Kyle Barlow family for the FFA
- \$200 from James and Barbara Chambers for the cafeteria Angel Fund
- \$1000 from Lewis Creek Wesleyan Church for the cafeteria Angel Fund
- \$50 from Mt. Auburn Christian Church for the Spartan Cupboard
- \$175 from Mike DeArmitt's baseball team to Charity Elliott for working concessions who in turn donated the funds to the breakfast fund
- \$38,998 from Title V Mr. Beck moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 6-0
- D. Recommend adoption of the SRO/Law Enforcement Officer job description Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 6-0
- E. Recommend approval to enter into a contract with Schmidt Associates to serve as the architects for the proposed fieldhouse project upon review with Mr. Harrold and approval of review

Mr. Drake moved and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 6-0

F. Recommend an increase in hourly CDL driver rates

\$30 per hour for CDL drivers in buses with 66 passenger capacity and \$28 per hour for CDL drivers in buses with less that 66 passenger capacity, effective July 31, 2019

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

- G. Recommend a minimum of 2 hours of pay for hourly drivers for driving a morning route or an afternoon route effective August 1, 2019

  Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 6-0
- H. Recommend a resolution for Paula Maurer, Superintendent, to sign agreements for alternative services and private residential school placements for the Board of Trustees of Southwestern Consolidated School District of Shelby County

Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 6-0

I. Other

Recommend approval of rate increase for law enforcement officers to \$35 per hour effective August 1, 2019

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 6-0

Recommend change in the dates for the FFA to attend the Farm Progress

Show's soil contest in Decatur IL from August 26 & 27, 2019 to August 27& 28, 2019. This out of state field trip was previously approved, only the dates have changed.

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

Dr. Maurer asked if the board wanted to appoint a member to attend the ISBA/IAPSS Fall Conference on September 30 & October 1. No one was appointed.

Dr. Maurer asked if any board members would like to be part of the informal negotiating team, Mrs. Isgrigg volunteered.

## VI. Reports and Presentations

A. Principal's Report

Mr. Chase informed the board members about the shortage of game officials due to overall fan behavior and how this was being addressed by the ISHAA. Mr. Chase reported that Mr. Days had created a presentation that explained the required paperwork and expected fan behavior and consequences. This presentation had been sent to households of all students grades 7-12. Mr. Chase reported to the board that at the end of the previous school year teachers were asked to set goals for things that he could work on this school year with them to improve the work environment. One item that had been implemented was nominating a teacher of the week. The teacher for each week received a traveling trophy to display throughout the week and the information was placed on social media. He reported that the students were very involved in the nomination process. Mr. Chase reported that the teachers had been issuing yellow tickets to students whom teachers felt had shown good improvement or responsibility. These tickets were placed in a drawing and each Friday three tickets were chosen as winners who received a prize at the end of the day.

Mr. Edwards reported to the board that through the Lilly Counseling Grant they were focusing on PBIS(positive behavior interventions and support). The elementary school was trying to focus on students who set examples of having done the right things and showed good sportsmanship. The student of the month was chosen for character not just grades earned. Quarterly awards were also implemented and included special awards and recognition at an assembly. This is used to showcase the talents and hard work of all students not solely those who make the best grades.

B. Superintendent Report

Dr. Maurer shared with the board that the school district had been able to comply with the new law effective July 1, 2019 that required students who lived on a U.S. or state route to be picked up and dropped off on the right side of the road. Dr. Maurer let the board know that the bus routes had been adjusted to accommodate the students on State Roads 252, 9, and 44. Dr. Maurer informed

the board members that the ILEARN scores would be out on August 15, but the scores would be embargoed for a time. Dr. Maurer provided board members with a handout from the Indiana DOE that discussed the ILEARN scores.

#### VII. Personnel

## A. Staff Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

- Resignation of Kassie Utley as JV volleyball coach
- Resignation of Janie Kessler as instruction aide
- Retirement of Teresa Cochran as cafeteria worker
   Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 6-0

#### B. Recommendations to hire

- Ashley Verseman as elementary teacher and as JV volleyball coach
- Caleb Tennell as a part time instructional aide
- Katie Garrett as co-director of the SWHS Drama Club
- Amy Pfanschmidt and Andrew Oswalt as co-advisors of the junior high and high school Student Councils
- Alexandria Fix as CARE Club Director
- Ashley Stone and Amanda Bard from substitute cafeteria workers to part time cafeteria workers effective August 12
- Mark Bogemann as hourly bus driver for route 8 and Blue River for a maximum of 5.5 hours per day
- Stacy Baute as volunteer 6<sup>th</sup> grade sponsor
- Samantha Pittman and Casey Tennell as volunteer volleyball coaches
- Stacy Baute as technology coach
   Mr. Beck move and Mr. Pile seconded. Carried 6-0

#### C. Other

Mr. Cooper provided the board members with an update to current facilities projects including the new red fence toppers. He explained that IDEM had mentioned the water system at the elementary would need to be inspected and monitored regularly due to the age of the system. Mr. Cooper explained that other projects in the works included roof inspections, tennis court annual maintenance, and work to the softball field.

# VIII. Superintendent Comments

None

### IX. Board Member Comments

Mr. Burbrink informed the board that Mrs. Cochran would like to thank the board and school corporation for all of the support that she had received during her years of employment at Southwestern.

Χ.	Adjournment  Mr. Emerick adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.