

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
January 12, 2022

Members Present: Jerry Drake, Jim Emerick, Isaac Pile, and Linda Isgrigg
Members Not Present: Travis Beck, Michael Burbrink, and 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 7:01 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. Reorganization of the Board of School Trustees

A. Election of Board Officers

- Mr. Pile nominated Mr. Emerick as board president
Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 3-0-1, Mr. Emerick abstained.
- Mr. Pile nominated Mrs. Isgrigg as board vice-president
Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 3-0-1, Mrs. Isgrigg abstained.
- Mr. Pile nominated Mrs. Smith as board secretary
Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

B. Appointment of Blue River Career Program Representative

Mrs. Isgrigg nominated Mr. Beck as Blue River Career Program Representative, Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

C. Appointment of School Attorney, Board Executive Secretary, District Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, High School and Elementary ECA Treasurers

Mr. Chase recommended the following:
Attorney: Dennis Harrold, Board Executive Secretary & District Treasurer: Bonnie Thopy, Deputy Treasurer: Belinda Head, High School ECA Treasurer: Amber Mitchell, Elementary ECA Treasurer: Candy Hudson
Mr. Drake moved and Mr. Pile seconded. Carried 4-0

D. Set the Board and Board Secretary Salaries

Recommend \$2,000 per year for board members and \$45 per meeting for the secretary.

Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

E. Adoption of the Annual Board Calendar and Location of Meetings

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

III. Public Comments

None

IV. Consent Items and Claims

A. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

V. Business and Financial Reports

A. Financial Report

Mr. Emerick informed the board that the financial reports were 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 report.

VI. New Business

A. Recommend the acceptance of donations and grants

- Recommend the acceptance of \$1,000 from the Stamper family to the FFA.
- Recommend the acceptance of \$25 from Treva Whitis for the Spartan Cupboard.
- Recommend the acceptance of \$3,000 from the Shelby County Commissioners from the Tindall Farm Budget to be donated to the Spartan Cupboard.
- Recommend the acceptance of \$50 from Mt. Auburn Christian Church to be donated to the Spartan Cupboard.

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

B. Recommend the approval of the ESSER III Grant Funds to be used for Quality Roofing Specialists to complete the roof project at \$443,300 and an updated Firewall at \$9,300 for the corporation

Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Pile seconded. Carried 4-0

C. Recommend the second reading of the NEOLA Corporation Wellness Policy

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

D. Recommend the approval to cancel outstanding checks that have not cleared the bank within two years of the date of issue

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

E. Recommend the approval of the Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

F. Recommend the approval of the 2022 contract for the school attorney

Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

G. Recommend the approval to pay Nading Mechanical up to \$15,422.00 to be used out of the fieldhouse contingency fund to fix the ponding

on the west side of campus

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

H. Recommend the approval of the updated substitute teacher handbook

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

I. Recommend the approval of the Transportation Conduct Rules

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 4-0

J. Other

- Recommend the approval of the Spartan Nation Collaboration Plan document as presented

Mr. Drake moved and Mr. Pile seconded. Carried 4-0

- Recommend the approval to replace the water heater at the high school at a cost not to exceed \$14,000

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

VII. Reports and Presentations

A. Principal Reports

Mr. Chase provided a handout, in Mr. Edwards' absence, to the board members concerning data from the elementary ClearSite assessment testing. Mr. Chase explained that this was the first big assessment to be given at the elementary school this school year. He indicated that a second assessment would be held in the spring when they will be able to monitor growth from the current assessment.

Mr. Tindall provided a handout to board members concerning the IXL pilot program that had been implemented at the high school. He explained to the board members that the Jr/ Sr High school staff were participating at that time in a pilot program from IXL Learning. He explained how the program worked individually for each student to help with their weak areas to close the learning gap.

Facilities manager, Mr. Travis Oliver was introduced to the board members by superintendent Curt Chase. Mr. Oliver gave an update on the gym floor in the fieldhouse.

B. Superintendent Report

Mr. Chase shared with board members the responses to the survey he had sent to out of district parents concerning what they liked best about Southwestern and what improvements they would like to see. He informed the board members that small school size and small class sizes were the highest ranked areas from the survey.

VIII. Personnel

A. Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

- Recommend FMLA for Any Pfanschmidt retroactive to 11/30/2021 through 12/17/2021
- Recommend the resignation of Brian Ebersold as Girls Varsity Tennis Coach
Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

B. Recommendations to Hire

- Recommend the approval of Leah Schoolcraft as lead cook at the high school retroactive to 1/3/2022.
Mr. Drake moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 4-0

C. Other

Mr. Chase shared the current student COVID positivity rate was 0.83 percent with 1.8 percent of students out for close contact quarantine. He also informed the board members that the new 5 day recommendation given by the CDC had been implemented.

IX. Superintendent Comments

None

X. Board Member Comments

None

XI. Adjournment

Mr. Emerick adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

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