

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
October 14, 2015

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

President Linda Isgrigg called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Southwestern Jr./Sr. High School Media Center. She led the pledge to the United States Flag.

Public Comments

None

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Mr. Drake moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Carried 7-0

Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers

Mr. Drake moved and Mr. Emerick seconded the motion to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented. Carried 7-0

Business & Financial Report

Mrs. Isgrigg informed the board that the financial report was in their packet. There were no questions.

New Business

A. Second Reading of New/Revised/Replacement Policies: 0100, 0130 (0131.1) (0131.2), 0140 (0144.3) (0144.4) (0144.5), 1130, 1214, 2410, 2421, 2423, 2430, 2461 (new), 3113 (new), 3120.08, 3140, 3214, 3410.04 (delete), 4113, 4140, 4214, 5540, 5610, 5610.2, 6320, 6460, 8390, 8500, 9700.01 (new)

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Smith seconded the motion to approve the new/revised/replacement policies as presented. Carried 7-0

B. Recommend adoption of the 2015-16 Goals for Expenditure Categories. Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Emerick seconded. Carried 7-0

C. Recommend the approval of the following resolutions:

- Resolution to adopt 2016 budget appropriations and tax rates.
- Resolution to adopt the 2016-18 Capital Projects Plan.
- Resolution to adopt the 2016-2027 Bus Replacement Plan.
- Resolution to Authorize Reductions if needed.
- Resolution of Tax Neutrality
- Resolution to transfer Capital Project Fund appropriations among different classifications than originally designated by the 2015 CPF plan.

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 7-0.

D. Recommend approval of the 2015-16 fundraisers as submitted.

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0

E. Recommend approval of the following FFA overnight field trips:

- Leadership Camp in Trafalgar, IN on November 13-15, 2015
- Leadership Camp in Trafalgar, IN on November 20-22, 2015

Mr. Emerick moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0

F. Recommend acceptance of the following:

- Donation of 18 computer monitors valued at \$360 from Rob Yeend.
- Donation of \$722.00 for FCA from Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church.
- Donation of \$100.00 for the FFA from Mike Dooley Pest Control.
- State High Ability Grant funds in the amount of \$27,566
- Federal Title IIA Grant funds in the amount of \$33,404

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 7-0

G. Recommend approval of a 2% increase in the hourly rate for cafeteria workers effective at the beginning of the next pay period.

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0

H. Recommend approval of a \$2000 stipend to each of the building principals to serve as co-coordinators of the High Ability Program along with the Superintendent.

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Emerick seconded. Carried 7-0

I. Recommend approval of the superintendent's contract as advertised. Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 5-2 (Mr. Erwin and Mr. Rush voted against)

Reports and Presentations

A. H.J. Umbaugh and Associates – Belvia Gray from Umbaugh reported to the board on Southwestern's position for leasing bonds either in 2016 or 2017. She mentioned that the difference between leasing in 2016 or 2017 would be the expense of another year's interest. The projects should determine when we want to lease the bonds. She also mentioned that in her opinion it would be cheaper in 2016 than in 2017.

B. Let it Shine Lighting

Jeff Goldsberry from Let it Shine Lighting made his presentation to the board. He also demonstrated the LED lighting. There was much discussion regarding the lighting. It was mentioned that when the lights were purchased for the gymnasium at the high school they were supposed to work well but the gymnasium is still very dark. It was determined that at this time Mr. Hancock and Mr. Rush would visit a school that is using this lighting system and they will report back to the board.

C. Principal Reports

Mr. Chase presented an article to the board regarding ISTEP scores. According to the article, over half of Indiana schools were awarded As in the state's accountability system and only 12.8% received Ds and Fs. Those figures will flip this year if the DOE estimates are correct.

Mr. Edwards reported on the great success of the book fair. He also mentioned that signs were made to advertise the A grade that Southwestern received last year.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Maurer spoke on the banners that were purchased when Mr. Edwards brought it up during his report. She did not have anything further to report.

Personnel

A. Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

None

B. Recommendations to Hire

- Jamie Dunn as full time maintenance/custodial at \$11.50 per hour effective September 10, 2015.
- Clayton Portich as girls varsity 1st assistant.
- Jama Schmitt as a substitute for Mrs. Seale’s maternity leave.
- Justin Hartsell as the 6th grade boys’ ~~baseball~~ basketball coach.
- Dave Blondell as the 5th grade girls’ basketball volunteer assistant.
- Cam Elliott as the 8th grade girls’ basketball coach.
- Mike Jessup as a fulltime custodian at \$11.50 per hour effective 10-12-15.

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0

C. Other

None

Superintendent Comments

Dr. Maurer reported on three new Spartans. Mrs. Kingen had Graham and Emaline on October 1st. Mrs. Seale had Bristol on October 13th. Also, congratulations to Mrs. Umberger (Summers) on her marriage on September 26th.

Board Member Comments

None

Mrs. Isgrigg adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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