
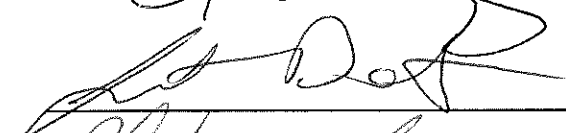
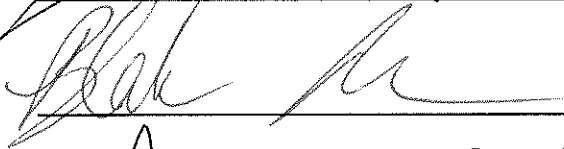
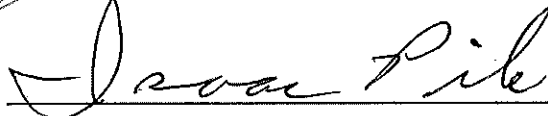



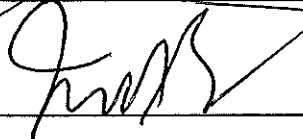
SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
EXECUTIVE SESSION

July 17, 2024  
5:30 pm

Members Present: Travis Beck, Jonathan Deater, Blake Newkirk, Isaac Pile, Dustin Simpson, Brad Stamper, and Derrek Tennell

The board met in executive session before the regular board meeting. The only items discussed were as advertised.

  
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SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
Special Work Session

July 17, 2024

Members Present: Travis Beck, Jonathan Deater, Blake Newkirk, Isaac Pile, Dustin Simpson, Brad Stamper, and Derrek Tennell

**Call to Order**

Board President Derrek Tennell called the Special Work Session to order at 6:33 p.m. in the Southwestern Administration Building. Mr. Tennell let everyone know that this meeting was only being held as an informational gathering session.

**I. New Business**

**A. Discussion of Issuing Bonds to Finance Facility Needs**





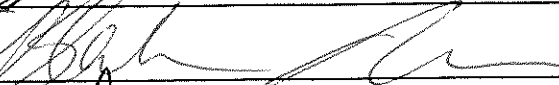

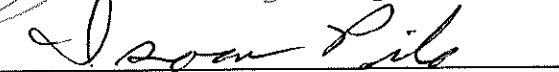
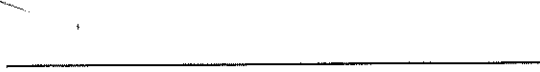
Terry Lancer from Lancer Associates Architecture presented board members the results of a study that had been completed showing the facilities updates needed on campus.

Tyler Loeffelholz from Baker-Tilly spoke with board members about the options available to be used for the needed facilities repairs by using funds from a bond issue. He explained the different criteria for a general obligation bond and how this compared to a lease bond.

Kristin McClellan from Ice-Miller legal counsel provided board members with potential timelines for each type of bond, and included information about who would be responsible for which items.

**III. Adjournment**

Mr. Tennell adjourned the special work session at 7:36 p.m.

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**I. Call to Order**

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

President Tennell called the meeting to order at 7:44 p.m. in the Southwestern Consolidated Administration building. He led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

**B. Welcome, introductions and recognitions**

Derrek Tennell welcomed everyone in attendance. He explained that a work session had been held before the regular meeting to gather information on the possibility of a new bond issue for facilities repair. Dr. Wilkins added that no action had been taken at the work session and that the only purpose of the meeting was to gather information.

**II. Agenda Modifications**

Added approval of staff and student handbooks for the Elementary and Jr/ Sr High School.

**III. Public Comments**

Mr. Paul Baute thanked the summer feed and read program employees for coordinating with Mt. Auburn Christian Church to provide a stop for the students who had attended vacation bible school the previous week.

**IV. Consent Items and Claims**

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

**B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers**

Mr. Beck moved and Mr. Stamper seconded for both items A and B. Carried 7-0.

**V. Business and Financial Reports**

**A. Financial Report**

Dr. Wilkins informed the board that the financial reports were in their packets. No questions were asked regarding the report.

**B. Extracurricular and Cafeteria Report**

Dr. Wilkins 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**

a. Donation of \$50.00 from Mt. Auburn Christian Church for the Spartan

Cupboard

- b. Donation from ~~the alumni association~~ Rosie Pung in the amount of \$25,000 for the High School.

Mr. Simpson moved and Mr. Deater seconded. Carried 7-0.

**B. Recommend approval of recurring monthly charge of \$2234.65 for Firstnet Data Plane through EPIC IO partner agent Lucidia IT.**

Mr. Stamper moved and Mrs. Newkirk seconded. Carried 7-0.

**C. Recommend approval of FFA Sponsor Stipend increase.**

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Beck seconded. Carried 7-0.

**D. Recommend approval of SLP services through a virtual provider.**

Mr. Deater moved and Mr. Pile seconded. Carried 7-0.

**E. Recommend to approve SLP Instructional Assistant position.**

Mrs. Newkirk moved and Mr. Simpson seconded. Carried 7-0.

**F. Recommend authority to the superintendent to hire staff as needed with candidates to be presented at the August Board meeting.**

Mr. Stamper moved and Mr. Simpson seconded. Carried 7-0.

**G. Recommend approval to pay Gregorek AV Consulting \$18,987 for work on the High School stage.** This is being paid by a donation from the alumni association. Mrs. Newkirk expressed her appreciation to ~~the alumni association~~ Mrs. Rosie Pung for the donation.

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Newkirk seconded. Carried 7-0.

**H. Recommend approval of the staff and student handbooks for the 24/25 school year.** These recommendations include updates to include the added cell phone policy once it has been adopted by the board members.

Mr. Beck moved and Mrs. Newkirk seconded. Carried 7-0.

**VII. Reports and Presentations**

None

**VIII. Personnel**

**A. Leaves/Resignations/Terminations**

- Recommend to accept the resignation of Tasha Norvell as library assistant at the elementary as of June 28, 2024
- Recommend to accept the resignation of Hayley Jones as Preschool Instructional Assistant from Southwestern Elementary School as of July 15, 2024

Mrs. Newkirk moved and Mr. Stamper seconded. Carried 7-0.

**B. Recommendations to Hire**

- Recommend hiring Zachary Sprout as Boys and Girls Assistant Tennis Coach.
- Recommend hiring Rob Taggart as Jr. High Girls Basketball Coach.
- Recommend hiring Keeziah Taylor for Full-time day custodian at \$15.75 per hour.

Mr. Beck moved and Mr. Simpson seconded. Carried 7-0.

**IX. Superintendent Comments**

Dr. Wilkins thanked the board members for the trust they have shown him by hiring him as superintendent. He reported that the first day for students was August 6, 2024, and that registration would be held July 23rd and 24th. Dr. Wilkins acknowledged Mrs. Rosie Pung and the alumni association for the improvements that had been completed at the high school. Mrs. Pung reminded everyone of the alumni reunion that would take place on July 20th. She stated that a business meeting of the alumni association would take place at 1:30, preceding the reunion at 2:00.

**X. Board Member Comments**


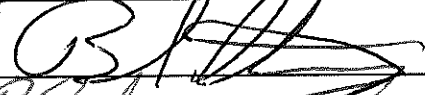


Mr. Pile commented that board members had received a lot of information and that they would review community impact from the information.



Mrs. Newkirk thanked everyone for attending the meeting and listening to all of the information presented.

Mr. Tennell commented that while he acknowledged that no one wants to have an impact on the tax rates, there is an obligation and responsibility to meet the needs of the students.

**XI. Adjournment**

Mr. Tennell adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

  
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