

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
April 13, 2016

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

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

**Public Comments**

None

**Consent Items and Claims**

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

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

**Business & Financial Report**

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

It was stated that the extracurricular and cafeteria reports were in the board packets.

**New Business**

**A. Additional Appropriation Hearing/**

**B. Adoption of Additional Appropriation Resolution**

Mr. Harrold informed the board that the bonds sold today and were purchased at a favorable rate by Hilliard Lyons. This additional appropriation needed to be approved so that the money can be spent. He added that the notice of this meeting was published in The Shelbyville News on March 22, 2016. Then Mr. Harrold asked if anyone would like to speak either for or against this appropriation or ask questions. He stated that the bond was for \$2 million and the money will be used for improvements and renovations to both the senior high school and the elementary school. He stated that the bond money would include the purchase of equipment for technology, safety and security upgrades, site improvements and the wastewater treatment plant. Mr. Harrold asked that the board approve the additional appropriation resolution for \$2 million that will be spent for the purposes described above. No questions were asked.

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 7-0

**C. Recommend approval of the fundraisers for both buildings.**

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

**D. Recommend adoption of the following math programs: MathXL at SWHS and Pearson enVisionmath2.0 Indiana at SWE.**

Mr. Erwin moved and Susan Smith seconded. Carried 7-0

**E. Recommend adoption of a resolution to transfer 2016 CPF Appropriation among different classifications within Location for \$50,000.00.** Mr. Erwin motioned and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0

**F. Recommend the extension of administrative contracts of Curtis Chase, Joshua Edwards, and Brady Days for an additional year.** Mr. Drake motioned and added that this would be an automatic rollover each year to keep them on 2 year contracts. Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0.

**G. Recommend acceptance of the following donations:**

- \$50.00 from Mt. Auburn Christian Church for the Spartan Cupboard.
- \$50.00 from Mt. Gilead Baptist Church for the Spartan Cupboard.
- \$100.00 from Southern Indiana Irrigation for the FFA.
- \$100.00 from the Shelby County Ag Promotion for the FFA.
- \$63.00 from the Southwestern Athletic Boosters Club to the Athletic Department for the winter athletic awards.
- \$559.68 from Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church for the FCA

Mr. Emerick moved and Mr. Erwin seconded. Carried 7-0

**H. Recommend the following professional leave requests:**

- Michele Bedwell and Bonnie Thopy to IASBO Annual Conference in French Lick, IN on May 12 & 13, 2016.
- Samuel Pfaff to AP Summer Institute at Western Kentucky University on June 27 – July 1, 2016.

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

**I. Recommend approval of the following lunch prices for the 2016-17 school year.** Southwestern Elementary \$2.70. and Southwestern High School \$2.80.

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

**J. Recommend approval of the following field trips:**

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Chicago, IL on Friday, May 6-7, 2016.
- FCA leaders to Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, IN on July 8-20, 2016.

Mr. Rush moved and Mr. Emerick seconded. Carried 7-0

**K. Recommend the acceptance of the Early Literacy Grant in the amount of \$7,390.00.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Erwin seconded. Carried 7-0

- L. Recommend adoption of revisions of the non-certified benefits.** Mr. Erwin moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0
- M. Recommend adoption of the job description of Summer Technology Assistant.** Mr. Erwin moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0
- N. Recommend approval to post a vacancy for a Summer Technology Assistant for a maximum of 20 hours per week for 5 weeks.** Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Erwin seconded. Carried 7-0
- O. Recommend adoption of the Substitute Teacher Handbook.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Emerick seconded. Carried 7-0
- P. Recommend adoption of revisions to the Southwestern High Ability Program's procedures and forms.** Mr. Erwin moved and Mr. Rush seconded. Carried 7-0
- Q. Recommend approval of a quote from Central Indiana Hardware to install a manually operated partition at Southwestern Elementary for \$54,480.00.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0
- R. Recommend approval to begin Southwestern C.A.R.E. (Childrens Art, Recreation, and Education Club for before and after school child care at the for the 2016-17 school year.** Christy Pappano presented information regarding this program to the board. Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0
- S. Other**  
**Recommend approval for Mr. Hancock to be moved to administrative insurance benefits.** Mr. Burbrink moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0

### **Food Service Director**

Mrs. Elliott, Food Service Director, made a presentation to the board. She said that there have not been many changes in the USDA regulations this year which has been a welcome change. She mentioned that the paid lunch equity tool she has currently been using to determine lunch and breakfast prices may be eliminated. This means that she would be free to determine the price. She stated that the cafeteria passed their administrative review, and food service was commended for a job well done. Mrs. Elliott was very honored to have been added to a list of Food Service mentors. She also told the board about some of her new recipes, and how she was utilizing the flat top grill at the elementary. She added that the catering business is doing well.

Mrs. Elliott stated that the Wellness Committee started a cooking club, "Cooking Matters", and the children will receive a recipe book at the end of the year. She said they have made pancakes with applesauce, banana pudding in a bag, meat loaves, omelettes, and lasagna. Also, last week during National Walking Day she said that 270 students and 30 staff members participated. Mrs. Elliott said the Colts videographer

came and Southwestern will be featured for the second time as the Colts School of the Week.

### **Principal's Report**

Mr. Chase thanked the board for his contract extension. He spoke on ISTEP testing and how seriously students took the test. He said that he asked teachers to notice if students were taking the test seriously and giving the tests their best effort. His final analysis was the out of 603 tests given among the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students 98.5% were taken seriously. Mr. Chase also spoke about a student that had taken the test in his office and informed him of how the questions could have been written better. Mr. Chase said that the student's thought processes were outstanding.

Mr. Edwards also thanked the board for his contract extension. He informed the board regarding kindergarten roundup. He stated numbers were close to what we have had in the past. He also said that ISTEP testing will be on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, and students would take the test in either their Math or English classes. He said that Spring Carnival is this Saturday from 11-4, and Waldron Elementary would be visiting tomorrow to see the things we are doing here.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Maurer explained the bond process to the board and stated that the winning underwriter submitted a bid with a bond premium of just under \$60,000.00. She said those are additional dollars the underwriter was willing to give to us to purchase the bonds. Dr. Maurer explained that one option was to take the \$60,000.00 and put it in the bond interest account and use it to make the next two bond payments or the second option, which the committee chose, was to decrease the borrowing amount by approximately \$60,000.00 so that the total proceeds received would not exceed \$2 million. She said the second option would decrease the principal payments in the last year of repayment (July 2022 and January 2023) and increase the principal payments in budget years 2019 through 2021 so that Southwestern's total payments remain steady. Because this was the more conservative option, this was the committee's choice.

### **Personnel**

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

- Laura Donadio as elementary teacher effective April 1, 2016.
- Chris Lakes as varsity boys' tennis coach.

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Erwin seconded. Carried 7-0

#### **B. Recommendations to Hire:**

- Karissa Lory as an elementary teacher for the 2016-17 school year at \$32,000.00.
- Lori Drake as art substitute needed for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year.
- Jama Schmitt as first grade substitute for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year.

- Logan Chamberlain as Essential Skills substitute from April 4<sup>th</sup> through May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- Ali Fix as a volunteer coach for basketball camp.

Mr. Burbrink moved and Mr. Erwin seconded. Carried 7-0

- Katie Finch as a essential skills teacher for the 2016-17 school year at \$34,000.00 and that she begin as a substitute on May 9, 2016.

Mr. Erwin moved and Mr. Burbrink seconded. Carried 7-0

C. Other  
None

**Superintendent Comments**

Dr. Maurer congratulated Mr. Days for being named County Coach of the Year and Bryce Rowe for being named Shelbyville News Player of the Year.

She also invited the board members to attend the staff appreciation party on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 3:15 p.m.

**Board Member Comments**

Mrs. Smith welcomed the new teachers and thanked Charity and Christy for their presentations. She explained that she has a friend who will be bringing her family here next year and her friend was excited about the before and after care program.

Mrs. Isgrigg read the thank you note from the family of Charity Elliott for the planter that they received on the passing of her Father-in-law. She also read the thank you note from Fay Swift for the flowers on the passing of her Father.

**Adjournment**

Mrs. Isgrigg adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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