

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
March 8, 2017

Members Present: Travis Beck, Jerry Drake, Jim Emerick, Linda Isgrigg, Isaac Pile and Susan Smith

Member Absent: Jerry Erwin

I. Call to Order

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

President Linda Isgrigg called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. at the administrative office of Southwestern Consolidated Schools. She led the pledge to the United States flag.

B. Welcome, introductions and recognitions

President Linda Isgrigg welcomed everyone in attendance.

II. Public Comments

None

III. Consent Items and Claims

A. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Smith seconded the motion to approve the minutes of previous meetings. Carried 6-0

B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Emerick seconded the motion to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented. Carried 6-0

IV. Business & Financial Report

A. Financial Report

Mrs. Isgrigg informed the board that the financial report was in their packets.

Mrs. Bedwell told the board that Southwestern will earn about \$600 more interest next month because First Financial did not pay the full .30% in January and February.

B. Extracurricular and Cafeteria Account Report

Mrs. Isgrigg stated that the extracurricular and cafeteria reports were in their board packets.

V. **New Business**

A. Recommend the acceptance of donations

- \$1,408.76 from the SWE PTO for playground equipment
- \$50.00 from Mt. Auburn Christian Church for the Spartan Cupboard

Mr. Emerick moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 6-0

B. Recommend the acceptance of grants

- Indiana Literacy Early Intervention Grant for \$2,250 (used for Burst reading interventions in the primary grades)

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

C. Recommend approval of out-of-state and/or overnight field trips

- FFA to attend the State FFA Convention at Purdue from 6-19-17 to 6-22-17
- Two ERC students to travel to Washington D.C. 6-11-17 to 6-16-17 to participate in the Close Up program courtesy of the Simon Youth Foundation.

Mrs. Smith moved and Mr. Drake seconded. Carried 6-0

D. Recommend approval to offer Supervised Agricultural Experience during the summer pending sufficient enrollment of 15 students

Mrs. Meyer would like to offer SAE during the summer pending sufficient enrollment.

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

E. Recommend approval of the 2017-18 out-of-district enrollment policy

Dr. Maurer recommend approval of the 2017-18 out-of-district enrollment policy.

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

F. Recommend approval of the 2017-2021 bus contract

Dr. Maurer recommended approval of the 2017-2021 bus contract.

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

G. Recommend approval for 2017-2021 bus contract awards, pending all contractual requirements are met for vendors with a signed contract

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

H. Other

None

VI. Reports & Presentations

A. Food Service Director Report

Mrs. Elliott informed the board that the cafeteria has been doing very well even though there have been repairs to equipment. She said that this week was National School Breakfast week and all students from preschool to 12th grade were offered free breakfast this week. Mrs. Elliott informed the board about the cooking classes that she has with the children that have been funded by Fuel Up to Play 60. She said that funding will end this school year. She stated that there will probably be fundraisers held next school year to continue programs that have started through that program. She also told the board that currently the cafeteria has been using Lunchbox and Efunds as the computer systems in the lunchroom but the systems do not work well together. Mrs. Elliott would like to purchase a lunchroom system from eTriton. She said this program would provide an EZSchoolPay and EZMealApp, online free/reduced applications, direct certification uploads, state reports and menu build applications.

Mrs. Elliott asked the board to approve eTriton as our new cafeteria software.

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

B. Principal Reports

Mr. Chase mentioned that the Mid Hoosier Conference Banquet was being held tonight and the high school basketball team and Mr. Days would be honored. He said Monday night is County Band Night so the Winter Sports Award Program originally scheduled for Monday night will be moved to Tuesday. He also said that Southwestern High School had a career fair today that was organized by Mr. Fortune and tweeted out by Mr. Days. He stated that it was a very nice event. Mr. Chase told the board that his kids enjoy attending Southwestern and when his daughter was ill she really didn't want to miss.

Mr. Edwards said that the first round of ISTEP went very smoothly. He said some of the students said that they were doing harder work in their classrooms than what was on the ISTEP test. He mentioned that Preschool/Kindergarten roundup will be next week. Mr. Edwards also thanked our nurses' aide, Mrs. Fiesbeck, for the outstanding job she has been doing advertising that event.

C. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Maurer distributed the Annual Performance Report to everyone in attendance. The report indicated that both of our schools had testing scores that were much higher than the state average. Dr. Maurer mentioned that improvement needs to be made in the number of students with 10 or more days absent. Mr. Beck asked why there were zeros listed on the report and Dr. Maurer explained that some of the numbers didn't populate and those zeros will not be counted against Southwestern. Mr. Beck acknowledged that the schools are doing a great job instructing the students.

VII. Personnel

A. Staff Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

- Resignation of Katie Mudd as varsity volleyball coach

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

B. Recommendations to Hire

- Angie Kahler - substitute art teacher for Mrs. Korkhouse, effective 3-1-17 through the end of the school year
- Pam Meyer - Supervised Ag Experience during the summer pending sufficient enrollment
- Jacob Slusher – volunteer boys track coach
- Doyle Swanson – volunteer junior boys basketball coach (assist with summer practice)
- Brittany Schaler – varsity assistant softball coach
- Andrew Abel–volunteer baseball coach

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

C. Other

None

VIII. Superintendent Comments

Dr. Maurer congratulated Emma Korkhouse and her husband on the birth of their son born on February 20th. She also congratulated Toby Church on the Excellence in Education Award that Southwestern received from ACEC Indiana.

IX. Board Member Comments

Mrs. Smith thanked the staff in attendance for their hard work. She said she is proud of what Southwestern is doing. She also said that her son was asked to attend another school but he chose to stay here.

Mrs. Isgrigg thanked Dr. Maurer for attending the ACEC Indiana Engineering Excellence Awards program with her.

X. **Adjournment**

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

Mrs. Elliott told everyone in attendance that April 5th is National Walking Day and activities will be planned at Southwestern for that day.