

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
August 8, 2018

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

I. Call to Order

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

President Jim Emerick called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. in the Administration Office of Southwestern CSD of Shelby County. He led the pledge to the United States flag.

B. Welcome, introductions and recognitions

President Jim Emerick welcomed everyone in attendance.

II. Public Comments

None

III. Consent Items & Claims

A. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

Mrs. Isgrigg moved and Mr. Beck seconded the motion to approve the minutes of previous meetings. Carried 7-0

B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers

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

IV. Business & Financial Report

A. Financial Report

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

V. New Business

A. Recommend the acceptance of donations

\$190 from Karl and Teresa Nading for the Spartan Cupboard

\$45 from Ramsey Farms for the FFA

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

B. Request permission to post on the DLGF Gateway the Notice of Hearing on September 12, 2018

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

C. Request permission to post Capital Projects Plan and Bus Replacement Plan on district website.

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

**D. ~~Recommend approval for SWE PTO to host a gofundme page to fundraiser \$60,000 for new playground equipment~~
Recommend to remove point D from the agenda**

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

E. Recommend \$25 payment per day for a CDL driver to transport students with our bus from Blue River Career Programs back to Southwestern in the middle of the day.

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

F. Recommend approval to add a weighted Honors Band class to the high school curriculum

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

G. Other

- Recommend approval for the FFA to go to Mead, NE for the National Crops Scouting competition on August 25th through August 29th, if they place 1st or 2nd in the regional competition.
Mr. Pile moved and Mrs. Smith seconded. Carried 7-0
- Recommend that the board appoint a member to attend the ISBA/IAPSS fall conference on September 10th and/or 11th. None appointed
- Recommend appointing board members to be part of the negotiating team.
Mrs. Isgrigg, Mr. Beck, and Mr. Burbrink agreed to participate in the negotiations.
Mr. Drake moved and Mr. Pile seconded. Carried 7-0
- Recommend that the cafeteria substitute pay be raised to \$8.50.
Mr. Beck moved and Mrs. Isgrigg seconded. Carried 7-0

VI. Reports and Presentations

A. Principal Reports

Mr. Chase informed to the board that through the Lilly Counseling Grant the staff had gathered data based on the Guiding All Kids program. Mr. Chase explained that the staff had implemented a teachers' advisory program during the 8th period. During this time teachers have been working with students on various topics such as how to check their grades in INOW, how to compose a professional email, how to use Google calendars as agendas, and the importance of using social media responsibly.

Mr. Edwards stated that there have been a lot of positive changes this year at the elementary including the new offices and new staff members. Mr. Edwards

thanked the board and superintendent for their support throughout the changes Mr. Edwards introduced Mrs. Michelle Taggart, who has been working with the PTO to raise funds for new playground equipment, and thanked her for her hard work.

B. Facilities Directors Report

Mr. Cooper informed the board that his staff had recently been kept busy with desk and chair adjustments. Mr. Cooper stated that he had met with Mr. Days and the baseball coaches concerning future plans for the baseball field. Mr. Cooper also provided an update to the board concerning repairs to the lift station.

C. Superintendent Report

Dr. Maurer stated that the following Monday, the preliminary grades for ISTEP student growth would have been released. These statistics would be analyzed by the administrative staff to determine what would be done to make improvements in certain areas. Dr. Maurer informed the board that as of 8/3/18, the student count at the Jr/Sr High School was 302 and 304 at the elementary plus 23 preschoolers. She explained that these numbers did include six virtual academy students.

VII. Personnel

A. Staff Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

Recommend approval of FMLA for Mr. Oswalt for approximately two weeks from 8/9/18 through 8/23/18.

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

B. Recommendations to Hire

Jere Schoettmer as an elementary teacher at \$40,000

Erika Swanson as Spartanette coach

Laura Kohrman as Director of Special Education

Kim Hartley as CARE Club leader

Kevin Stone as custodian effective 8/6/18

Sabrina Smiley as Tech Ed coach

Ashley Fivecoat as Tech Ed coach

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

C. Other

VIII. Superintendent Comments

None

IX. Board Member Comments

Mr. Burbrink congratulated everyone on the work at the elementary.

Mr. Emerick congratulated the high school staff on their policy for cell phone usage.

Mrs. Isgrigg congratulated the high school on their detention policy for missed homework.

X. Adjournment

Mr. Emerick adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

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