

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
November 13, 2024

Members Present: Jonathan Deater, Isaac Pile, Dustin Simpson, Derrek Tennell, and Brad Stamper

Member Attending Electronically: Travis Beck

Member Absent: Blake Newkirk

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 7:06 p.m. in the Southwestern Consolidated Administration building. He led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

B. Welcome, introductions and recognitions

Dr. Wilkins welcomed everyone in attendance.

Students of the Month from the Jr High School were presented to the board members by principal John Tindall. These students included: Jr. High- Calvin Lambert-Banta, High School- Kaylee Pike, and Blue River- Kailee Bergen-Health Sciences, Amari Hansford-Culinary AM classes, and Tristen Duclos-Culinary PM classes.

Students of the month from the Elementary School were presented by Beth Hoeing. These students included:

Myra Tobias, Caroline Coffey, Blakely Bowman, Stormie McKenney, Evie Mack, Jack Goodman, Ruby Blue, Oliver Rood, Max Sipes, Olivia Goodnight, Ezra Garcia, Alaina Hansford, Andrew Haynes, Harlow Shuppert, Kooper Krise, Brynson Harrison, and Edison Sanders.

Derrek Tennell thanked the students and the parents for all of their hard work and for making time to attend the board meeting.

II. Agenda Modifications

Recommend approval of the Ed-Flex Waiver to be added to new business.

III. Public Comments

None

IV. Consent Items and Claims

A. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers

Mr. Pile moved and Mr. Simpson seconded for both items A and B.
Carried 6-0.

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 from Mt. Auburn Christian Church in the amount of \$50 for the Spartan Food Pantry.
- b. Donation from Isaac Pile for \$100 for FFA.
- c. Check from Kokomo Grain for sale of Clark Estate soybeans crop income in the amount of \$10,449.41

Mr. Stamper moved and Mr. Deater seconded. Carried 6-0.

B. Recommend to approve Resolution of the Board of School Trustees of the Southwestern Consolidated School District of Shelby County establishing a Master's Degree Supplemental Payment for Teachers.

Mr. Stamper moved and Mr. Simpson seconded. Carried 6-0.

C. Recommend approval of of the Master Agreement for the Southwestern Consolidated Classroom Teachers Association.

Dr. Wilkins highlighted the changes from the old contract as discussed at the public hearing on 10/6/24.

Mr. Deater moved and Mr. Stamper seconded. Carried 6-0.

D. Recommend the approval of policies listed below.

Policy numbers:

- ~~A275-R (School Wellness)~~
- C175 (Student Attendance, Academic Engagement and Truancy Prevention)
- ~~C125-R (Student Admission/Enrollment)~~
- C275 (Test Security Provisions for Statewide Assessments)
- C275-R (Test Security Provisions for Statewide Assessments)
- C525 (Medical Needs)
- E125-E (Appeal Request Form)
- E125-R (Retention Appeal Procedure)
- F125 (Purchasing Procedures and Capital Assets)
- G350 (Audio, Video and Digital Recording on School Property and of School Meetings)

Mr. Stamper moved and Mr. Simpson seconded. Carried 6-0

E. Approval of overnight field trip to the FFA Camp in Trafalgar, IN.

Mr. Simpson and Mr. Stamper seconded. Carried 6-0.

F. Recommend to approve Board Meeting dates for 2025 calendar year.

Mr. Stamper moved and Mr. Deater seconded. Carried 6-0.

G. Recommend to approve subscription for Boyce Systems Financials Payroll & Budget software annual fee of \$25,546.00

Mr. Deater moved and Mr. Stamper seconded. Carried 6-0.

H. Request permission to add a full time second shift custodian position to replace the current part time position.

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

I. Request permission to add a part time 29 hours per week special education instructional assistant position at the Junior-Senior High School.

Mr. Deater moved and Mr. Simpson seconded. Carried 6-0.

J. Recommend acceptance of the Ed-Flex Waiver

Mr. Stamper moved and Mr. Deater seconded. Carried 6-0.

K. Other

- The board members were informed that the overtime report had been included in their board packets.
- Recommend approval of a contract with Katie Crawford for blind-low vision mobility services

Mr. Deater moved and Mr. Stamper seconded. Carried 6-0

VIII. Reports and Presentations

Food Service Director Report

Mrs. Brisha Dunbar reported that the cafeteria staff this year were doing a great job by going above and beyond each day to make the cafeterias a safe and comfortable place for all students and staff members. She also mentioned that the new maintenance team member, Cory Brand, had been extremely helpful. She stated that he was able to repair some of the equipment, saving the cafeteria the expense of hiring an outside company to make repairs. Mrs. Dunbar mentioned that there had been some upgrades to the cafeterias including new condensers. Long term she mentioned that she was also looking into a new freezer for the high school cafeteria. With increasing enrollment, more food storage areas would be required. Mrs. Dunbar let board members know that free breakfast was being served again this year for all students. She also explained that she was working with the high school principal to start a second chance breakfast, where breakfast would also be offered during the passing period between first and second periods.

IX. Personnel

A. Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

None

B. Recommendations to Hire

- a. Recommend to hire Monica Gain as Media Specialist full time for an annual salary of \$76,000.
- b. Recommend to hire Bridget Hoskinson as cafeteria worker for up to 29 hours per week for \$13.75.
- c. Recommend to hire Jay Tennell as 6th grade boys basketball coach for the 24-25 school year for \$1,150.

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

X. Superintendent Comments


Dr. Wilkins thanked all of the members of the negotiations team for their help in settling the new teacher's contract. These included Matt Campbell, Denise Mitchell, Rachael Barlow, Beth Hoeing, John Tindall, Derrek Tennell, and Brad Stamper. Dr. Wilkins gave an update on the GO bond process which included Techton representatives taking core samples from the roofs and flying a drone over the buildings to ascertain the conditions of the roofs. He also stated that they would be interviewing engineering firms to complete the process. Dr. Wilkins spoke about the upcoming Thanksgiving break and reminded everyone of the Donkey Basketball game the following evening.

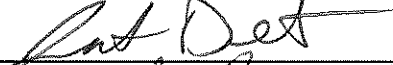
XI. Board Member Comments


Mr. Beck thanked Dr. Wilkins and tech director, Zack Sprout for helping him remote in for the meeting. Mr. Simpson congratulated all of the students that had been recognized earlier. Mr. Stamper thanked the staff and students for the Veterans Day program earlier in the week. Mr. Tennell congratulated the students that had been recognized and thanked everyone who had attended the meeting.


XI. Adjournment

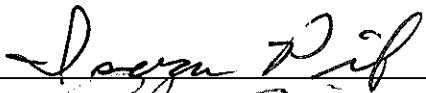
Mr. Tennell adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

















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EXECUTIVE SESSION
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6:30 pm

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