

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
February 11, 2025

Members Present: John Blue, Jonathan Deater, Blake Newkirk, Dustin Simpson, Brad Stamper, Derrek Tennell, and Daryl Thomas

Member Not Present:

I. Call to Order

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

Mr. Deater called the meeting to order at 7:00 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.

Mr. Meredith recognized the Jr/Sr High School students of the month.

These students included Brooklyn McGeorge from the Junior High School and Emma Bonebreak from the High School.

Mrs. Haehl recognized the students of the month for January from the Elementary School. These students included:

Emylia Mack, Jude Anspaugh, Gunner Rae Dunagan, Scarlett Stevens, Thea Fiesbeck, and Raylynn Goodrich.

II. Agenda Modifications

Item E under new business was added to the agenda.

III. Public Comments

None

IV. Consent Items and Claims

A. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

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

B. Approval of accounts payable vouchers

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

V. Business and Financial Reports

A. Financial and Cafeteria Reports

B. Extracurricular Account Report

Mr. Deater informed the board that the financial 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 Shelby Country AG Promotion in the amount of \$750 for

Southwestern FFA.

c. Donation from Jerry Petro in the amount of \$650 for outdoor batting cages.

d. Donation from Kenneth & Janet Gorrell in the amount of \$650 for outdoor batting cages.

e. Grant received from Wortman Grant through the Blue River Community Foundation for the PLTW Biomedical Science Pathway and STEM programming at SWHS

Mrs. Newkirk thanked everyone who made a donation to the school district and expressed how much impact could be made from donations received.

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

B. Approval for ag students to attend the National Farm Machinery Show in Louisville, KY on February 12, 2026

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

C. Recommend to approve payment to Tecton Construction Management for Quality Plumbing & Heating in the amount of \$55,859.58 for Southwestern Consolidated GO Bond Project.

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

D. Recommend to approve payment to Tecton Construction Management in the amount of \$20,607.00 for Southwestern Consolidated GO Bond Project.

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

E. Recommend to approve Conflict of Interest Form for John Tindall and Pure Strike Golf.

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

F. Other

Board members received a copy of the overtime report.

VII. Reports and Presentations

A discussion on how to make up days when school needs to be closed was held by the board members and the superintendent. They discussed the options of synchronous learning, asynchronous learning, and in person days to be added to the end of the school year.

VIII. Personnel

A. Leaves/Resignations/Terminations

None

B. Recommendations to Hire

None

IX. Superintendent Comments

Dr. Wilkins updated board members on the recent student count day. He also shared trends for the last five years.

X. Board Member Comments

Mr. Blue offered congratulations to the students of the month.
Mrs. Newkirk thanked everyone for attending the meeting and work session. She also reminded everyone of the upcoming sports evening for the all colors of cancer fund raiser.
Mr. Stamper appreciated everyone who had attended.
Mr. Tennell thanked everyone for coming.

XI. Adjournment

Mr. Deater adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.













