

Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation
239 S. Main Cross Street
Hanover, Indiana 47243

March 27, 2017

Regular Meeting

The School Corporation Board of Trustees conducted their Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 27, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in the Elementary Board Meeting Room located at 273 S. Main Cross Street, Hanover, Indiana 47243.

The following members of the Board of School Trustees were present:

Mrs. Jodi Gray, President Mrs. Narci Burress, Member
Mr. Stockdale, Member

Mr. John Jones and Mrs. Lacie Deputy, absent.

VISION – An Educated Community of High Character

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Southwestern Schools is to provide all students an equal opportunity for exceptional success within a safe and secure learning environment.

AUDIENCE CALL

None.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 13, 2017 MINUTES & EXECUTIVE SESSION

VERIFICATION

Upon a motion made by Mr. Stockdale, seconded by Mrs. Burress, the Board voted, 3-0, and the motion carried to approve the minutes for the regular session on February 13, 2017 and the Executive Session verification as presented.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mr. Stockdale, the Board voted, 3-0, and the motion carried to approve the payment of claims listed below.

Payroll Claims #679, #680 and #681

Vendor Claims #7151 - #7286

LAWN SERVICE CONTRACT

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mr. Stockdale, the Board voted, 3-0, and the motion carried to approve Cloud's Lawn Care for mowing, trimming and edging of all Southwestern Schools campus grounds, including baseball and softball fields. This is a 3 year contract. Payment will be \$650 per week for approximately 30 weeks from March through October each year. Spraying, weed control and fertilizing of the baseball and softball fields and the track will be done 4 times a year at a cost of \$705 per treatment. This Contract will remain in effect through the calendar year 2019.

SUMMER SCHOOL DRIVER'S ED PROGRAM

Upon a motion made by Mr. Stockdale, seconded by Mrs. Burress, the Board voted, 3-0, and the motion carried to approve the summer school driver's education program. Mr. Comer will provide driving instruction and Mr. Bomholt will assist if enrollment numbers are high. Mr. Comer will also provide the classroom instruction.

DONATIONS

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mr. Stockdale, the Board voted, 3-0, to approve the following donations:

- \$5200.00 from Gary Van Wye to Southwestern Athletics
- \$767.89 in free feed from Lowe's Pellets & Grain for the Community Calf Project
- \$250.00 from Melanie and Stace Ginn for the Southwestern Food Pantry
- \$250.00 from Sherman, Barber & Mullikin for the Prom
- \$200.00 from SWRA for the Prom
- \$100.00 from Stanley's Hanover Service for Highschool Baseball
- \$100.00 from Minnick Woodworking for Highschool Baseball
- \$100.00 from Pettitt Associates for Highschool Baseball
- \$100.00 from Steinhardt Enterprises for Highschool Baseball
- \$100.00 from Sedam Contracting for Highschool Baseball
- \$2000.00 from an anonymous donor for Highschool Basketball

LED LIGHTING

Mr. T. Jones discussed changing all our indoor lighting to LED lighting. We should save \$60,000 per year on our electricity bills by changing to LED lighting. We have three quotes: Sustainable Efficiency for \$222,916, Echo Engineering for \$376,000 and Smart Watt for \$400,000. Mr. T. Jones recommendation is to buy the materials for \$85,000 from Sustainable Efficiency and have our maintenance department install them as time allows. The money for this project will come from our current loan. Upon a motion made by Mr. Stockdale, seconded by Mrs. Burress, the Board voted, 3-0, and the motion carried to approve Mr. T. Jones recommendation.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Mr. Watson reported on the following:

- The 8th grade trip to Washington DC has been rescheduled for April 30-May 4, 2017
- The 8th grade awards night and school dance will be held on May 26, 2017

Mrs. Gauger reported on the following:

- Kindergarten registration will be held on April 6 from 1:00-6:00 p.m. in the elementary gym

SAFETY REPORT

Mr. Watson reported on the following:

- The repeater located at the firehouse in Hanover has been replaced. The wiring is still not done because it required additional wiring they weren't aware of. They are now working on getting this done.

TECHNOLOGY

Mr. Dillman reported on the following:

- We have installed a new firewall, switches and a caching server, which has made the internet speed faster.

PERSONNEL

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mr. Stockdale, the Board voted, 3-0, to approve the following personnel matters:

- Resignation of Don Ihle as corporation bus driver, effective March 3, 2017
- Resignation of Chintana Monday as high school cook, effective March 24, 2017
- Maternity leave of Christen Harsin from approximately May 29, 2017 through July 17, 2017
- Maternity leave of Bridget Skvara from March 27, 2017 through June 2, 2017
- Employment of Coby Cloud as special needs activity bus driver, effective March 6, 2017. The benefits with this position includes Life Insurance and PERF.
- Employment of David Klingler as high school custodian, effective March 8, 2017. The benefits with this position include Life Insurance, PERF and health insurance.
- Employment of Nancy Rider as high school cook, effective March 27, 2017. The benefits with this position include Life Insurance and PERF.
- Employment of the following coaches for the spring sports:
 1. Kevin Dillman – Middle school boys track coach
 2. Kim Crawford – Middle school girls track coach
 3. Ryan Rummel – Middle school golf coach
 4. Paula Fulton – Middle school softball volunteer coach
 5. Jacob DeAtley – Middle school baseball volunteer coach
 6. Bethani Kleopfer – High school assistant girls track coach
- Employment of Megan Nugent as teacher during Bridget Skvara's maternity leave, effective March 27, 2017.
- Employment of the following ECA sponsors:
 1. Matthew Vosmeier – Contest volunteer assistant to instrumental director
 2. Steve Satterfield – Marching band color guard assistant
 3. Steve Satterfield – Winter guard
- Change in pay for Wanda Spurgeon, food services director. Mrs. Spurgeon new salary will be \$35,350 and this will be a salaried position. This is a year round position. This will be retroactive to January 1, 2017.

*Mr. Stockdale requested to be tabled as Middle school baseball volunteer coach so that he could vote on the personnel issues, since we only had 3 board members present. He will be added to the Personnel items at the April meeting.

FIELD TRIP REQUEST

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mr. Stockdale, the Board voted, 3-0, to approve the 6th grade field trip to the Indianapolis Children's Museum on April 20, 2017.

CONFERENCE REQUESTS

Upon a motion made by Mr. Stockdale, seconded by Mrs. Burress, the Board voted, 3-0, to approve the following requests:

- Wanda Spurgeon and Shannon Ritchie to attend the Harmony conference in French Lick, IN on April 19, 2017. The cost is \$200.00 to be paid from the cafeteria fund.
- Mickey Waller and Dan Dattilo to attend the Harmony conference in French Lick, IN on April 21, 2017. The cost is 280.00 to be paid from the Title IIA fund.
- Kevin Dillman to attend the Harmony conference in French Lick, In on April 20, 2017. The cost is \$100.00 to be paid from the Title IIA fund.
- Stephen McClellan and Robert Adams to attend the ALICE conference at Hanover College on April 24-25, 2017. The cost is \$890.00 to be paid from the Title IIA fund.
- Michael Comer to attend the Indiana Driver Education Association conference in Indianapolis, IN on April 28, 2017. The cost is \$377.19 to be paid from the Title IIA fund.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL

Change in Credit Card Company

Upon a motion made by Mr. Stockdale, seconded by Mrs. Burress, the Board voted, 3-0, to approve changing our corporation credit card from Card Member Services to one from German American Bank, with the umbrella limit to be \$10,000.00 and we will have two credit cards.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mr. T. Jones reported on the following:

- Upon a motion made by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mr. Stockdale, the Board voted, 3-0, to approve the transfer of Christy Rudolph from assistant head cook to head cook at the high school, effective March 27, 2017.
- Bloomington Meadows has signed on as a component to our health clinic. They will handle behavioral health. Any student that an administrator, counselor or parent feels needs a risk assessment or evaluation can now be done within an hour. Our counselors will receive training with Bloomington Meadows next week.
- Our weight room now has a new roof and the activity center has two new front doors.
- Celebrate Southwestern will be held in September this year in collaboration with the Town of Hanover and Hanover College. It will be held on the Hanover College campus across from McDonalds.
- Mr. T. Jones visited Sullivan School in Chicago to talk about our health clinic model and was asked to visit a congressional symposium in Washington DC on May 16-18, 2017 to discuss the topic.
- Norman Arbuckle, a former board member, passed away.

CONTRACTED BUS DRIVER BIDS – OPENING

Bus bids were opened and recorded. We received bids from 12 bus drivers for 11 routes. All bids will be considered and negotiations on the bids will be on Monday, April 3, 2017 at 6:00. There will be an executive session before the negotiation meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m.

BOARD COMMENTS AND INFORMATION

The Southwestern Art Club will have an art auction on April 7, 2017. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and the auction will start at 7:15 p.m. Students from kindergarten through 5th grade will have their art auctioned.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, April 3, 2017 @ 5:00 p.m. – Bus route negotiations

Monday, April 24, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mr. Stockdale, the Board voted, 3-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Lacie Deputy, Secretary of the School Board of Trustees