

**Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation**

**239 S. Main Cross Street  
Hanover, Indiana 47243**

**July 13, 2020**

The School Corporation Board of Trustees conducted their Regular Board Meeting on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. in the Elementary Gym, located at 273 S. Main Cross Street, Hanover, Indiana 47243.

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

Mr. Richard Stockdale, President

Mr. John Jones Vice-President

Mrs. Lacie Deputy, Secretary

Mrs. Narci Burress, Member

Mrs. Jodi Gray, Member

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Those in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance

**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 MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AND EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**VERIFICATION**

Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Gray, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session Verification as presented.

**TREASURERS' REPORT CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Gray, seconded by Mrs. Deputy, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of claims listed below:

Payroll Claims #776-779

Vendor Claims #12883-13031

## **DONATIONS**

Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Gray, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the following donations:

\$400.00 from Beth Lichlyter for Food Pantry

\$200.00 from Lytle Welty Funeral Home for Class of 2020

\$100.00 from Kappa Kappa Kappa Beta Omega Chapter for HS Students/Families in need

## **PERSONNEL**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Deputy, seconded by Mrs. Burreddy, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the following:

## **PERSONNEL**

1. Resignation - Brian Amick - Teacher - Effective June 9, 2020
2. Resignation - Derik Hutton - Teacher and Head Baseball Coach - Effective June 30, 2020
3. Resignation - Katie Humphrey - Preschool Aide - Effective June 30, 2020
4. Resignation - Tina Hardy - Corporation Bus Driver - Effective June 30, 2020
5. Employment - Mike Kelley - Teacher - Effective 2020-2021 school year
6. Employment - Molly Toomey - Teacher - Effective 2020-2021 school year
7. Employment - Title I Aides - Effective 2020-2021 school year
  1. Jo Spray
  2. Sandra Hartman
  3. Cassie Poling
  4. Tammy Simmons
  5. Joely Mack
  6. Danna Ferguson
  7. Louise Harpole
  8. Peggy Eaglin
  9. Brittany Green
  10. Dawn Hardy
  11. Susan Winston
  12. Sheila Rudd
  13. Traci Harsin
  14. Judi Boldery
8. Employment - Corporation Bus Drivers - Effective 2020-2021 school year:
  1. Bryan Crafton and Vocational Bus Driver
  2. Ashley Vest and Boys and Girls Club Driver
  3. Angela Buxton
  4. Donna Brooks
  5. Dora Powell
  6. Ed Hensley
  7. Heather Carlock
  8. Richard Longville

9. Jeri Lock and Vocational Bus Driver
10. Candice Goens
11. Chuck Justice and Preschool Route Driver
12. Denny Shepherd
9. Employment - Bus Matrona - Effective 2020-2021 school year
  1. Vicki Kelley
  2. Teresa Page and Vocational School Matron
  3. Jessica Barr
  4. Mary Arbuckle
  5. Cindy Mack
  6. Kathy Justice - Preschool Route Matron
10. Employment - Chris Johnson - National Honor Society - 2019-2020 school year
11. Employment - Bridget Skvara - High School Student Council - 2019-2020 school year  
(½ stipend)
12. Employment - Stephanie Schindler - Sixth Grade Math Bowl - Co-Sponsor
13. Employment - Laura Scroggins - Sixth Grade Math Bowl - Co-Sponsor
14. Employment - Cam Meier - Boys Middle School Track Assistant Coach
15. Employment - Robert Green - Middle School Boys Tennis - Split Stipend
16. Employment - Jason Poteey - Middle School Boys Tennis - Split Stipend
17. Employment - Darrin Means - 8th Grade Volleyball
18. Employment - Nora Means - 7th Grade Volleyball
19. Employment - Chris Johnson - Varsity Volleyball Head Coach
20. Employment - Bridget Skvara - Junior Varsity Volleyball Head Coach
21. Employment - Seth Shields - Varsity Boys Soccer Head Coach
22. Employment - Robert Green - Varsity Boys Tennis Head Coach
23. Employment - David Bright - Varsity Girls Golf Head Coach
24. Employment - Zac Nussbaum - Varsity Boys Cross Country Head Coach
25. Employment - Stephanie Nussbaum - Varsity Girls Cross Country Head Coach
26. Employment - Stephanie Nussbaum - Middle School Cross Country Head Coach
27. Employment - Van Green - Middle School Soccer Head Coach
28. Employment - Nancy Totten - Girls Varsity Soccer Head Coach
29. Employment - Jason Poteet - Middle School Boys Tennis Coach
30. Employment - Dan Thurston - Boys Varsity Head Baseball Coach
31. Appointment - Penny Mahoney - Assistant Treasurer
32. Appointment - Robin Ryle - Public Library Board Member
33. FMLA - Jennifer Schoch - First Semester 2020-2021 school year

### **SCHOOL REOPENING PLAN**

Mr. Bates reported on the highlights of the schools reopening plan. The full plan will be published on the school website, sent to parents and on facebook tomorrow. Upon a motion by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mrs. Gray, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the school reopening plan.

### **2020-2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR CHANGE**

Mr. Bates reported on the school calendar change. The change at this time is that the fall break days (October 12-16, 2020) will be e-learning days, and we will extend Christmas break from December 21-January 1 to December 21-January 8, 2021. School will resume on January 11, 2021. This will give more time before we return to school after Christmas and families have gathered for the holidays. The State of Indiana Department of Education has said there will be no waivers for this school year so we will be using more e-learning days as needed to get the required 180 student days in. Upon a motion by Mrs. Gray, seconded by Mrs. Deputy, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the calendar change for the 2020-2021 school year.

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEXTBOOK RENTAL FEES**

The elementary textbook rental fee schedule was presented to the board. Mrs. Burress asked if elementary students would receive chromebooks. Mr. Bates and Kevin Dillman, Director of Technology responded that yes they were being given to all students for this year. Upon a motion by Mrs. Deputy and seconded by Mrs. Gray, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the fees as presented.

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL TEXTBOOK RENTAL FEES**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Burress, seconded by Mrs. Gray, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the middle school textbook rental fees as presented.

### **HIGH SCHOOL TEXTBOOK RENTAL FEES**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Deputy, seconded by Mrs. Burress, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the high school textbook rental fees as presented.

### **LEASE AGREEMENT - OVO**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Deputy, seconded by Mrs. Burress the Board voted by roll call vote 5-0 - approve the lease agreement with OVO for the term of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 as presented.

### **SCHOOL BUS DRIVER HANDBOOK - 2020-2021**

The school bus driver handbook for 2020-2021 was presented with highlights of the changes for the board. Upon a motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Burress, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the handbook as presented with changes.

### **BUDGET/FINANCIAL**

The Board was given two bids for roof replacement for the bus garage roof. The two bids were from Royalty Roofing and JNJ Construction. John Tingle, director of maintenance recommended JNJ Construction. They are low bid and have completed work for us in the past and done a good job for us. After some discussion, upon a motion by Mrs. Burres, seconded by Mrs. Deputy, the Board voted 5-0 to approve JNJ Construction for the project.

### **PRINCIPALS REPORT/SAFETY REPORT**

Mr. Watson, middle school principal reported that the Safety Schools Secured Grant was now available and he would be applying for this grant again. The deadline is July 31st. Also the federal grant for security we previously received we are starting to use that grant

### **TECHNOLOGY REPORT**

Mr. Dillman reported they have been very busy getting devices ready for students' return for the 2020-2021 school year.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Bates reported that the school reopening procedures would be available tomorrow. Also that the online registration opened on July 15th. He asked parents to register as soon as possible so that we have an idea of the number of students that would be attending for the upcoming school year. The first student day is August 7th and the first teacher day is August 5th. Mr. Bates thanked the technology staff, custodial staff and all involved in getting ready for the new school year.

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

A number of those in attendance spoke on the topic of changing the name of the Rebels as part of the Southwestern name. Several for not making a change and several for changing the name.

Mr. Stockdale thanked those who spoke about the change and a decision was tabled with no decision being made at this time.

### **BOARD COMMENTS AND INFORMATION**

None

### **FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS**

Monday, August 31, 2020 t 5:00 p.m.

Monday, September 28, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Deputy, seconded by Mrs. Gray, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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