

**SPENCER-OWEN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
January 13, 2022
Central Office
Mike Wells Memorial Board Room
7:00 P.M. School Board Meeting**

The Spencer-Owen Community Schools Board of Trustees met Thursday, January 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. for a School Board Meeting. The meeting was held at Central Office, 205 East Hillside Avenue, Spencer Indiana, 47460 in the Mike Wells Memorial Board Room.

School Board Meeting (Open to the public)

Meeting started at 7:00 p.m. with a voluntary prayer, by Chad Cooper. Tatum White and Katelynn Cunningham lead everyone in the pledge.

I. Call to Order

Christine Bartlett, School Attorney, was asked to oversee the meeting until election of officers could be completed.

a. Member Roll Call

Members Present:	Jack White	Amber Willen
	Rick Smeltzer	Chad Cooper
	Sonia Brinson	Derek Morgan
	Mark Rogers - virtual	

b. Recognition

i. You Make a Difference Award Nominee

Unable to attend this evening will recognize at the next meeting.

II. Additions to the Agenda

No additions.

III. Recognition of Visitor or Patron Comments:

No comments.

IV. Reorganization

i. Election of Temporary Chairperson

The board chose to skip this as Christine Bartlett had already been asked to lead the board meeting.

ii. Election of Officers: President, Vice President, Secretary and Secretary Pro Tem.

Mrs. Bartlett asked for nominations. Mrs. Brinson made a motion to approve the following:

Mr. Chad Cooper as President
Mr. Dereck Morgan as Vice-President
Mr. Rick Smeltzer as Secretary
Amber Willen as Secretary Pro-Tem

Mr. White seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

iii. Consider approval of Resolution for Board Compensation.

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve the resolution for Board Compensation. (Copy included in the minutes.) Mr. Morgan seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

iv. Consider re-appointment of School Attorney.

Mrs. Willen made a motion to re-appoint Ferguson Law as school Attorney. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

v. Consider appointment of Corporation Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer.

Superintendent Cline requested the board to appoint Annette Brown as Corporation Treasurer and LaDonna Fisher as Deputy Treasurer. Mrs. Brinson made a motion to approve. Mr. Morgan seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

vi. Establishment of Bonds for School Corporation Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Extra-curricular Treasurers.

Superintendent Cline requested the board to establish bonds: \$100,000.00 for Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, and Owen Valley High School Treasurer. \$50,000.00 for Owen Valley Middle School Treasurer and \$25,000.00 for Elementary Treasurer's. Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve. Mr. White seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

vii. Consider the appointment of an Executive Secretary.

Superintendent Cline requested the board to appoint April Walker as Executive Secretary for the School Corporation. Mr. Smeltzer made a motion to approve. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

viii. Consider approval of the Board Meeting Schedule.

Superintendent Cline requested the board to approve the Board Meeting Scheduled as it was presented. Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Mr. Cooper asked, "If the meetings would be at 7:00 p.m.?" Mr. Cline said, "That is up to the board." Mr. Cooper then ask for amendment to the motion to include start time at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Morgan amended his motion. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

ix. Conflicts of Interest Forms

Superintendent Cline said, Conflict of Interest forms have been distributed to the board members. Be sure all Conflict of Interest Forms are signed. (Copy included in the minutes.) No further action needed.

V. Consent Agenda

Superintendent Cline as the board to approve the minutes and claims.

a. Minutes

i. Approve the December 9, 2021 School Board Meeting Minutes and Executive Session.

b. Claims

i. Consider approval of claims.

Mrs. Brinson made a motion to approve. Mrs. Willen seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

VI. Old Business

No old business.

VII. New Business

a. Resignations (For informational purposes only.)

i. Superintendent Cline informed the board he has accepted the following resignations:

- Nicole Arney, Instructional Assistant at Patricksburg Elementary School. (#12746)
- Amy Moran, Instructional Assistant at Spencer Elementary School. (#13022)
- Christin Hathorn, Instructional Assistant at Gosport Elementary School. (#12727)
- Sara Workman, Severe Moderate Instructional Assistant at Owen Valley High School. (#13013)
- Nicholas Hobbs as Owen Valley High School Head Boys Soccer Coach.
- Zach Carver as Owen Valley High School Varsity Assistant Softball Coach.

Superintendent Cline requested the board to approve the Employment and Leaves as presented.

b. Employment

i. Request to approve hiring the following individuals:

Elizabeth Lowry as a 5.5 hour per day Cook at Owen Valley High School. (#12604)

Robert Gibson as Owen Valley High School Strength Coach

Alicia Perrin as Owen Valley High School Assistant Winter Guard Director.

Ryan Cowden as the second Assistant Wrestling Coach at OVMS.

c. Leaves

i. Request to approve a Family Medical Leave for Angela Cummins, Speech Teacher for Spencer Elementary School from around April 5, 2022 - May 23rd, 2022. (#11434)

ii. Request to approve an intermittent Family Medical Leave for Beth Sewell, Guidance Counselor, until December 31, 2022. (#11648)

Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve. Mrs. Willen seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

d. Position

i. Superintendent Cline requested the board to approve Preschool Coordinator position. 2022-2023. (#11705) (Copy of request included in the minutes.) Mrs. Brinson made a motion to approve. Mr. Morgan seconded it. Vote was taken 6-0. Mr. Rogers said, "Yes." Motion carried 7-0.

VIII. Other Items from the Board (Board Comments.)

IX. Administrator Comments (Principal Comments.)

X. Superintendent's Report/Comments

XI. Adjournment

Mr. White made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Willen seconded it. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting ended at 7:24 p.m.

The board remained at the table to hear patron comments. None were heard.

As a matter of record, January 27, 2022.

