



**Spencer-Owen Community Schools**  
**Board of School Trustees Meeting**  
**Regular Session**  
**Central Office**  
**Mike Wells Memorial Board Room**  
**July 14, 2022, 7:00 p.m.**

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**MINUTES**

Pledge of Allegiance

President Cooper led us in a voluntary prayer and the pledge.

**I. Call to Order**

President Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:    Jack White                    Amber Willen  
                                 Rick Smeltzer                    Chad Cooper  
                                 Sonia Brinson                    Derek Morgan

Members Absent:    Mark Rogers

**II. Recognition of Visitors/Patron Comments**

No patron comments.

**III. Additions to the Agenda:**

Superintendent Cline informed the board of the following additions:

Under VII. New Business – I. Out of State Field Trip request for the Owen Valley Football Program to go to Robinson IL Also, J. approval of 2022-2023 School Lunch Program Pricing.

Under VIII. Personnel – C. Employment – 11. Jody Newton, Grade 6 Teacher at Spencer Elementary School. (#11404)

**IV. Consent Agenda**

A. Financial Reports  
B. Claims  
C. Minutes

1. Regular Session: June 9, 2022 and Executive Session

Mrs. Brinson made a motion to approve. Mr. Morgan seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

**V. Old Business**

No old business.

## **VI. Construction Update**

Scott Stenftenagel gave an update on current projects and also the proposed greenhouse.

## **VII. New Business**

### **A. Credit Card Resolution**

1. Approve Credit Card Resolution. (Copy of resolution included in the minutes.)

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve. Mr. White seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

### **B. Agreement**

1. Approve agreement between the American Red Cross and SOCS. (Copy of agreement included in the minutes.)

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

### **C. Amend Calendar**

1. Approve amending 2022-2023 School Calendar. (Copy of calendar included in the minutes.)

Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

### **D. Surplus**

1. Approve SES inventoried items as surplus. (Copy of list included in the minutes.)

Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve. Mr. White seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

### **E. Grant & Donations**

The board took the next two items together.

1. Approve the Grant from Connexus Indiana.
2. Accept a check from the Owen County Community Foundation for OVHS JROTC.

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

3. Approve items for donation 50 student desk to the NiCE Program.

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve. Mr. White seconded it. Motion carried 5-0-1.  
Mr. Smeltzer abstained.

#### F. Handbook

1. Approve the 2022 - 2023 Transportation Handbook. (Copy of handbook included in the minutes.)

Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve. Mrs. Brinson seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

#### G. Request Permission to Advertise for Bid.

1. Secured School Safety Entrances Project. (Copy included in the minutes.)

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve to advertise for bid. Mr. Smeltzer seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

#### H. Request Approval to accept Gibraltar Architect Design Proposal Agreement. (Copy included in the minutes.)

Mrs. Brinson made a motion to approve. Mr. Smeltzer seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

The next two items were added.

#### I. Field Trip

1. Approval of an out of state field trip for the Owen Valley High School Football team to attend a Lineman challenge in Robinson IL., on Saturday, July 23, 2022.

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve. Mr. Morgan seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

#### J. Lunch Program

1. Approval of 2022-2023 School Lunch Program Prices. (Copy included in the minutes.)

Mrs. Willen made a motion to approve. Mr. Morgan seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

### **VIII. Personnel**

The board took items A-E together.

#### A. Leave

1. FMLA for Jennifer Hart, Teacher at OVHS for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the 2022-2023 school year. (#11613)
2. 12-week FMLA for Vicki Pruett, Instructional Assistant/Latchkey Supervisor at GES. (#12214/12750B-3)
3. Leave request for Katherin Warthan, teacher at PES/GES for 1st semester 2022 - 2023 school year (#11219)

## B. Resignations

1. Lora Myers, SES Custodian. (#12442)
2. Janet Browning, SES Cook. (#12405)
3. Nathan Wills, SOCS Technology Technician. (#12702)
4. Diana Couch, PES Pre-K Instructional Assistant. (#13312)
5. Kyle Schlachter, OVMS Mathematics Teacher (#11535)
6. Anna Long, MCES Custodian. (#12835)

## C. Employment

1. Terri Shaw, as a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher for SES. (#11440)
2. Lauren Majewski, as a 2nd Grade Teacher for SES. (#C-13206)
3. Denise Barr, as a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher for SES. (#11422)
4. James Klyczek, as an Inclusion Teacher for OVMS. (#C-13203)
5. Cristi Wood, as a Pre-K Instructor for MCES. (#13303)
6. Nicole Givens, as an Instructional Assistant for MCES. (#12836)
7. Denise Shields, as an Instructional Assistant for MCES. (#13024)
8. Murinna Sparks, as a Custodian I for MCES. (#12830)
9. Victor Sparks, as a 29-hour Custodian for MCES. (#12832)
10. Lynn Anderson, as 21-hour Library Assistant/Life Skills for GES. (#12205)
  
11. Was added to the agenda. Jody Newton, Grade 6 Teacher at SES. (#11404)

## D. Coaches

1. Resignation of Marc Johnson, as OVHS Varsity Girls Tennis Coach.
2. Resignation of Jacob Staley, as OVHS Varsity Boys Cross Country Coach.
3. Resignation of Steven Livingston, as OVMS Assistant Football Coach.
4. Resignation of Kyle Schlachter, as OVHS Freshman Basketball Coach and OVMS Assistant 7th Grade Coach.
5. Hiring Justin Rowe, as OVHS Varsity Girls Soccer Coach.
6. Hiring Bethany Kay, as OVHS Head Volleyball Coach.

## E. Contracts

1. Tabitha Freeman, Curriculum Director for SOCS. (#11703)
2. Aaron LaGrange, Assistant Principal for SES. (#11402)
3. Norm Warner, Technology Coordinator for SOCS. (#12722)
4. Thomas Curry, Transportation Coordinator for SOCS. (#12902)
5. Justin Lowry, Athletic Director for OVMS. (#12533)
6. Brad Greene, Athletic Director for OVHS. (#12644)
7. Brenda Burton, Occupational Therapist for SOCS. (#11708)

Mr. White made a motion to approve requests. Mrs. Willen seconded it. Motion carried 6-0.

**IX. Other Items from the Board (Board Comments)**

**X. Administrator Comments**

**XI. Superintendent's Report/Comments**

**XII. Adjournment**

Mr. Smeltzer made a motion to adjourn. Mr. White seconded it. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting ended at 8:13 p.m. The board remained at the table for patron comments. None were heard.

As a matter of record July 28, 2022.

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