

Executive Session

The Board of School Trustees of the Southwest School Corporation met in Executive Session on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the Southwest School Corporation Board Room, 1502 N. Section St., Sullivan, Indiana as per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(1), Where authorized by federal or state statute; I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(3), For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems; I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6), With respect to any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction; I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9), To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees; I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(10)(B), Consider applications; and I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(c), A final action must be taken at a meeting open to the public. All Board Members were present. Others present were Superintendent Chris Stitzle, Assistant Superintendent Jon Stuckey, and Attorney Katie Springer. The Executive Session was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

No other items were discussed other than those advertised.

A T T E S T :

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Jerry Wilson, Secretary

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Mitzie Badger, President

Call to Order

The Board of School Trustees of the Southwest School Corporation met in Regular Session on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 6:05 p.m. in the Southwest School Corporation Board Room, 1502 N. Section St., Sullivan, Indiana. All Board Members were present. Others present included Superintendent Chris Stitzle, Assistant Superintendent Jon Stuckey; Attorney Katie Springer; Lynne Arnett, Mike Caton, Vicki Schenbeck, Paul Vandergriff from Sodexo; Treasurer Michele Hazelrigg; teachers Lisa Ridge, Audry Badger, Jessica Whitkanack, David Lisman, Peggy Ridgway, Dani Hamilton, Katie Couch, Terri Roberts, Krista Wells, Lauren McKinley and patrons Tracy Vandergriff, Evelyn Myers, Josh Scaggs and John Ridgway.

Recognition of SWSC Retirees

Superintendent Stitzle informed the Board that tonight he would like to recognize 8 individuals, who will be retiring from Southwest School Corporation and Sodexo Inc. These individuals have a combined 196.5 years of service with Southwest School Corporation.

He read the RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

At this time, I would like to recognize our retiring teacher and support staff:

- Cindy Ferree – Sullivan Elementary School – 25 years
- Peggy Ridgway – Carlisle Middle School – 20 years
- Janice Smith – Sullivan Middle School – 32 years
- Sindi Thompson – Carlisle School – 15 years
- Joe Goodwin – SWSC & Sodexo Maintenance – 40.5 years
- Karen Monroe – SWSC & Sodexo Custodial – 27 years
- Paul Vandergriff – SWSC & Sodexo Maintenance - 19 years
- Vicki Schenbeck – SWSC & Sodexo Food Service - 18 years

Mr. Stitzle stated that words cannot truly express how much each one has meant to our students, schools, and community. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Stuckey, Attorney Springer, and himself, thanked them and wished everyone the best in their retirement.

#### Consideration of any Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

President Badger asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the Agenda. Superintendent Stitzle read the following:

A. Under Routine Business Items by Consent – Letter L – Request Glenda Jones – Gift Card Resolution

B. Under Routine Business Items by Consent – Letter M – Request Dillion Taylor – Purdue Volleyball Team – July 10, 2021 – Indianapolis – Cost \$100

C. Under New Business – Letter H - Consideration of MOU Between the SWSC Board of Trustees and SSEA.

D. Under New Business – Letter I - Consideration of Stipends for Non-Certified Employees.

E. Under New Business – Letter J – Consideration of Adoption of Reimbursement Resolution

These items were approved upon a motion by Kevin Arnett, second by Jerry Wilson and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the Regular Meeting April 21, 2021, were approved upon a motion by Mike Eslinger, second by Kevin Arnett, and a 5-0 vote of the Board.

#### Treasurer's Report and Approval of Claims

The Treasurer's Report for the period ending April 30, 2021, was presented to the Board. Superintendent Stitzle read the Treasurer's Report. Claims #102453 to #102478 in the amount of \$414,782.20, claims #102479 to #102481 in the amount of \$18,941.91, and claims #102482 to #102559 in the amount of \$669,659.49 for a total of \$1,104,259.85 for the period of April 22, 2021 to May 19, 2021 were presented. The Treasurer's Report and Claims were approved upon a motion by Barb Rotramel, second by Jerry Wilson, and a 5-0 vote of the Board. Claim #102522 in the amount of \$876.25 was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Kevin Arnett, and a 4-0 vote of the Board.

#### Disposition of Routine Business Items by Consent

Mr. Stitzle presented the Board with the following Routine Business Items by Consent:

##### A. Resignations

- Jayden Lee – SHS Instructional Aide
- Katherine Lueking – Public Relations Coordinator
- Nikki Monroe – Carlisle Special Education Teacher
- Brian Samarzea – SHS Choir Teacher
- Alena Metheny – SES Instructional Aide
- Peggy Ridgway – Student Council & Beta Council Assistant

- Alice Cox – Carlisle Instructional Aide

## B. Personnel Recommendations

### Carlisle Elementary and Middle School

- Andrea Gilham - Special Education teacher, replacing Nikki Monroe.

### Sullivan Middle School

- Brad Wible – Football Volunteer
- Jason Jones – Football Volunteer
- Jeremy Ferree – Football Volunteer
- Gatlin Ferro – Football Volunteer
- Curtis Ridgway – Football Volunteer
- Stephanie McKinley – Assistant Cheer

### Southwest School Corporation

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| ▪ Cameron Walters | Summer Tech |
| ▪ Braeden Nichols | Summer Tech |
| ▪ Maclynn Steele  | Summer Tech |

## C. Donations

### SULLIVAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

- DUKE ENERGY - \$41.68 – APRIL & MAY

### SULLIVAN HIGH SCHOOL

National History Honor Society received

- Springer Insurance - \$100
- Greggs & Reid - \$75
- Acorn Grill - \$500
- Baesler's - \$100

Girls Basketball

- WV Correctional Facility - \$500

D. Request – Nick Puchek – Summer Band Camp – August 4 -7, 2021

E. Request – Girls Soccer Team Camp – July 5-8, 2021 – SWSC Soccer Field – Cost \$100

F. Request – Blaine Powell – SHS Football Team Camp – July 26 – July 28, 2021 – Merom Institute – Cost - \$85

G. Request – Blaine Powell – SHS Youth Football Camp – July 31, 2021 – Grades 1-6 – 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Cost \$10

H. Request – Blaine Powell – SHS Football Team to Attend Indiana State Football Team Camp – June 22, 2021 – ISU Memorial Stadium – Cost - \$25

I. Request – Kevin Cross and Jeff Miller – Indiana FFA Convention – June 14-17, 2021 – Indianapolis, IN

J. Request – Dr. Tara Jenkins – Gift Card Resolution

K. Request – Julie Meeks – Gift Card Resolution

L. Request Glenda Jones – Gift Card Resolution

M. – Request Dillion Taylor – Purdue Volleyball Team – July 10, 2021 – Indianapolis – Cost \$100

These items were approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Kevin Arnett, and a 5-0 vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of 2021-22 Instructional Plan

Superintendent Stitzle indicated he would like Board to formally approve the 2021-22 Instructional Plan that was sent to parents via email. This plan is subject to change and will be updated over the summer prior to the start of school. This plan is a requirement to receive ESSER III funds. This was approved upon a motion by Barb Rotramel, second by Jerry Wilson, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of Neola Policies and Guidelines – Special Updates – Social Media – Title IX – Virtual Program – Pandemic Operations and Volume 32. No. 2

Superintendent Stitzle stated the Board has had the opportunity to review the recommended Neola updates to the Southwest School Corporation Policies and Administrative Guidelines through Board Docs. He asked for the Board's consideration for approval this evening by waving the second reading. This was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Mike Eslinger, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of Transition of Seamless Summer Food through June 30, 2021

Superintendent Stitzle presented the following for Board consideration and approval to extend Seamless Summer Program through June 30, 2021. This would allow our Sodexo Team to provide meals at two locations within the Southwest School Corporation. The sites would be located at Sullivan High School and the Carlisle School. Meals would be served each Wednesday in June. Each child would receive 5 breakfast and 5 lunches. Food Services would end on June 30, 2021. This was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Kevin Arnett, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration/Approval of the 2022 Budget Timeline

Superintendent Stitzle presented the following for Board consideration and approval of the 2022 Budget Timeline

- August 18, 2021 – (Regularly Scheduled Meeting) Permission to publish the 2022 budget.
- September 1, 2021 (Special Board Meeting) – Hearing on 2022 Budget.
- September 15, 2021 (Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting) – Adopt 22 Budget

This was approved upon a motion by Kevin Arnett, second by Mike Eslinger, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration/Approval of Wage Increase for Sodexo Food Service Employees

Superintendent Stitzle stated this would give all non-management Sodexo food service employees under the Food Service agreement a starting salary of \$10.00 and give all other food service employees a 40 cent raise. A similar increase was given to our Sodexo maintenance and custodial staff at the April Meeting. This was approved

upon a motion by Barb Rotramel, second by Jerry Wilsont, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of Prices for 2021-22 Adult Meals

The Board was presented prices for the 2021-22 adult meal prices. Breakfast prices will remain at \$2.85. Lunch prices will increase to \$3.85 from \$3.75 or a 10-cent increase. At this time student breakfast and lunches will again be free for the 2021-22 school year. This was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Barb Rotramel, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of Capital Improvements & Repairs

Superintendent Stitzle asked for approval of the following:

- Softball Fence - \$7,650

This was approved upon a motion by Mike Eslinger, second by Jerry Wilson, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of MOU Between the SWSC Board of Trustees and SSEA

Superintendent Stitzle stated the purpose of this MOU between the SWSC Board of Trustees and the Southwest Sullivan Education Association is to provide an additional one-time stipend of \$1000 to each teacher actively working during the 2020-21 school year. All School Corporation teachers who are actively working (not on full-time leave) during the 2020-2021 school year and have documented time and effort toward pandemic response will receive a \$1000 stipend, payable on the June 11, 2021 payroll of the 2020-2021 contract year, in recognition of the increase in teacher work time and effort necessitated by multiple extra duties prompted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This stipend will be paid using ESSER II funds. This MOU expires on June 30, 2021. This was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Kevin Arnett, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of Stipends for Non-Certified Employees

Superintendent Stitzle presented the following for Board consideration and approval to give all School Corporation non-certified staff who are actively working (not on full-time leave) during the 2020-2021 school year will receive a \$500 stipend, payable on June 11, 2021 in recognition of the effort necessitated by multiple extra duties prompted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This stipend will be paid from the Rainy Day Fund. This was approved upon a motion by Barb Rotramel, second by Jerry Wilson, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Consideration of Adoption of Reimbursement Resolution

Superintendent Stitzle presented the following for Board consideration and approval this resolution would allow the Board to proceed with summer projects and reimburse the Operations Fund or Rainy Day from bond proceeds if they chose to issue bonds later this year. This was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Kevin Arnett, and unanimous vote of the Board.

#### Reports by Administrators and/or Board Members

- Presentation and updates were provided by the Counselors
- Sodexo Update – Lynne Arnett & Mike Caton
- I-Read 3 Remediation to be held June 1 – 11, 2021

- SES & CES Summer Jump Start Program to be held July 26 – August 5, 2021

Up-Coming Dates: Meetings, School Activities, Community Activities, Other

- Thursday, May 27, 2021 – Last Day of School
- Saturday, May 29, 2021 – SHS Graduation – 11:00 AM
- Wednesday, June 16, 2021 – Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting
- Wednesday, July 21, 2021 – Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

Adjournment

Upon call for further business and there being none, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Mitzie Badger, President