

Executive Session

The Board of School Trustees of the Southwest School Corporation met in Executive Session on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 4:45 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 :

Mitzie Badger, Secretary

Barbara Rotramel, President

Public Hearing – Bargaining

The 2019 Indiana General Assembly enacted legislation (SEA 390), codified at Indiana Code 20-29-6-1(b), requiring a school employer and school employees to hold a Public Hearing and take public testimony to discuss the items described in the Indiana Teacher Collective Bargaining Law (specifically Indiana Code 20-29-6-1(a) Before engaging in formal collective bargaining.

Therefore, Southwest School Corporation and the Teachers' Association hereby convene this Public Hearing in accordance with SEA 390. The Board and its representatives are joined today by Lisa Ridge and Lynn Norris from the Teachers' Association for this joint hearing. Mr. Stitzle thanked Lisa and Lynn for being in attendance.

As with all public comment before the School Board, the parties request that all who speak at this hearing limit their comments to the subject at hand, and speak concisely and cordially.

There were no comments. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Call to Order

The Board of School Trustees of the Southwest School Corporation met in Regular Session on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 6:02 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; Treasurer Michele Hazelrigg; teachers Lynn Norris and Lisa Ridge; Lynne Arnett from Sodexo; Police Chief Jim Dotson; and B. J. Hargis representing the Sullivan Daily Times.

Consideration of any Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

There were none.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Regular Board Meeting of July 8, 2020 and the Executive Session of August 3, 2020, were approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Mitzie Badger, and unanimous vote of the Board.

Treasurer's Report and Approval of Claims

The Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2020, was presented to the Board. Superintendent Stitzle read the Treasurer's Report. Claims #101398 to #101454 in the amount of \$913,777.79 and claims #101455 to #101517 in the amount of \$375,687.12 for a total of \$1,290,884.16 for the period of July 9, 2020 to August 12, 2020 were presented. The Treasurer's Report and Claims were approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Mitzie Badger, and unanimous vote of the Board. Claim #101407 in the amount of \$605.00 and Claim # 101511 in the amount of \$814.25 were approved upon a motion by Jon Bobbitt, second by Jerry Wilson, and a 4-0-1 vote of the Board.

Disposition of Routine Business Items by Consent

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

Retirements

Peggy Ridgway – Carlisle ELA Teacher end of 20-21 school year

Resignations

Shayla Fish – SHS Art Teacher

Personnel Recommendations

Carlisle Elementary/Jr. High School

Alicia Alumbaugh	Volleyball Volunteer
Lauren Fifer	Volleyball Volunteer
Breanna Allen	Instructional Aide

Sullivan Elementary School

Ashleigh Lewis	3rd grade teacher – temporary
Rachelle Newton	5 th grade teacher – temporary
Debra McCrary	Instructional Aide
Cassie Ellingsworth	Instructional Aide
Savannah Monahan	Instructional Aide
Mandy Martindale	Instructional Aide
Natasha Martin	Instructional Aide

Sullivan Middle School

Kylee Ravellette	Girls Soccer - Volunteer
Jeremy Ferree	Football – Volunteer
Jason Jones	Football - Volunteer
Bobby Farmer	Football - Volunteer

Brian Ketterer	Boys Soccer - Volunteer
Clark Golish	Girls Basketball - Volunteer
Jared Earley	Girls Basketball - Volunteer
Luke McPhail	Instructional Aide
Wes Kirk	MS Boys Tennis
John Gettinger	MS Boys Track
Katherine McCammon	MS Girls Track
Cindy Huston	SMS Student Council
Cara Graves	SMS Beta Club Co-Sponsor
Crystal Flath	SMS Beta Club Co-Sponsor
Cara Graves	SMS Athletic Director
Wes Kirk	MS Girls Tennis
Montie Tomey	MS Wrestling

Sullivan High School

Matt McLaren	Football Volunteer
Stephanie Wilhelm	Art Teacher
Jayden Lee	Instructional Aide
Doug Boyd	Asst. to A.D. for Supervision
Otto Clements	Athletic Director
Jennifer Smith	Key Club
Jennifer Smith	Academic Super Bowl
Jennifer Smith	Quiz Bowl
Jennifer Smith	Spell Bowl
Mike Wallace	Science Olympiad
Tracy Greggs	Yearbook Sponsor
Will Simmons	Student Council Sponsor
Jerry Cooney	National Honor Society
Laura Cross	FCCLA
Alice Trimble	Beta Club

Southwest School Corporation

Carl Melchert	Police Officer/SRO – effective September 21, 2020
Jessica Whitkanack	Online Learning Coordinator – temporary
Janna Buckley	K/1 virtual teacher – temporary
Courtney Lewis	2/3 virtual teacher – temporary
Brady Adams	4/5 virtual teacher – temporary
Jessica Parrish	Full-Time Bus Aide
Ericka Kendall	Part-Time Nurse Aide – 2 days/week

Approval of Substitute Teachers

Angela Allen	Janna Buckley
Sally Bass	Margaret Golemme
Michael Bezy	James Shrum
	Kara Walters

Approval of Student Transfers

This information was in your Board Packet. There are 91 student transfers for Board consideration this evening.

Request – Rodney Pirtle and Jerry Bowen– Contract Bus Drivers

We have a request by Rodney Pirtle & Jerry Bowen, contract bus drivers, to use more than 10 days for personal leave as per state statute. It is their responsibility to obtain and pay for all substitutes.

Requests – Leave of Absences

Kathy Crock – Leave of Absence
Nelson Brewer - Leave of Absence

Approval of Updated Back to School Plans

- Approval of use of eLearning/online learning days throughout the 2020-21 school year in grades 6-12.
- Approval of use of alternative schedules for CES, CMS, SES, SMS, & SHS if needed. This could be implemented by the Superintendent by individual school or corporation wide as deemed necessary.

This up-dated plan was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Jon Bobbitt, and unanimous vote of the Board.

Approval of Fall Athletic Spectator Guidelines

Mr. Stitzle presented the Board with the Fall Athletic Spectator Guidelines which included on-line ticketing. These Guidelines were approved upon a motion by Mitzie Badger, second by Jerry Wilson, and unanimous vote of the Board.

Permission to Advertise the Proposed 2021 Budget

Superintendent Stitzle informed the Board that he was seeking the Board's permission to advertise the 2021 Budget to the public this evening. On September 2, 2020 at 6:00 PM (Special Board Meeting), he will present the 2021 Budget to the Board and the public. The adoption of the 2021 Budget will take place at the regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 2020. This was approved upon a motion by Mitzie Badger, second by Jon Bobbitt, and unanimous vote of the Board.

Approval of SA-5 Reports for Individual Schools

Mr. Stitzle informed the Board that SA-5 reports are individual school financial reports presented to the Board for approval this evening. Michele Hazelrigg reported that these reports were for the 2019-2020 school year for all 4 ECA's. She had reviewed them and they were ready to be approved. These were approved upon a motion by Mike Eslinger, second by Mitzie Badger, and unanimous vote of the Board.

Approval of Health Insurance Rates

Superintendent Stitzle notified the Board that the 2020-21 Health Insurance Rates include a 2% increase. He asked the Board to pick up that increase for the 2020-21 school year. These rates take effect during September 2020. This was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Mike Eslinger, and unanimous vote of the Board.

Approval of Criminal Gang Activity Policy

The Board was presented with the up-dated policy related to Criminal Gang Activity. Chief Dotson prepared this policy. This was approved upon a motion by Jerry Wilson, second by Mitzie Badger, and unanimous vote of the Board.

Reports by Administrators and/or Board Members

- Enrollment Update – Up slightly

- Sodexo Update
- SHS Science Wing Update
- Chief Dotson

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

- Wednesday, September 2, 2020 – Special Board Meeting – Budget Hearing – 6:00 PM
- Monday, September 7, 2020 – Labor Day – No School
- Wednesday, September 16, 2020 – Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting – 6:00 PM

Adjournment

Upon call for further business and there being none, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

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Barbara Rotramel, President