

**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION TO  
UNDERTAKE A SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT  
May 10, 2023**

Southwest Parke Community School Corporation held a public hearing for the preliminary determination to undertake a school construction project at the Administrative Building. Bond Counsel and Financial Counsel presented the information. No public comment regarding the project was received.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance the hearing was called to order at 7:00 pm by Board President, Darrek Davis, all members present.

**SOUTHWEST PARKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
May 10, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular session was called to order at 7:16 pm by Board President, Darrek Davis.

**SPOTLIGHT ON EXCELLENCE – None**

**COMMENTS FROM PATRONS AND/OR STAFF**

The Board received a presentation regarding the Teacher Residency program at Rosedale Elementary from Janelle Bruce and Mackenzie Linville.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Nathan Adams made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion received a second from Mark Maden and carried 5-0.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Harrison shared a report with the Board which noted end-of-year calendar items and celebrated the academic gains noted in the iReady Math and Ready diagnostics. He also shared the attendance reports of the staff.

**OLD BUSINESS - None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Max Case made a motion to approve a 12-month Natural Gas Pricing Agreement as presented by Richard Kincheloe, Direct Energy/NRG. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.
- b. Conducted the First Reading of Policy Updates- NEOLA Vol. 35, No. 1
- c. Mark Maden made a motion to approve the Reimbursement Resolution pertaining to the upcoming Bond refinance. The motion received a second from DJ Harkrider and carried 5-0.

- d. Max Case made a motion to approve the Overnight Field Trip Request of Riverton Parke FFA to attend the State Convention from June 19-22, 2023 in Indianapolis, IN. The motion received a second from Darrek Davis and carried 5-0.
- e. DJ Harkrider made a motion to approve the Out-of-State Field Trip of the Riverton Parke Seniors to Kings Island on May 21, 2023. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.
- f. Mark Maden made a motion to approve the renewal of Vector Solutions/Safe Schools for Mandatory Training System at a cost of \$1,760.00. The motion received a second from DJ Harkrider and carried 5-0.
- g. DJ Harkrider made a motion to approve the renewal of Edmentum/ PLATO License. The motion received a second from Mark Maden and carried 5-0.
- h. Max Case made a motion to approve the recommendation to increase the Mileage Reimbursement Rate to the current IRS Allowable Rate for all approved mileage requests as of 5/10/2023. The motion received a second from DJ Harkrider and carried 5-0.
- i. Max Case made a motion to approve the Professional Leave Request of Phil Harrison to attend the Superintendent Study Council Retreat on June 28-30, 2023 in New Buffalo, MI. The motion received as second from Mark Maden and carried 5-0.
- j. DJ Harkrider made a motion to approve Summer Hours and Holidays. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.
- k. DJ Harkrider made a motion to approve the Grants and Donations received. Total amount received was \$21,000.00. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.
- l. Mark Maden made a motion to accept the Quote for Boiler Replacement at Riverton Parke High School. The motion received a second from Max Case and carried 5-0.
- m. DJ Harkrider made a motion to accept the Quote for Boiler Replacement at Rosedale Elementary. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.

## **PERSONNEL**

- a. DJ Harkrider made a motion to approve the recommendation to add nine days to the Digital Curriculum Integration Specialist effective immediately and continuing annually thereafter. The motion received a second from Mark Maden and carried 5-0.
- b. DJ Harkrider made a motion to approve the Maternity Leave Request of Elizabeth Woods from August 7, 2023 through September 4, 2023. The motion received a second from Max Case and carried 5-0.
- c. Max Case made a motion to employ Summer School Teachers : Mandy Roush, Kathy Edington, Jenna Crowder and Judy Lorenze at an hourly rate of \$35.00. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.

- d. Mark Maden made a motion to employ Summer School Teaching Assistants: Jill Moore, Kim Baugh and Andria Franklin at an hourly rate of \$25.00. The motion received a second from DJ Harkrider and carried 5-0.
- e. DJ Harkrider made a motion to employ Olyvia Higginbotham as a Teacher at Rosedale Elementary effective Academic Year 2023-2024 at a beginning Bachelor's Level A salary of \$40,000. The motion received a second from Mark Maden and carried 5-0.
- f. Mark Maden made a motion to employ Janelle Bruce as a Teacher at Rosedale Elementary effective Academic Year 2023-2024 at a beginning Bachelor's Level A salary of \$40,000. The motion received a second from Darrek Davis and carried 5-0.
- g. DJ Harkrider made a motion to employ Nicole Jacks as Summer Edmentum/ PLATO Proctor at a rate of \$20.00 per hour. The motion received a second from Mark Maden and carried 5-0.
- h. DJ Harkrider made a motion to employ Michaela Woods as Summer Ag Teacher. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.
- i. Nathan Adams made a motion to employ Micah Humphreys as Summer Ag Teacher. The motion received a second from Max Case and carried 5-0.
- j. Max Case made a motion to employ Tori Current as Extended School Year Teacher for two students for a total of 28 Hours at a rate of \$25.00 per hour. The motion received second from DJ Harkrider and carried 5-0.
- k. DJ Harkrider made a motion to employ Heather Falls as a Teaching Assistant at Montezuma Elementary effective 5/8/23. Heather will be paid a daily rate of \$76.50 for the remainder of the 2022-2023 Academic Year and Salary effective for the 2023-2024 Academic Year. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.

#### **COMMENTS FROM PATRONS AND/OR STAFF**

Pam Sanders was representing the Panther Touchdown Club in regards to the safety concern of no handrails on the football bleachers.

**OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD-** None

**CORRESPONDENCE** - None

#### **CLAIMS**

DJ Harkrider made a motion to approve all claims as submitted. The motion received a second from Nathan Adams and carried 5-0.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, Mark Maden made a motion to adjourn. DJ Harkrider gave the motion a second and it carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**  
**May 10, 2023**

- a. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting April 12, 2023
- b. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session April 12, 2023
- c. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session April 10, 2023
- d. Approval of Routine Field Trip Requests
- e. Resignation- Judy Hoffman- Custodian at Riverton Parke- Effective 4/14/2023
- f. Retirement- Betsi Case- Teacher at Rosedale Elementary- Effective at the close of the 2022-2023 Academic Year
- g. Letter of Intent to Retire- Jamie Mager- Secretary at Rosedale Elementary- Effective at the close of the 2023-2024 Academic Year
- h. Resignation- Julie Nasser- Custodian at Riverton Parke- Effective 4/24/2023
- i. Resignation- Angela Atkinson- Teaching Assistant at Montezuma Elementary- Effective 5/2/2023
- j. Approval of the Resignation and Final Compensation of Matthew Taylor- Principal at Montezuma Elementary- Effective at the close of the 2023-2024 Academic Year
- k. Resignation- Aubrey Moss- Teacher at Riverton Parke- Effective at the close of the 2022-2023 Academic Year
- l. Resignation- Daisy Blake- Teacher at Riverton Parke- Effective at the close of the 2022-2023 Academic Year
- m. Employ Brad Sanders- Summer Weights ECA
- n. Employ Jared Garman- Summer Weights ECA
- o. Retirement- Kylie Gilman- Teacher at Montezuma Elementary- Effective at the close of the 2022-2023 Academic Year
- p. Retirement- Anna Virostko- Teacher at Rosedale Elementary- Effective at the close of the 2023-2024 Academic Year
- q. Resignation- Sara Martin- Teacher at Riverton Parke- Effective at the close of the 2022-2023 Academic Year

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