

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD
SUNMAN-DEARBORN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
RIPLEY AND DEARBORN COUNTIES, INDIANA
MARCH 8, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation was held March 8, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. EST, in the East Central High School cafeteria with the following individuals in attendance: David Anderson, Brandon Burress, Cindie Fox, Joyce Huffman, Jeff Lyness, Michael Norman, Glenn Scholl, School Attorney Frank Kramer, Superintendent Dr. Jeff Hendrix, Director of Support Services Tom Harris, Director of Financial Operations Charles Blake, Director of Human Resources Mary Ann Baines and Recording Secretary Cheri Huff.

Mr. Lyness called the open meeting to order at 7:05 PM EST, leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Lyness recognized Jeannie Herman, S-DIS Music Teacher, who presented some of the homemade guitars her 6th graders created. Sixth grade student Kyle Lussow personally presented his homemade electric guitar and amp that he created.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mr. Goessling, Bright Elementary Principal, who recognized 4th grader Patrick Mitchell for finishing in a three-way tie for 5th place in the Scripts Howard Spelling Bee that took place live on WCPO in Cincinnati on February 25, 2012. Last year as a 3rd grader, Patrick won the event. The competition is open to 3rd through 8th graders and he was the youngest finalist of all those who placed.

Mr. Lyness read the items on consent agenda.

- 5.1 *Approval of Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting on February 9, 2012 and the Executive Sessions on February 13 and 14, 2012.*
- 5.2 *Approval of claims for payment (113822-114155)*
- 5.3 *Approval of personnel report*

Request for Medical Leave

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
	ND/Guidance Counselor	3/5/2012

Recommendation for Employment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>
Jacqueline Morrison	EC/Asst. Cafeteria Manager
Justin Sprague	MS/Long Term Substitute
Robin Kichler	MS/Guidance Counselor (Half-time)
Brandon Loveless	Aquatics Center Supervisor
Jean Walters	IS/Homebound Instructor

Recommendation for Termination

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kelsey Wernke	MS/Cheer Coach	3/1/2012

Accept Letters of Resignation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Sharon Hicks	EC/ISS Supervisor	5/16/2012
Justin Sprague	MS/Instructional Assistant	4/4/2012
Bochun Kim	EC/Instructional Assistant	3/9/12

Accept Letters of Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Ralph Jackson	School Resource Officer	3/30/2012
Kevin Larison	MS/Language Arts Teacher	End of School Yr.
Patricia Hornberger	SE/Cafeteria worker	End of School Yr.
Roberta Wilhelm	ND/Administrative Assistant	7/1/2012

<u>Request for Change in Contract</u>		
<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Shirley Lemon	ROD/Educational Consultant (4 days per wk to 5 days per wk)	2/20/2012

5.4 Approval of overnight field trip

- Heather Zins and 20 ECHS Softball players going to a tournament at Ben Davis High School; leaving on 4/20/12 and returning on 4/21/12.

Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve with one motion and one vote the Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through and including 5.4 as presented.

Mrs. Fox made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to approve the consent agenda items as recommended. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness asked for nominations and seconds for Board members to serve on the negotiation committee. Mr. Norman nominated Mr. Scholl, seconded by Mr. Burress. Mr. Scholl nominated Mr. Norman, seconded by Mrs. Fox. Mrs. Fox nominated Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Huffman. Mr. Lyness asked how many members needed to be on the committee with Dr. Hendrix answering three. Mr. Scholl nominated Mr. Lyness and also backed out of his nomination, seconded by Mr. Anderson. Mr. Lyness called for the vote and the motions carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mr. Blake, Director of Financial Operations.

Mr. Blake read the Expenditure Goals for the 2011-12 school year which were presented at the February 9, 2012 Board meeting and recommended that the Board approve the resolution for setting these goals to be included with the Annual Performance Report published early 2013.

Mrs. Fox made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Huffman, to approve the resolution for setting Expenditure Goals for the 2011-12 school year as presented. The motion carried voice vote.

Mr. Blake reviewed the Financial Report for February 2012. He is estimating the cash balance in the general fund at the end of 2012 to be over a million dollars. He also reported that he received the Dearborn County 2012 approved budget but was still waiting on Ripley County.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mrs. Baines, Director of Human Resources.

Mrs. Baines updated the Board on their policy and stated that approval of the policy will be on the agenda for the April Board meeting. She noted that future changes to the policy are just a matter of Board action and the policy will be reviewed once a year and NEOLA will make recommendations for changes on the policy.

Mrs. Baines reminded the Board of their earlier approval of the retirement of School Resource officer Ralph Jackson and recommended that the Board approve hiring a sub at \$20.00 per hour, no benefits, for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year. Mrs. Fox noted that this would be for this particular situation only and should not set precedence.

Mr. Scholl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to approve the hiring of a sub at \$20.00 per hour and no benefits for the School Resource Officer position for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness asked for public comments and read the public comments policy. There were no public comments.

Mr. Lyness asked for any comments from the S-DEA. There were no comments.

Mr. Lyness recognized the Principals to report on their buildings.

Mrs. Morton, SE, reported on Jump Rope for Heart organized by Lisa Tyler stating Bright Elementary raised \$9300 and Sunman Elementary raised \$7500. The Tiger Paws will hold their Toy and Clothing sale on Saturday, March 10 at Sunman Elementary.

Mrs. Baudendistel, reporting for BE, stated that Mr. Goessling would like to thank his staff for their response to the tornado warning last Friday and that the Bright PTO festival is rescheduled for March 9, 2012.

Mr. Bond, NDE, reported on the Pennies for Patients campaign organized by Angie Prifogle stating students raised over \$5000 for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society. On April 9, 2012, author Marsha Thorton Jones will be visiting all three elementary buildings to discuss language arts and writing standards. He thanked Jayme Herbert for the ISTEP test running very smooth this week. There will be an orientation for new kindergarten students on Monday, March 12, 2012 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Bond, reporting for S-DIS, stated the EC 5th grade Mini-Dancers were the Indiana champs in the “pom” category and the 6th graders came in second place. S-DIS participated in the St. Jude’s Math-A-Thon raising \$2500. The Outdoor Lab will be featured in the upcoming *Indiana Wildlife Federation Magazine* and can be found online at www.indianawildlife.org. S-D Schools will have 9 Destination Imagination teams (1 from BE, 5 from IS/MS, 3 from EC) competing at the Regional competition on Saturday, March 10, 2012 in New Albany.

Mrs. Baudendistel, S-DMS, reported that her students participated as well in the Pennies for Patients campaign organized by Carol Schiering and raised \$3500. She also shared the records of the 7th and 8th grade Lady Trojans and the wrestlers, introduced Gabby Meyer, yearbook cover winner, invited everyone to the 1st annual S-DMS community picnic on April 24 from 3:30-5:30 p.m., invited Board Members and Central Office staff to the annual Teacher Appreciation Dinner on May 7 from 3:00-4:00 p.m., and lastly, mentioned the EC Trojanettes success at Showcase America.

Mr. Lyness asked the Board to comment on any items of interest. Mr. Norman shared his appreciation for the students attending the Board meeting to present their accomplishments.

Mr. Lyness recognized Dr. Hendrix, Superintendent.

Dr. Hendrix stated that he would like to echo Mr. Norman and shared that the topic of the IAPSS Winter Meeting that he attended earlier in the day focused on students being passionate and doing something they love. Dr. Hendrix mentioned the FFA competition being held this evening at EC, the most recent SuperChat that featured Donna Tanner with her cast members from *Grease* and Brenda Osman, Ashley McConnell, and Joleen Knotts. He reported that he attended the FCCLA State Convention where the top two chapters were Sunman-Dearborn schools; the Middle School was first and East Central was second. Finally, he sent his thoughts and prayers to West Clark Schools in regards to the recent tornados that swept through their area.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Lyness asked for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Fox made a motion, seconded by Mr. Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 pm EST. The motion carried by voice vote.