

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD  
 SUNMAN-DEARBORN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
 RIPLEY AND DEARBORN COUNTIES, INDIANA  
 AUGUST 8, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation was held August 8, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. EST, in Room #142 at East Central High School with the following individuals in attendance: Joe Graf, Joyce Huffman, John McKay, 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. Board member Brandon Burress was not present.

Mr. Lyness called the open meeting to order at 7:03 pm EST leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Lyness stated that there will not be a presentation by Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Lyness read the items on the consent agenda.

- 4.1 Approval of Minutes for the Executive Session on July 1, 2013, the Regular Board Meeting on July 11, 2013, and the Special Meeting on July 30, 2013.
- 4.2 Approval of claims for payment 118449 - 118666.
- 4.3 Approval of personnel report

Recommendation for Employment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building &amp; Assignment</u>
Emily Loftin	BE/Teacher
Desirae McCusker	BE/Instructional Assistant
Melissa Ollerdisse	BE/Instructional Assistant
Michele VanSickle	BE/Instructional Assistant
Elijah Smith	MS/Study Hall Monitor (5 ½ hrs to 6 hrs)
Jason Lewis	EC/Instructional Assistant
Virginia Chiacchira	SE/Instructional Assistant
Brittany Crabill	SE/Instructional Assistant
Katie Jackson	SE/Instructional Assistant
Lisa Ludwig	SE/Instructional Assistant
Heather Lunsford	SE/Instructional Assistant
Evelyn Jones	SE/Instructional Assistant
Jeana Cox	BE/Instructional Assistant
Rosetta Bennet	SE/Food & Nutrition Associate (2 hrs to 4.25 hrs)

Accept Letters of Resignation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building &amp; Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Emily Loftin	BE/Instructional Assistant	8/2/2013
Holly Noel	EC/Food & Nutrition Services Associate	7/31/2013
Crista Maddin	BE/Instructional Assistant	7/31/2013
Amanda Sells	BE/Instructional Assistant	8/2/2013
Kari Moore	SE/Instructional Assistant	8/4/2013

Accept Letters of Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building &amp; Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kay Trabel	IS/Food & Nutrition Services Associate	8/2/2013

Elimination of Position

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building &amp; Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Elizabeth Walters	ND/Instructional Assistant	8/8/2013

4.4 Approval of overnight field trip

- Brenda Osman taking 3 FCCLA members to the State Officer Meeting in Indianapolis, IN; leaving on 9/6/2013 and returning on 9/7/2013.

Mr. Lyness asked if the Board would like any items broken out individually.

Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve with one motion and one vote Consent Agenda items 4.1 through and including 4.4 as presented.

Mr. Norman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Graf, to approve consent agenda items 4.1 through and including 4.3. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness moved to Action Items.

Mr. Blake presented information to the Board on the 2014 Budget. He discussed issues, terminology, the budget calendar, assumptions made in preparing the budget, assessed value history, budget and levy estimates, and rate comparisons. With there being no questions, Mr. Blake recommended that the Board approve permission for him to advertise the 2014 Budget.

Mr. Scholl made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Huffman, to approve permission to advertise the 2014 Budget. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mrs. Baines recommended that the Board approve the revision of Board Policy 8400 as it was read at the July 11, 2013 meeting.

Mr. Graf made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to approve the revision of Board Policy 8400 as recommended. The motion carried by voice vote.

Dr. Hendrix reminded the Board of the presentation by Mr. Stonefield in regards to the East Central Athletic Hall of Fame at the July 11, 2013 meeting and recommended that the Board approve the creation of the Hall of Fame.

Mr. Norman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scholl, to approve the creation of the East Central Athletic Hall of Fame. The motion carried by voice vote.

Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve the Middle School Bullying survey as presented in their board packet.

Mr. Scholl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to approve the Middle School Bullying survey. Mr. Norman asked how the survey will be given. Mrs. Baudendistel answered that it will be on their website and also available in their parent resource center. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris updated the Board on summer projects and the results of the "group cleaning" that took place in all of the buildings for the first time this summer. He reported that an article on his custodians, along with a group picture, was featured in the local newspaper. He shared that buses are overcrowded, but that is a good thing, and he is working on moving some students around. He thanked the Principals for their help with bussing issues. He mentioned that the Dearborn County Safety Commission is meeting next week, there will be an A.L.I.C.E. training in Indianapolis on September 4 and 5, and finally, that Bonnie Kelly is working on getting us part of the \$20 million grant that the State has secured for school safety.

Mr. Lyness added that the drainage at the playground at North Dearborn looks like it is doing what we needed it to do.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mr. Blake.

Mr. Blake introduced Olivia Scardina, the new Director of Food and Nutrition Services, to the Board.

Mr. Blake reviewed the Financial Report for July 2013.

Mr. Lyness asked for public comments and read the public comments policy.

Rollie Hollowell, 2575 Flagstone Dr. in West Harrison, IN thanked the Board for allowing the Intermediate School PTO to pass out the drug kits during open house. He reported that over 300 kits were distributed and that an extra 100 kits were received from Prosecutor Negangard in which 50 of them will be given to the Middle School and the other 50 to East Central.

Mr. Lyness asked for comments from the SDEA. There were no comments.

Mr. Lyness recognized building Principals to report on their schools.

Mrs. Morton, SE, reported that Mrs. Vennemeier and Mr. Goessling were not present this evening because they are visiting a terminally ill staff member from the Intermediate School. She reported for Mrs. Vennemeier that the Intermediate School had an awesome open house.

As for Sunman Elementary, Mrs. Morton reported that she is excited that all 6 of her instructional assistants that were just approved hold at least a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. She shared that her staff is already discussing teacher committees, and that they enrolled 7 new students just today.

Mrs. Baudendistel, MS, reported that they had a great turnout for their open house. She has received positive feedback from her staff on the A.L.I.C.E. training and thanked the Board for approving the program. She stated that enrollment is at 649 students and 18 of them are new enrollees in the district. Upcoming events include picture day on August 21 and Pack the House night later in August. The parent/student resource center is close to being set up and a bullying hotline has been established.

Mr. Bond, ND, stated that they have had a smooth start to school, the building looks amazing, and he is feeling a lot of positive energy for this year.

Mr. Shipley, EC, reported that the first 3 days for staff were packed with A.L.I.C.E., CPR, and PLATO training. He stated that open house was a good turnout. He added that there was convocation for the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders on the first day of school while the 9<sup>th</sup> graders were with Top Mentors. He said that it was a "spooky start" to school because everything went so smooth.

Mr. Lyness asked for Board comments. Mr. Lyness stated that he appreciates the hard work of the community, staff, and principals and all they do to get ready for a new school year. He also thanked Mr. Harris and his staff for getting the buildings ready.

Mr. Lyness recognized Dr. Hendrix.

Dr. Hendrix stated that he visited each of the buildings on the first day of school and he said it looked like we had never even left for summer break. He commended Mr. Harris for handling all the transportation issues. He stated that this year he is going to work hard on public communication. He noted the first newsletter was already out and that a SuperChat took place this week. He mentioned his new blog site and where to find it. He added that the buildings look great. He thanked Mr. Schantz and the rest of the technology department for getting the firewall issue worked out. He stated that he thinks this is going to be one of the best years ever.

Mr. Lyness thanked Rollie Hollowell for what he did with the PTO at the Intermediate School.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Norman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Graf, to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm EST. The motion carried by voice vote.