

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

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SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Minutes of
Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education at the
Lifetime Education Center
321 So Fifth St.
Rockport, IN 47635
February 9, 2009

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order by Board President,
Mr. Jeff Roberts at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL:

Mr. Jeff Roberts, President	Present
Mr. Chris Brown, Vice President	Present
Mr. David Hemmer, Secretary	Present
Mr. Jim Boyer, Member	Present
Mrs. Jane Whitney, Member	Present
Mr. H. Mike Robinson, Superintendent	Present
Dr. Lee Gold, Assistant Superintendent	Present
Mr. Eric Ayer, Attorney	Present

NEWS MEDIA:

Journal Democrat	Present
Spencer County Leader	Present

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD – FEBRUARY 9, 2009 - 7:00 PM. IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE A.H. KENNEDY LIFETIME EDUCATION CENTER.

2009-024 **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board President, Jeff Roberts, called the meeting to order and everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2009-025 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda of the February 9, 2009 regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved as presented.

Motion: Chris Brown
Second: David Hemmer
Vote: 5-0

2009-026 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the January 12, 2009 Regular Meeting and Executive Session minutes of the Board was approved as presented.

Motion: Jane Whitney
Second: Jim Boyer
Vote: 5-0

2009-027 **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Robinson welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance and interest in South Spencer Schools. Due to the inclement weather and the need to cancel school, Mr. Robinson reported the following:

<u>School Days Missed</u>	<u>Make-up Days</u>
Sept. 15, 2008	Feb. 16, 2009
Sept. 16, 2008	April 10, 2009
Jan. 27, 2009	May 1, 2009
Jan. 28, 2009	May 26, 2009
Jan. 29, 2009	May 27, 2009
Jan. 30, 2009	May 28, 2009
Feb. 2, 2009	May 29, 2009

A special thank you to Steve Daming and the maintenance crew of Steve Wathen, Tom Newkirk and Bill Young, the school custodians for their efforts in getting our parking lots and sidewalks cleaned quickly and efficiently during the recent ice/snow storm as well as our excellent bus drivers for getting our kids to and from school during this past week under difficult circumstances.

Mr. Robinson also recognized the county road crews for quickly clearing the roads and the utility workers for restoring our power to the schools.

Kindergarten round up this year is scheduled for March 17, 2009 at Luce and March 20, 2009 at Rockport. Times and other information will be published in the local papers and posted on our school corporation website at a later date.

2009-028 **RECOGNITIONS**

None

2009-029 **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Nick Held, Ag. Educator Purdue University, requested the use of the flat land behind the LEC to use as a Community Garden Spot. They will be holding gardening classes at the 4-H Center on Feb. 23rd at 6:00 PM, March 10th at 6:00 PM and June 6th from 9:00 AM – noon. Martin-Serrin will coordinate the liability insurance with Purdue University.

The board agreed and a motion was made.

Motion: David Hemmer

Second: Jim Boyer

Vote: 5-0

2009-030 **STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

2009-031 **STATEMENTS/CONCERNS OF THE BOARD**

Chris Brown expressed an interest in a Parent Notification System.
Jeff Roberts discussed the topic of a curriculum director.

2009-032 **CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Approved the payroll claim docket and claims numbered 77 - 193.
2. Approved the Treasurer's Financial Report.
3. Accepted the resignation of William Voitke from the position of Boy's Soccer Coach for South Spencer High School, and post the position.
4. Approved the request for leave under FMLA for Amanda Tucker to begin March 9, 2009 and continue through the end of the 2008-09 school year.
5. Approved to post the position of band director for South Spencer County School Corporation.

Motion: David Hemmer

Second: Jane Whitney

Vote: 5-0

2009-033

OLD BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

1. Second reading of NEOLA Policies and Bylaws Volume 21, NO. 1, October 2008:

Policies

New

- 1537 – Military Service (Administrators)
- 3437 – Military Service (Professional Staff)
- 4437 – Military Service (Support Staff)
- 1231 – Outside Activities of Administrators
- 1411 – Whistleblower Protection (Administration)
- 3211 – Whistleblower Protection (Professional Staff)
- 4211 – Whistleblower Protection (Support Staff)

Revised

- 2340 – Field and other corporation sponsored trips
- 5111 – Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
- 5111.01 – Homeless Students
- 7440 – Plant Security
- 8310 – Public Records
- 3231 – Outside Activities of Staff (Professional Staff)
- 3430.01 – Family Medical Leaves of Absence (Professional Staff)
- 4430.01 – Family Medical Leaves of Absence (Support Staff)

Replacement

- 6150 – Enrollment of Students on a cash transfer basis

Deleted

- 6650 – Special Education Preschool Fund

Bylaws

New

- 0165.6 – Waiver of Notice

Revised

- 0165.3 – Special Meetings

Motion: Chris Brown
Second: Jim Boyer
Vote: 5-0

2009-034

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Make-up Days
Crosswalk – Rockport Elementary
Gym Floor – South Spencer Middle School
2009-2010 Corporation Calendar

2009-035 **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved J.C. Davis as a volunteer for the South Spencer High School Baseball team.

Motion: Jane Whitney
Second: Chris Brown
Vote: 5-0

2009-036 **NEW BUSINESS OF THE BOARD**

1. Approved the revised NEOLA GUIDELINES, Vol. 21 No. 1, October 2008, as presented.
 - 1411 – Whistleblower protection (Administration)
 - 3211 – Whistleblower protection (Professional Staff)
 - 4211 – Whistleblower protection (Support Staff)
 - 5111.01 – Homeless Students
 - 8330 – Student Records (Operations)

Motion: David Hemmer
Second: Jane Whitney
Vote: 5-0

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the resolution to exercise the option to purchase the real estate under Section 11 of Lease Agreement between South Spencer County School Corporation and South Spencer Middle School Building Corporation dated Sept. 11, 1995.

Motion: Jim Boyer
Second: Chris Brown
Vote: 5-0

B. OTHER

2009-037 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

These were written reports to the Board.

1. Technology Report
2. Staff Development Reports
3. Web Log Report
4. Maintenance Report
5. Transportation Report

2009-038 **MISCELLANEOUS**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, declare the attached outstanding check list void and canceled.

Motion: David Hemmer
Second: Chris Brown
Vote: 5-0

2009-039 **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Monday, March 9, 2009 at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the A. H. Kennedy Lifetime Education Center.

2009-040 **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: David Hemmer
Second: Jim Boyer
Vote: 5-0

Time: 8:25 PM

2009-041 **DOCUMENT SIGNING**

Note: There will be an executive session at 6:00 PM in the corporation conference room of the superintendent's office, 321 S. 5th St. prior to the regular meeting. The purpose of the executive session is in accordance with the I.C.5-14-1.5-6 (b) (1).