

MINUTES

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

SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

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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  
September 8, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Jeff Roberts,  
at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL:	Mr. Jeff Roberts, President	Present
	Mr. David Hemmer, Vice President	Present
	Mr. Barbara Tuley, Secretary	Present
	Mr. George Schwoeppe, Member	Present
	Mr. Derek Allen, Member	Present
	Mrs. Candis Haskell, Superintendent	Present
	Mr. Eric Ayer, Attorney	Present

NEWS MEDIA:	Journal Democrat	Absent
	Spencer County Leader	Present

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD – SEPTEMBER 8, 2014 - 7:00 PM. IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE A.H. KENNEDY LIFETIME EDUCATION CENTER.

2014-162      **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order by School Board President, Jeff Roberts. Everyone stood and joined for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2014-163      **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda of the September 8, 2014 regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved as presented.

Motion: David Hemmer  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5 – 0

2014-164      **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the August 11, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes and Executive Session minutes of the Board were approved as presented.

Motion: George Schwoeppe  
Second: David Hemmer  
Vote: 5 – 0

2014-165      **CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION 2015 ANNUAL BUDGET**

1. Conducted a public hearing on the proposed 2015 Annual Budget. There weren't any questions or comments.

Motion: Barbara Tuley  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5 – 0

2014-166      **CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION 2015 CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN**

1. Conducted a public hearing on the proposed 2015 Capital Projects Plan. There weren't any questions or comments.

Motion: David Hemmer  
Second: George Schwoeppe  
Vote: 5 – 0

2014-167      **CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION 2015 BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN**

1. Conducted a public hearing on the proposed 2015 Bus Replacement Plan. There weren't any questions or comments.

Motion: Derek Allen  
Second: George Schwoeppe  
Vote: 5 – 0

2014-168      **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

None

2014-169      **RECOGNITIONS**

- ❖ The Pre-K "Donors Chose Project" raised \$540.17 for a caterpillar tunnel for the playground in just 5 days. There were donors from as far away as Tennessee and Iowa who contributed.

2014-170      **PRESENTATIONS**

- ❖ ISTEP results presented by the building Principals.
  - Lori Herman reported that Luce Elementary School was above the state average in all subject areas tested in the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. She is extremely proud of the test results for each grade.
  - Aaron Meyer reported that Rockport Elementary School was also above the state average in all subject areas tested, with the exception of 5<sup>th</sup> grade math and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Language Arts. He plans to focus on those students that were close to a passing score as well as pass + scores. They plan on utilizing the My Big Campus program to assist in improving writing skills.
  - Scot French was unable to attend the meeting therefore he submitted the results for South Spencer Middle School via a report to the school board.
  - Angie Gladish reported the End of the Course Assessments results for South Spencer High School. The HS is tested on Algebra and English 10 as well as Biology, however the state only counts the scores for Algebra and English. South Spencer students tested scored above the state passing average in all three subject areas.

2014-171      **STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

2014-172      **STATEMENTS/CONCERNS OF THE BOARD**

None

2014-173      **CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Approved the payroll claim docket and accounts payable claims numbered 871 to 977.
2. Approved the Treasurers financial report.
3. Approved the list of volunteers as presented.
4. Approved the lease agreement as presented for Room #7 of the A.H. Kennedy Lifetime Education Center between South Spencer County School Corporation and Claudia Scott DBA Designing Divas, beginning October 1, 2014 on a month to month basis until their new building renovations are completed; approximately until the end of December 2014.
5. Approved the lease agreement as presented for Room #9 of the A.H. Kennedy Lifetime Education Center between South Spencer County School Corporation and Spencer County ARC, beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015.
6. Accepted the resignation from Jennifer Daming from her position as Cheer Sponsor at SSMS and approved to post the position.
7. Accepted the resignation from Zach Blanchard from his position as a football helper at SSMS.
8. Approved the out of state or overnight transportation requests as follows:
  - Luce Elementary**
    - KG class to the Riverpark Center; Owensboro, KY on 11-19-14
    - 1<sup>st</sup> grade class to the Riverpark Center; Owensboro, KY on 11-19-14
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class to the Riverpark Center; Owensboro, KY on 3-18-15
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes to the Riverpark Center; Owensboro, KY on 4-24-15
  - Rockport Elementary**
    - Pre-K class to Reid's Orchard; Owensboro, KY on 10-9-14
    - KG classes to Trunnel's Farm Market; Owensboro, KY on 10-9-14
    - 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes to the Riverpark Center; Owensboro, KY on 10-14-14
  - SSHS**
    - Intro. to Transportation class to Detroit, MI April 8-13, 2015
9. Approved the FMLA request from Carolyn Hufnagel to commence on September 10, 2014 returning in 5-12 weeks.
10. Approved the FMLA request from Kyla Grose to commence approximately October 7, 2014 returning in 6-8 weeks.
11. Approved to allow South Spencer High School to spend \$289.00 from interest income monies to pay for an institutional membership in the Indiana Association of School Principals.

12. Approved to allow Rockport Elementary School to spend \$311.00 from interest income monies to pay for participation in the Indiana New Administrative Leadership Institute through Indiana State

Motion: David Hemmer  
Second: Barbara Tuley  
Vote: 5 – 0

2014-174 **OLD BUSINESS OF THE BOARD**

None

2014-175 **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

None

2014-176 **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**  
**PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Ellen Sarver as the Student Council Advisor for South Spencer High School.

Motion: Barbara Tuley  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5 – 0

2. *Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve to employ Kristina Lindsey as Cheer Sponsor for South Spencer Middle School was tabled.*

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Alicia Buse as Co-Coach of the Academic Science team at South Spencer High School.

Motion: David Hemmer  
Second: Barbara Tuley  
Vote: 5 – 0

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Caleb Gravemier as Co-Coach of the Academic Science team at South Spencer High School.

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Derek Allen

Vote: 5 – 0

5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ John Hurley as the Supermileage Club Advisor at South Spencer High School.

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Derek Allen

Vote: 5 – 0

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the employment and the Letter of Agreement between South Spencer County School Corporation and Tim Martin for the position of Athletic Director beginning with the 2014-2015 school year; that states he will receive an additional \$500.00 for the extra days worked beyond the contract year. This is in addition to the stipend of \$8,751.00.

Motion: David Hemmer

Second: Barbara Tuley

Vote: 5 – 0

7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Cevin Collins, Greg Keith and Trent Martin for the position of Activities Director for South Spencer Middle School, splitting the \$3,094 stipend equally.

Motion: Derek Allen

Second: George Schwoeppe

Vote: 5 – 0

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#### **NEW BUSINESS OF THE BOARD**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the service agreement between South Spencer School Corporation and Southern Hills Counseling Center, Inc. beginning August 1, 2014 and expiring July 31, 2015, for the cost of \$2,812 annually.

Motion: David Hemmer

Second: George Schwoeppe

Vote: 5 – 0

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the agreement as presented between Varsity News Network Inc. (VNN) and South Spencer High School for the Championship Package for a one-time set up fee of \$1,400.

Motion: Derek Allen  
Second: David Hemmer  
Vote: 5 – 0

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Tax Neutrality Resolution to reduce the maximum levy for the Bus Replacement Fund by \$175,000 and the remaining levy reduction be taken out of the Transportation Operating Fund, for 2015 by the amount of the levy for the Retirement / Severance Bond Debt Service Fund allocable to the Taxable General Obligation Pension bond of 2004.

Motion: Barbara Tuley  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5 – 0

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of School Trustees of the South Spencer County School Corporation and the South Spencer County Classroom Teachers Association as presented; regarding the monies to be received from a Performance Award in Dec. 2014, the 2014-15 New Hire Salary Schedule, wages for the 2014-15 school year including an increase by one incremental step and 1% increase to teachers with a rating of Highly Effective or Effective per their final evaluation and have completed the leadership component of the evaluation. Teachers not completing the leadership hours will be paid per the Non-Participatory Contract Schedule.

Motion: David Hemmer  
Second: Barbara Tuley  
Vote: 5 – 0

## B. OTHER

2014-178

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

These were written reports to the Board.

1. Technology Report
2. Maintenance Report
3. Transportation Report



2014-179      **MISCELLANEOUS**

Mrs. Haskell congratulated the building administrators and the teachers for the fine job they do with the ISTEP scores and the testing. She stated that it is always a very stressful environment for everyone and the community truly appreciates everything that is done to help our kids be successful.

2014-180      **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Monday, October 13, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the A. H. Kennedy Lifetime Education Center.

2014-181      **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: George Schwoeppe  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5 – 0

Time: 7:26 PM

2014-182      **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. 5<sup>th</sup> 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).