

MINUTES

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

May 8, 2017

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SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Minutes of the  
Regular Meeting of the  
Board of School Trustees at  
South Spencer High School  
1142 N Orchard Rd CR 275 W  
Rockport, IN 47635  
May 8, 2017

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

ROLL:	Mr. Derek Allen, Member	Present
	Mr. Matt Bunner, Vice President	Present
	Mr. Steve Haaff, Member	Present
	Mr. Scott Richard, President	Present
	Mrs. Barbara Tuley, Secretary	Present
	Mr. Richard Rutherford, Superintendent	Present
	Mr. Bryan Rudisill, Attorney	Present

NEWS MEDIA:	Journal Democrat	Present
	Spencer County Leader	Present

2017-064 **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2017-065 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda of the May 8, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved with item #5 under Administrative Recommendations being deleted.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5-0

2017-066 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 10, 2017 Regular Board Meeting, was approved as presented.

Motion: Matt Bunner  
Second: Barbara Tuley  
Vote: 5-0

2017-067 **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Congratulations to the South Spencer High School Academic Super Bowl Team for qualifying in a Class 3 State Finalists. The State Finals will be held at the Loeb Playhouse on the Purdue University West Lafayette campus on May 6, 2017.
- Congratulations to the South Spencer High School Super Mileage Team for winning the Purdue Communication and Marketing Award at the Super Mileage Challenge on April 12, 2017.
- SSHS Underclassmen Awards Night will be held May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. in the auditorium.
- Rockport Elementary will have their Awards Day May 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. for K-2<sup>nd</sup> and 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>.
- Luce Elementary will have their Awards Day May 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 A.M. for 9-2<sup>nd</sup> and 1:00 P.M. for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>.
- South Spencer Middle School will have their Awards Day and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 A.M. in the Gymnasium.
- Last Day for the 2016-2017 school year will be on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
- South Spencer Graduation Commencement will be held on Saturday May 20, 2017 at 11:00 A.M. in the SSHS Gymnasium.

2017-068 **RECOGNITIONS**

- Volunteers of the Year 2016-2017  
Rockport Elementary – Jon and Vanessa Wright  
Luce Elementary – Brandy Wheatley  
SSMS – Cindy Lawrence  
SSHS – Brian and Miranda Zimmerman
- High School Students of the Month  
**Seniors Student of the Month**  
Rhiana Schwartz / Josh Bowlds  
Maria Rust / Caleb Helms  
Rachel Fitzgerald / Haavard Steffenson

**Juniors Student of the Month**

Rhiana Fantini / Yaro Fetysov  
Kelley Ludwig / Manuel Garcia-Hernandez  
Amber Tharp / Yannik Gruber

**Sophomores of the Month**

Hannah Ebelhar / Logan Risse  
Emma Stallings / Sean Kaufman  
Lydia Chord / Will Phillips

**Freshmen of the Month**

Jenna Lauer / Elijah Fisher  
Allie Rutherford / Tyler Ward  
AJ Middleton / Dylan Goodman

• Middle School Stars

**January 2017**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lydia Roberts / Taylor Harmon  
7<sup>th</sup> grade: Piper Gainer / Luke Scherer  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ariana Dickinson / Kolton Stevenson

**February 2017**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Briley Burns / Avery Mallory  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Leea Dowell / Ashton Tindle  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Madison Mayes / Kobe Bartlett

**March 2017**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Laine Wertz / Adam Wilhelmus  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Aabella Dulin / Jackson Raaf  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Kelsea Morris / Lucas Esarey

**April 2017**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Reagan Lawrence / Landon Wells  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Katelyn Tindle / Aiden Roberts  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Keiley Wilkinson / Garrett Kirchgessner

**May 2017**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Brianna Cundiff / Brigham Morse  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Carlie Gainer / Holton Compton  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Elizabeth Bryant / Connor Stewart

2017-069

**PRESENTATIONS**

Computer Game  
FACS PowerPoint  
Motorsports

2017-070

**CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Approved the payroll claim docket & claims numbered 402 - 535.
2. Approved the Treasurers financial report.
3. Approved the list of Volunteers as presented.
4. Accepted the resignation of Sherry Lehr as the Assistant Cheer Sponsor at South Spencer High School, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year, and post the position.
5. Accepted the retirement of LaVon Rininger as a teaching assistant at South Spencer High School, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
6. Accepted the resignation of Jesse Howell as Freshman Boys Basketball Coach at South Spencer High School, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 season, and post the position.

7. Accepted the resignation of Matt Martin as JV Basketball Coach for South Spencer High School, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 season.
8. Accepted the resignation of Steve Sanders as a Middle School Activities Director, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
9. Accepted the resignation of Jamie Toler as 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach for South Spencer Middle School, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 season, and post the position.
10. Accepted the resignation of John Wells as the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach for South Spencer Middle School, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 season.
11. Approved the purchase and placement of a stone for the Luce Elementary Nature Center. This is to be purchased from the Nature Center Account.
12. Approved the intermittent FMLA request from Sherry Lehr to commence on April 3, 2017 to May 17, 2017.
13. Approved the intermittent FMLA request from Beverly Keown to commence on April 18, 2017 to May 18, 2017.
14. Approved the intermittent FMLA request from Kristi Lantrip to commence on April 13, 2017 to May 18, 2017.
15. Approved to grant permission to post invitation for Bid for food products, paper goods, chemicals, and small wares.
16. Approved to allow the Rockport Elementary to spend approximately \$287.37 from interest income monies to purchase ECA checks from Boyce Forms.
17. Accepted the resignation of Jennifer Daming as Rebel Jazz Sponsor, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year, and post the position.
18. Approved to add a new daycare playground at Luce Elementary. The maintenance staff will be installing the equipment and mulch. The cost of the mulch is \$8,445.00. Backyard Fencing will be installing an approximate 75 X 50 fence located behind basketball court at a cost of \$4,816.00.
19. Accepted the resignation of Angela Gladish as South Spencer High School Principal, effective June 30, 2017 and post the position.
20. Approved the 2017-2018 Student Accident Insurance Renewal between South Spencer County School Corporation and Student Assurance Services Inc.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
 Second: Matt Bunner  
 Vote: 5-0

2017-071

**OLD BUSINESS OF THE BOARD**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the LEC demolition bid of \$389,750.00 by Abatement and Contracting Services LLC.

Motion: Matt Bunner  
 Second: Steve Haaff  
 Vote: 4 – 0- 1 Derek Allen

2017-072

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**  
**PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Jesse Howell as the South Spencer High School JV Boys Basketball Coach, effective with the 2017-2018 season.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
 Second: Derek Allen  
 Vote: 5-0

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Malin Webb as the South Spencer Middle School 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach, effective with the 2017-2018 season.

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

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to change Inez Hurm from a 6 hour 10 month custodian to a 8 hour 10 month custodian at Rockport Elementary, effective May 22, 2017.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5-0

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Lisa Beers as Site Administrator/cook for the Summer Feeding Program, at a rate of \$11.90 per hour for a maximum of four (4) hours per day.

Motion: Matt Bunner  
Second: Steve Haaff  
Vote: 5-0

5. DELETED

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Jennifer Daming as Head Cheer Sponsor at South Spencer High School, effective with the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion: Matt Bunner  
Second: Barbara Tuley  
Vote: 5-0

7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to employ Greg Gogel as South Spencer High School Assistant Principal/AD at a contracted amount of \$75,000.00 working 206 days starting July 1, 2017.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
Second: Matt Bunner  
Vote: 5-0

2017-073

**NEW BUSINESS OF THE BOARD**

1. Upon the recommendation of the School Board approved the appointment of Matt Bunner as the School Board Advisory Member for the Redevelopment Board for the City of Rockport.

Motion: Derek Allen  
Second: Steve Haaff  
Vote: 5-0

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to purchase two 72 passenger Thomas buses and one 54 passenger Thomas bus equipped with wheel chair lift. Bus numbers 4, 10 and 28 will be traded and the total minus trade in is \$288,892.90. Buses are purchased off of the state approved IAESC Wilson Education Center procurement program.

Motion: Matt Bunner  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5-0

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to sell bus number 7 with a blown engine to Morris Grimes for \$999.00. The declaration letter from Kerlin Bus Sales states that the bus has no trade in value.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
Second: Matt Bunner  
Vote: 5-0

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to declare the old furniture and equipment in the LEC as obsolete or of no value and approve donating to local non-profits.

Motion: Matt Bunner  
Second: Steve Haaff  
Vote: 5-0

5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the request for South Spencer Middle School to adopt McGraw Hill Education iScience for 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> grades, and 8<sup>th</sup>.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
Second: Derek Allen  
Vote: 5-0

6. Granted authorization to the Superintendent Richard Rutherford to distribute RIF, and reassignment notifications as needed for the 2017-2018 School year.

Motion: Steve Haaff  
Second: Matt Bunner  
Vote: 5-0

2017-074 **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

2017-075 **INFORMAITON ITEMS**

These were written reports to the Board.

1. Technology / Maintenance Report
2. Transportation Report
3. Professional Development Report

2017-076 **STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

2017-077 **STATEMENTS/CONCERNS OF THE BOARD**

2017-078

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Monday, June 12, 2017 at 7:00 PM at South Spencer High School in the auditorium.

2017-079

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Matt Bunner  
Second: Barbara Tuley  
Vote: 5-0  
Time: 7:51 P.M.

2017-080

**DOCUMENT SIGNING**