

SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA
JANUARY 8, 2024
6:15 P.M.
SOUTH SPENCER HIGH SCHOOL

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

School Board President, Janet Stoermer, called the meeting to order.

The following Board Members attended:

- Janet Stoermer - President
- Melissa Middleton – Vice President
- Tyler Hermann – Secretary
- Matt Bunner – Member
- George Schwoeppe - Member

Consideration of Routine Items

The agenda of the January 8, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved as presented.

Motion: Matt Bunner
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

The minutes of the December 11, 2023 Regular Board Meeting, were approved as presented.

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Melissa Middleton
Vote: 5-0

Superintendent's Report

Amy Chapman shared updates with our Farm to School Program along with Lori Wilson and Laura Newton about the South Spencer Food Pantry.

Election of Board of School Trustee Officers/Board of Finance Member & Appointment of Committees for Year 2024

1. President: Melissa Middleton

Motion: Tyler Hermann
Second: George Schwoeppe
Vote: 5-0

2. Vice President: Tyler Hermann

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Melissa Middleton
Vote: 5-0

3. Secretary: George Schwoeppe

Motion: Janet Stoermer
Second: Melissa Middleton
Vote: 5-0

4. Corporation Treasurer: Monica Daming

Motion: Melissa Middleton
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

5. Legislative Liaison for ISBA: Matt Bunner

Motion: Melissa Middleton
Second: George Schwoeppe
Vote: 5-0

6. Victor Mohr Scholarship Committee: George Schwoeppe

Motion: Melissa Middleton
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

7. Negotiation Committee: Tyler Hermann

Motion: Janet Stoermer
Second: George Schwoeppe
Vote: 5-0

8. Rockport Re-development Board as a non-voting member: Matt Bunner

Motion: Janet Stoermer
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote 5-0

Consent Items

1. Approved the payroll claim dockets and the accounts payable claims as presented in board packet.
2. Approved the Treasurer's Financial reports for December 2023.
3. Accepted the resignation of the following, approved to post the positions and grant permission to hire:

- a. Sara Campbell – SSHS Beta Club Sponsor, effective December 1, 2023
- b. Hillary Notter – Luce Elementary Cook, effective immediately
- c. John Wells – SSMS Swim Coach, effective January 3, 2024
- d. Mikeal Freeman – Rockport Elementary Teaching Assistant, effective January 4, 2024

Motion: Janet Stoermer
 Second: George Schwoeppe
 Vote: 5-0

Consideration of Administrative Recommendations

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Resolution to Transfer Funds from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund for 2024.

Motion: Tyler Hermann
 Second: Janet Stoermer
 Vote: 5-0

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Board of School Trustees Meeting Dates and Times for 2024:

Feb. 12th - 6:00 PM	Aug. 12th - 6:00 PM
Mar. 11th - 6:00 PM	Sept. 9th - 6:00 PM
Apr. 8th - 6:00 PM	Oct. 21st - 6:00 PM
May 13th - 6:00 PM	Nov. 11th - 6:00 PM
June 10th - 6:00 PM	Dec. 9th - 6:00 PM
July 8th - 6:00 PM	Jan. 13 th 2025 - 6:00 PM

Motion: George Schwoeppe
 Second: Janet Stoermer
 Vote: 5-0

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appointed the Representative to serve on the Spencer County Library Board.

Motion: Matt Bunner
 Second: George Schwoeppe
 Vote: 5-0

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Early Literacy Achievement Grant Distribution Plan.

Motion: Tyler Hermann
 Second: Janet Stoermer
 Vote: 5-0

5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Renewal of Insurance with Educational Service Centers Risk Funding Trust for 2024.

Motion: Janet Stoermer
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Year End Transfers of Appropriations within Accounts in the Education Fund and Operations Fund.

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Janet Stoermer
Vote: 5-0

7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Engagement Agreement with Andrew Foster to serve as the South Spencer County School Corporation Attorney for 2024.

Motion: Matt Bunner
Second: George Schwoeppe
Vote: 4-0-1 (Tyler Hermann Abstained)

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to hire
 - a. Matt Martin – Guidance Counselor at SSHS, effective January 9, 2024.
 - b. Eryn Jochim – Reassignment to Social Studies Teacher at SSHS, effective January 9, 2024.
 - c. Salma Gonzalez-Sosa – Spanish Teacher at SSHS, effective January 9, 2024.
 - d. Allison Brown – Nursing Assistant at Rockport Elementary School, effective January 8, 2024.
 - e. Tara Davis – Bus Driver, effective January 3, 2024.
 - f. Bridgett Houghton – Bus Driver, effective January 3, 2024.
 - g. Salma Gonzalez-Sosa – Head Volleyball Coach at SSHS, effective 2024-2025 school year.
 - h. Brooke Springer – Assistant Volleyball Coach at SSHS, effective 2024-2025 school year
 - i. Becky Harpenau – Head Swim Coach (50%) at SSMS, effective 2023-2024 school year.
 - j. Shelby Harpenau – Head Swim Coach (50%) at SSMS, effective 2023-2024 school year.
 - k. Cara Matthews – Swim Helper at SSMS, effective 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: Matt Bunner
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

Informational Items

These were written reports to the Board.

1. Technology Report

2. Maintenance Report
3. Transportation Report
4. New Volunteers Report

Statements/Concerns of the Board

Mr. Schneider recognized Shelly Meredith for all her hard work in getting 2 new drivers trained and licensed. South Spencer has been short on drivers. This should help to more efficiently cover our routes. Thanked the 2 new drivers for stepping up to become drivers.

Melissa Middleton welcomed new staff members. Asked new employees to stand. Congratulated students for completing first semester classes especially with all the new changes that happened this year. Hoped everyone had a wonderful holiday season.

Matt Bunner appreciated the food pantry. Asked for more information about the food safety. Doesn't want to set us up for illnesses. What is done with food waste? How is privacy maintained? Concerned with food grown within South Spencer.

Next Meeting Date

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the multi-purpose room at South Spencer High School.

Adjournment

Time: 6:46 PM

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Tyler Hermann

Vote: 5-0

Document Signing

All Students - All the Time