

**SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 13, 2025**

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

School Board President, Melissa Middleton, called the meeting to order.

The following Board Members attended:

- Melissa Middleton – President
- Tyler Hermann – Vice President
- George Schwoeppe – Secretary
- Janet Stoermer – Member
- Laura Blake - Member

**Consideration of Routine Items**

The agenda of the January 13, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved as presented.

Motion: Tyler Hermann  
Second: Laura Blake  
Vote: 5-0

The minutes of the December 9, 2024 Regular Board Meeting, were approved as presented.

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

**Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Schneider acknowledged receipt of a notice from the Department of School Finance. Spencer County fell \$14,000 short of meeting our funding floor in 2024. This dealt with ESSER funds instead of Education Funds. If anyone has any questions, please reach out to Mr. Schneider.

**Election of Board of School Trustee Officers/Board of Finance Member & Appointment of Committees for Year 2025**

1. President: Melissa Middleton

Motion: Janet Stoermer  
Second: Laura Blake  
Vote: 5-0

2. Vice President: Tyler Hermann

Motion: Janet Stoermer  
Second: Laura Blake  
Vote: 5-0

3. Secretary: George Schwoeppe

Motion: Janet Stoermer  
Second: Laura Blake  
Vote: 5-0

4. Corporation Treasurer: Missy Raaf

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

5. Legislative Liaison for ISBA: Janet Stoermer

Motion: Tyler Hermann  
Second: Laura Blake  
Vote: 5-0

6. Victor Mohr Scholarship Committee: George Schwoeppe

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

7. Negotiation Committee: Laura Blake

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

8. Rockport Re-development Board as a non-voting member: Laura Blake

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

**Consent Items**

1. Approved the payroll claim dockets and the accounts payable claims as presented in the board packet.
2. Approved the Treasurer’s Financial reports for December 2024.
3. Accepted the resignation of the following, approved to post the positions and grant permission to hire:
  - a. Mallory Tempel – SSMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Teacher, effective January 10, 2025
  - b. Angela English – SSCSC Speech-Language Pathologist, effective January 17, 2025
  - c. Shelby Burdin – Luce Elementary One-on-One Health Aide, effective December 25, 2024
  - d. Renee Edge – SSMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach, effective December 9, 2024

Motion: George Schwoeppe  
Second: Janet Stoermer  
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 2025.

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

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Board of School Trustees Meeting Dates and Times for 2025:

Feb. 10th - 6:00 PM	Aug. 11th - 6:00 PM
Mar. 10th - 6:00 PM	Sept. 8th - 6:00 PM
Apr. 14th - 6:00 PM	Oct. 20th - 6:00 PM
May 12th - 6:00 PM	Nov. 10th - 6:00 PM
June 9th - 6:00 PM	Dec. 8th - 6:00 PM
July 14th - 6:00 PM	Jan. 12th - 6:00 PM

Motion: Janet Stoermer  
Second: Laura Blake  
Vote: 5-0

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

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

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Renewal of Insurance with Educational Service Centers Risk Funding Trust for 2025.

Motion: Janet Stoermer

Second: Laura Blake

Vote: 5-0

5. 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

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Engagement Agreement with Andrew Foster to serve as the South Spencer County School Corporation Attorney for 2025.

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Tyler Hermann

Vote: 5-0

7. Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Overnight Trip for Boys Basketball.

Motion: Janet Stoermer

Second: Laura Blake

Vote: 5-0

### **Consideration of Personnel Recommendations**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to hire:
  - a. Tina Nix – Teaching Assistant at Luce Elementary, effective January 6, 2025.
  - b. Erin Trogden – One-on-One Health Aide at Luce Elementary, effective January 6, 2025.
  - c. Jace Kelly – Basketball Helper at SSMS, pending final completion of background check.

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Tyler Hermann

Vote: 5-0

### **Informational Items**

These were written reports to the Board.

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

### **Statements/Concerns of the Board**

Melissa Middleton commended our administration, staff, maintenance, transportation, and everyone involved that helped with maintaining our buildings during the snow storm, custodians for cleaning the sidewalks at all of the buildings, and Dean and his team. Everyone has done a fantastic job of keeping our buildings up to par. She thanked Mr. Schneider and Ms. Hermann for opening the high school as a warming station during the winter storm.

### **Next Meeting Date**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Monday, February 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the multi-purpose room at South Spencer High School.

### **Adjournment**

Time: 6:18 PM

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

### **Document Signing**

*All Students - All the Time*