

**SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
**JUNE 9, 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 June 9, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved as presented.

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Janet Stoermer

Vote: 5-0

The minutes of the May 12, 2025 Regular Board Meeting, were approved as presented.

Motion: Tyler Hermann

Second: Laura Blake

Vote: 5-0

**Superintendent's Report**

Amy Chapman, Jami Denham and Connie McDaniel presented Literacy Cadre Summary for the past 2 years. This year's goal was 91% for Indiana students to read proficiently by 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. The goal is 95% by 2027. Luce Elementary had 100% 3<sup>rd</sup> graders pass IREAD and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade had 84% with the state average being around 40%. Rockport Elementary had 84% 2<sup>nd</sup> graders pass the IREAD and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade had 94.4% pass. Rockport still has some students participating in Summer School and will get a 2<sup>nd</sup> opportunity to take the test and will hopefully pass and get them to 100%.

**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 May 2025.
3. Accepted the resignation of the following, approved to post the positions and granted permission to hire:
  - a. Sarah Garrett – SSSH Prom Sponsor, effective May 22, 2025
  - b. Olivia Booher – SSSH Summer Band Woodwind & Visual Tech, effective May 19, 2025

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

### **Consideration of Administrative Recommendations**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Principal at Rockport Elementary for the 2025-2026 School Year.

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

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved declaring items Surplus and Obsolete and Offer them for Sale or Recycle.

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

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the 2026 School Budget Calendar.

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

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the addition of Head Custodian Position at All Four Schools for 2025-2026 School Year.

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

5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Overnight Trips to Rose-Hulman Institute in Terre Haute for the Wrestling Team.

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Janet Stoermer

Vote: 5-0

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the Science Textbook Adoption at South Spencer Middle School for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Motion: Laura Blake

Second: Tyler Hermann

Vote: 5-0

7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved using the Interest Account to Pay for Spell Bowl Competitions.

Motion: Janet Stoermer

Second: Laura Blake

Vote: 5-0

### **Consideration of Personnel Recommendations**

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to hire:

- a. Colton Plymale – Chemistry Teacher at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- b. Samantha Hawes – Daycare Aide at Luce Elementary, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- c. Brandy Wheatley – ECA Position - Prom Sponsor at South Spencer High School, effective 2025 - 2026 school year.
- d. John Hurley – ECA Position - FFA Assistant Sponsor at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- e. Zach Shelton – ECA Position – Assistant Football Coach at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- f. Bruce Green - ECA Position – Assistant Football Coach at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- g. Dustin Utzman - ECA Position – Assistant Football Coach at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- h. Jacob Lauer - ECA Position – Assistant Football Coach (50%) at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- i. Jaylen Tayler - ECA Position – Assistant Football Coach (50%) at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- j. William Barclay - ECA Position – Assistant Football Coach (50%) at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- k. Jacob Huff - ECA Position – Assistant Football Coach (50%) at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- l. Zach Blanchard – ECA Position – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Coach at South Spencer Middle School, effective 2025-2026 school year.

- m. Jared Light-Autry - ECA Position –Football Helper at South Spencer Middle School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- n. Salma Gonzalez – ECA Position - Volleyball Head Coach at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- o. Karlee Frobeter – ECA Position - Volleyball Assistant Coach at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- p. Lara Hancock – ECA Position – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach at South Spencer Middle School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- q. Abby Madison – ECA Position - Varsity/JV Cheer Sponsor at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- r. Erin Trogden – ECA Position – Assistant Varsity/JV Cheer Sponsor at South Spencer High School, effective 2025-2026 school year.
- s. Lara Hancock – ECA Position – Cheer Sponsor at South Spencer Middle School, effective 2025-2026 school year.

Motion: Tyler Hermann

Second: Laura Blake

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 – Jerry Denstorff,, former football coach at South Spencer High School for over two decades, passed away. Welcome Mr. Hill, Mr. Plymale and Ms. Hawes and their families to South Spencer. Reminder that Back to School Bash is July 31 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM at South Spencer High School. Enjoy your summer!

### **Next Meeting Date**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Monday, July 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the multi-purpose room at South Spencer High School.

### **Adjournment**

Time: 6:42 PM

Motion: George Schwoeppe

Second: Tyler Hermann

Vote: 5-0

### **Document Signing**

All Students - All the Time