

SWITZERLAND COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2003

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG President Wayne Daugherty called the meeting to order and lead the group in the pledge to the flag.

ATTENDANCE Duane Cole, Wayne Daugherty, John Ranz, Laurice See, James Phipps, William Roberts, and Superintendent, Tracy Caddell. Andy Truitt was absent.

Others in attendance were Mona Crabtree, Pat Lanman, Sharon Barbour, Missy Morris, Sara Pavey, Cathy McAlister, Dan McAlister, Vera McAlister, David Todd, Vernon Waltz, Ronald Hocker, and Greg Curlin and Ann Geyman.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Mr. Caddell recommended approving the agenda as presented. Mr. Phipps made the motion to approve, Mr. Cole seconded. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Mrs. See made the motion to adopt the minutes of the December 16th meeting. Mr. Ranz seconded. The vote was unanimous.

FUND REPORT Mr. Roberts made the motion to approve the Fund Report as submitted. After discussion about transportation, the motion was seconded by Mr. Phipps and the vote was unanimous.

CLAIMS Claims number 944 to 968 and 25986 to 26151 were presented for approval. After questioning Paul Rohe and Weber Greenhouse claims, Mr. Phipps made the motion to approve all claims as submitted. Mr. Cole seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS Mr. Todd accompanied Dan McAlister while the board members recognized him and presented him with a Sportsmanship Award.

A motion to elect two board members, Mrs. See and Mr. Roberts, for the Board of Finance Committee was made by

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Mr. Phipps and seconded by Mr. Ranz. The vote was unanimous.

The motion to approve the transfer of appropriations as presented was made by Mr. Ranz, seconded by Mrs. See, and vote unanimous.

Mr. Roberts made the motion to approve the gas clause as presented. Mr. Cole seconded, and vote unanimous.

Mr. Cole made the motion to approve the donation of Standards Master Software, an extension of Excellerated Reader, from Jefferson-Craig Elementary by their school's PTO. Mr. Ranz seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Policy Numbers 6.0-96, 2.11, 6.0-75, 7.0-1, 7.0-2 and 7.0-2(a), 7.0-7, 7.0-15 were recommended for deletion. Mr. Caddell stated that these were not really policies, but pieces of information. Mrs. See said that she'd like to see those informational items included somewhere for new board members. The motion to approve the deletions was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Phipps, and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Caddell presented the Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy for the first reading. This policy will be recommended for approval at the February meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Ranz to declare a transportation list presented to the board as surplus items and sell through the bid process. Mr. Cole seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Mrs. See made a motion to approve the addition of a Civil Rights Statement to the policy manual, teacher's handbook and student's handbook. Mr. Cole asked if we would need to change the information each time the named personnel changed. Mr. Hocker affirmed that this was the law. Mr. Phipps seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

PLUBLIC COMMENTS

None

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PERSONNEL

Mr. Ranz made the motion to approve Mona Crabtree as Interim Treasurer (retroactive) for January 6th through January 20th, and bond set for \$100,000. The motion was seconded by Mr. Phipps, and passed unanimously.

Ann Centers-Geyman was recommended for employment as the Business Manager/Treasurer for the Switzerland County School Corporation at the salary presented and a set bond of \$100,000. Mr. Ranz made the motion to approve, Mr. Cole seconded. Ayes: See, Cole, Ranz, Daugherty, and Phipps. Nays: Roberts.

Melissa May was recommended for employment with the Switzerland County School Corporation as Deputy Treasurer at the salary presented and set bond at \$75,000. The motion to approve was made by Mr. Ranz, seconded by Mr. Phipps. Ayes: See, Cole, Ranz, Phipps. Nays: Roberts. Abstain: Daugherty.

Mr. Phipps made the motion to approve five days of paid vacation for Donna Harlow. Mr. Ranz seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Roberts made the motion to approve a contract with Craig Bernius (retroactive) to work as a consultant to the Switzerland County School Corporation as needed to assist the new Business Manager/Treasurer, at an hourly rate as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ranz, and the vote was unanimous.

A contract with Janet Daugherty to work for the Switzerland County School Corporation as a consultant (retroactive) as needed at the hourly rate presented was recommended for approval. Mrs. See made the motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Roberts. Ayes: Cole, Roberts, Phipps, See, Ranz. Abstain: Daugherty.

PROFESSIONAL LEAVE/
FIELD TRIPS

Mr. Roberts made the motion to approve the attendance of Phyllis Weaver at a 2003 Indiana Counselor Association Annual Conference on February 13 – 14 in Indianapolis at a cost of \$255.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cole. The vote was unanimous.

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USE OF FACILITIES

Mr. Roberts made the motion to approve the use of the Switzerland County Elementary School Cafeteria for the Cub Scouts on February 9th and March 15th at no charge. Mr. Ranz seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
AND REPORTS:
(SUPERINTENDENT)

Mr. Caddell congratulated Dan McAlister on his sportsmanship award.

Mr. Caddell read aloud an update given to him by Mrs. Haskell on a visit by her students to a nursing home.

An Endowment Committee meeting was announced for 6:30 on Thursday, January 28th.

Best wishes were extended to missing board member, Andy Truitt, and Ann Geyman was welcomed to the staff.

BOARD REPORT AND
COMMENTS

Mr. Daugherty welcomed Ann Geyman to the staff and commended Dan McAlister for his award. He said that he believed Mr. Truitt was recovering from surgery and doing well.

Mr. Cole praised Dan McAlister and welcomed Ann to the staff.

Mr. Ranz echoed the sentiments of the other board members by praising Dan McAlister and said that upgrading the Business Manager/Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer positions was a step in the right direction.

Mr. Phipps stated that he agreed with everything that had already been said.

Mr. Roberts had no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Phipps made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. See seconded, with the vote being unanimous.

Wayne Daugherty, President

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John S. Ranz, Vice President

Laurice See, Secretary

Duane L. Cole, Member

James Phipps, Member

William Roberts, Member

Andy Truitt, Member