

SWITZERLAND COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

APRIL 26, 2004

7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER AND
PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

President Ranz called the meeting to order and lead the group in the pledge to the flag.

ATTENDANCE

Board members in attendance included Mr. Ranz, Mr. Truitt, Mrs. See, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Daugherty, Mr. Cole, Mr. Phipps, and Superintendent Caddell.

Others in attendance were Mona Crabtree, Jerry Monjar, Steve Higgins, Roger Christman, Marietta Crandell, Brenda Godsey, Earl Holms, Lydia Scudder, Glo Asbury, Pansy Covington, Georgia Carver, Donna Paige, Vernon Waltz, Ginny Reeves, James May, Cathy Michalek, Darin Gullion, Mark Lohide, and Janet Hendricks.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Phipps made a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting as submitted. Mr. Cole seconded. The vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS

A presentation was given by Kathy Michalek to show the board members the capabilities of the PLATO Learning Program. Some of the things included with this system were software, 45 laptop computers and ear phones. This program would combine Science, Math and Reading curriculums. The software would be upgraded on a yearly basis. The program was chosen by the teachers with all schools participating in the process. ACT, ISTEP, and SAT practices and preparations are also included in the program. Mrs. Hendricks said the lab classes are wanted. There would also be a Credit Recovery program designed to help students who have been out for two weeks at a time, get extra individualized practice. After the presentation, Mr. Phipps moved to approve the \$180,000 Endowment Request for the software program and computers. The motion was seconded by Mr. Truitt with the vote being unanimous.

Mrs. See moved to table endowment requests made by Mrs. Jones, Tara Justice and Denise Loaring. Mr. Cole seconded. The vote was unanimous.

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A motion was made by Mrs. See and seconded by Mr. Daugherty to approve the Endowment Fund Request of \$42,800 made by Danny DeBaun for Heat Pumps at Switzerland County Elementary. The vote was unanimous.

High School Art teacher, Donna Paige, presented an Endowment Request for Board approval for art equipment in the amount of \$46,062.91. Mr. Daugherty made a motion to approve the request with Mr. Roberts seconding. The vote was unanimous.

Also in a unanimous decision, a Technology Mini-Grant presented by Mrs. Reeves in the amount of \$15,000 through the Indiana Library and Historical Board was approved. The motion to approve the grant was made by Mrs. See and seconded by Mr. Cole.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Phipps made a motion to approve the recommendations made by the Transportation Committee regarding the four-year bus route contracts. Mr. Daugherty seconded and in a unanimous decision, the contracts were awarded as follows:

Glo Asbury:	Route 26	\$139.99 per day
Georgia Carver:	Route 0	\$135 per day
Pansy Covington:	Route 23	\$155 per day
Larry Monjar:	Route 63	\$150 per day
James May:	Routes 17& 31	\$247.25 per day
Pleasant View: (Owner Roger Christman)	Routes 8, 29, 33, 1, 2, 4, 20, C-41, 14, 10, 27, & 32	\$1,663 per day

A request was made by John Sieglitz to accept the donation of ten computer workstations from the U.S. Senate PC for Schools. Mr. Roberts moved to accept the donation with Mr. Cole seconding. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

BOARD REPORTS AND

Mr. Daugherty said that he just wanted to say that he felt like the Prom turned out to be a great event and wanted to thank anyone involved for all of their hard

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work and dedication.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Truitt moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Roberts seconded. The vote was unanimous.