

**SWITZERLAND COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

May 19, 2008

7:00 P.M.

The School Board of Trustees met before the regular public meeting for an Executive Session from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Switzerland County Administration Building.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Mr. Phipps called the meeting to order and led the group in the pledge to the flag.

ATTENDANCE:

Board members in attendance were Mr. Phipps, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Cole, Mr. McKay, Mr. Waltz, and Superintendent Gullion.

Others in attendance were Wilma Swango, Mona Crabtree, Ronald Hocker, Candis Haskell, Michael Jones, Elizabeth T. Jones, Nancy Stearns, Michael Stearns, Rebecca Bunner, Peggy Eckerty, John Sieglitz, Louise Turner, Julee Cole, Terry Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Lisa Arnoldy, Tabitha Arnoldy, Tracy Hines, Mark Arnold, Morgan Arnold, Marie Arnold, Nathan Steinbis, Tim Steinbis, Jonathan Moore, Monica Steinbis, Jeff Moore, Ethan Cunningham, Leslie Cunningham, George Breden, and Steve Turner.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of 2 staff development leave applications, 3 field trip requests, and 1 RIF recommendation. Mr. Waltz seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting of April 21, 2008. Mr. McKay made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Roberts seconded.

FUND REPORT:

Mr. McKay moved to approve the fund report as submitted. Mr. Cole seconded. Mr. Cole commented that Cafeteria Director, Gayla Bullock, should get a "hats off" for putting the cafeteria back on track. There being no further questions, the board voted unanimously to approve the report.

CLAIMS:

Vendor Claims #35807 through 35941 and Payroll Claims for 4/29/08 and 5/09/08 were presented for approval in a motion by Mr. Cole and seconded by Mr. McKay. The board voted unanimously to approve the claims as submitted.

CELEBRATE SUCCESS:

In the Celebrate Success part of the meeting, the school board recognized the nominees for each of the schools. Vice President Phipps congratulated each student with a pin and a handshake. The nominees are as follows:

Jefferson Craig Elem.: James Cunningham, gr. K, nom. by B. Bunner & G. Breden
Switz. Co. Elem.: Morgan Arnold, gr. 4, nominated by P. Eckerty
Switz. Co. Middle School: Jonathan Moore, gr. 8, nom. by J. Hickman & L. Repper
Switz. Co. High School: Tabitha Arnoldy, gr. 11, nominated by J. Cole

OLD BUSINESS:

The board unanimously approved the 2008-2009 School Improvement Plan and Student Handbook for the Switzerland County Elementary School in a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. McKay.

Mr. Roberts moved to approve Switzerland County Middle School's 2008-2009 School Improvement Plan and Student Handbook. Mr. Waltz seconded. The board's vote was unanimous to approve.

The board voted unanimously to approve the High School's 2008-2009 School Improvement Plan and Student Handbook in a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Waltz.

In a motion by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. McKay, the board voted unanimously to approve Jefferson-Craig Elementary's 2008-2009 Student Handbook. The school's Improvement Plan was approved at the previous meeting.

The board's vote was unanimous to approve the following Endowment Requests in a motion by Mr. Waltz, seconded by Mr. McKay:

- Long Term Permanent Projects: \$125,000.00
- M.S. Window Repairs: \$ 12,800.00
- Corporation Sound System: \$ 3,386.00
- Computer "CORE" Switch: \$ 10,913.35
- UPS Phone System (bat. bkup.): \$ 5,806.00
- Water Pump (for flooding): \$ 1,289.97
- Old Gym Wall Pads: \$ 9,610.00
- JC Boiler Replacement: \$ 48,850.00
- 2009 Debt Service Payments: \$492,604.00
- HS Stage/Podiums/Show Cases: \$ 15,534.00
- HS Gym Resurfacing \$ 4,981.00

- HS Gym Bleacher End Curtain: \$ 1,570.00
- MS Smart Boards: \$ 9,774.00
- SCES Smart Boards: \$ 35,139.50

NEW BUSINESS:

The board voted unanimously to approve the 2008 Textbook Adoption list in a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Cole. They are as follows:

Switzerland County Elementary School Lang. Arts

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Proposed Text</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Price</u>
1 st Grade	Big Book Package (2001) 0-02-245217-6	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$550.83
2 nd Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245559-0	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$ 37.56
3 rd Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245561-2	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$ 46.02
4 th Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245562-0	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$ 46.02
5 th Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245563-9	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$ 49.50

Jefferson-Craig Elementary School Lang. Arts

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Proposed Text</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Price</u>
1 st Grade	Big Book Package (2001) 0-02-245217-6	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$550.83
2 nd Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245559-0	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$ 37.56
3 rd Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245561-2	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$46.02
4 th Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245562-0	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$ 46.02
5 th Grade	Language Arts Hardcover (2005) 0-02-245563-9	Macmillan/McGraw-Hill	\$49.50

Switzerland County Middle School Lang. Arts

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Proposed Text</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Price</u>
6 th Gr.	Glencoe Writer's Choice Gramm. and Comp. (2007) 0-07-829814-8	Glencoe	\$55.95
7 th Gr.	Glencoe Writer's Choice Gramm. and Comp. (2007) 0-07-829815-6	Glencoe	\$55.95
8 th Gr.	Glencoe Writer's Choice Gramm. and Comp. (2007) 0-07-829816-4	Glencoe	\$55.95

Switzerland County High School Lang. Arts

9th Grade

<u>English /Literature</u>	<u>Proposed Text</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Price</u>
Collg. Prep / Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lang., Third Crs. (2009) 978-0-03-094195-5	Holt	\$63.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Holt Trad. /Warriner's Handbk. 9780030990021	Holt	\$25.95
Collg. Prep Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lit., Third Crs. (2009) 978-0-03-099618-4	Holt	\$76.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Lit., Purple Lev. 0-130-23562-8	Globe Fearon	\$59.99

10th Grade

Collg. Prep/Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lang., Fourth Crs. (2009) 978-0-03-094196-2	Holt	\$63.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Holt Trad./Warriner's Handbk. 9780030990038	Holt	\$25.95
Collg. Prep/Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lit., Fourth Course (2009) 978-0-03-099619-1	Holt	\$76.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Literature, Green Level 0-130-23568-7	Globe Fearon	\$59.99

11th Grade

Collg. Prep/Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lang., Fifth Course (2009) 978-0-03-094197-9	Holt	\$64.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Holt Trad./Warriner's Handbk. 9780030990045	Holt	\$25.95
Collg. Prep/Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lit., Fifth Course (2009) 978-0-03-099620-7	Holt	\$77.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Lit., Silver Level 0-130-235678-4	Globe Fearon	\$59.99

12th Grade

Collg. Prep/Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lang., Sixth Course (2009) 978-0-03-094198-6	Holt	\$64.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Holt Trad. /Warriner's Handbk. 9780030990052	Holt	\$25.95
Collg. Prep/Gen. Lev.	Elem. of Lit., Sixth Course (2009) 978-0-03-099621-4	Holt	\$77.95
Comp. (Local Adoption)	Literature, Gold Level 0-130-23585-7	Globe Fearon	\$59.99

Speech (Local Adoption)

Speech	How to Design and Deliver Speeches 0-205-37801-3	Prentice Hall	\$79.20
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ETYMOLOGY (Local Adoption)

Etymology	English Words from Latin and Greek Elem. 9780816508990	Univ/Ariz.Press	\$13.95
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JOURNALISM (Local Adoption)

Journalism	High School Journalism 9780786430604	McFarland	\$35.00
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FRENCH

French/Level 1	Bien dit! Level 1 (2008) 9780030941436	Holt	\$64.05
French/Level 2	Bien dit! Level 2 (2008) 9780030941511	Holt	\$65.40
French/Level 3	Bien dit! Level 3 (2008) 9780030941597	Holt	\$66.00

Supplemental Materials:

Classroom Set	French or Foe (Polly Platt) 9780964668423	Cult. Crossing Lim.	\$16.50
Classroom Set	Savoir Flair! (Polly Platt) 9780964668430	Cult. Crossing Lim.	\$16.50
Magazine (Cultural Reading)	Allons-y Level 1 09576215	Scholastic	\$7.95/yr.
Magazine (Cultural Reading)	Bonjour Level 2 00067121	Scholastic	\$7.95/yr.
Magazine (Cultural Reading)	Ca va? Level 3 00079243	Scholastic	\$7.95/yr.
Magazine (Cultural Reading)	Chez Nous Level 4 00093424	Scholastic	\$7.95/yr.

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Expresate Levels 1-3:	Student Edition, Level 1 (2008) 9780030996627	Holt	\$64.30
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Student Edition, Level 2 (2008) 9780030996634	Holt	\$65.95
Student Edition, Level 3 (2008) 9780030996641	Holt	\$66.25
Imagina (Local Adoption) 1593349386	Vista	\$76.00

Supplemental Materials:

Magazine (Cultural Reading) Que' Tal? 00335940	Level 1	Scholastic	\$7.95/yr.
Magazine (Cultural Reading) Ahora 09618481	Level 2	Scholastic	\$7.95/yr.
Magazine (Cultural Reading) El Sol 00380849	Level 3	Scholastic	\$7.95/yr.

Mr. Waltz moved to approve the 2008 Summer School Program as submitted. Mr. Cole seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. There will be HS English and HS Math from June 2 through June 27, 2008. Positions have been posted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

PERSONNEL:

The board recognized Cynthia Griffith for her years of service to the school corporation. Vice President Jim Phipps presented Mrs. Griffith with a brass bell inscribed with her name.

The board unanimously approved Wilma Swango's FMLA request in a motion by Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Roberts.

Mr. Roberts made a motion to approve the hiring of 4 bus drivers for the 2008-2009 school year. Mr. McKay seconded the motion. The board's vote was unanimous. The new bus drivers will be Bobby Owings, Donna Quick, Kevin Kelly and Larry Stewart.

The board unanimously approved the release of Sally Leann Repper from her current contract as a result of a reduction in work force in a motion by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Waltz. Mr. Gullion mentioned that if situations changed and something to open up in her area, she would be kept on a call list for two years.

PROFESSIONAL LEAVE / FIELD TRIPS:

The board unanimously approved two professional leaves and three field trip requests in a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Waltz. They are as follows:

- Denise Loaring – Paul Munger Conf. at IU, Bloomington, June 16-19

- Greg Curlin – State Ag. Teacher’s Workshop at Purdue, June 8-10
- Greg Curlin – Washington Leadership Conf. in D.C., July 21-27
- Greg Curlin – State Leadership Contests at Purdue, June 15-19
- Greg Curlin – Leadership Training for Chapter Program Activities at Holiday World, June 4-5

USE OF FACILITIES: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS: (SUPERINTENDENT)

Superintendent Gullion announced that the next regular school board meeting would be held on June 16th and the next Endowment Meeting would be on May 27th.

BOARD REPORT AND COMMENTS:

Mr. Cole said he would like to congratulate Cynthia Griffith on her retirement. He said that she had once been his teacher and that he appreciated her dedication to the school corporation and that she deserved this time.

Mr. Waltz congratulated Mrs. Griffith. He also wanted to mention that rifting was always a hard thing to do. He said it was no fun, either sitting where he was or on the other side, but that sometimes it had to be done, as was the case now.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Roberts moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cole seconded and the vote was unanimous. The meeting was so adjourned.

Andy Truitt, President

James Phipps, Vice President

William Roberts, Secretary

Duane Cole, Member

Wayne Daugherty, Member

Virgil McKay, Member

Vernon Waltz, Member