

SWITZERLAND COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
MINUTES OF THE May 24, 2010
EXECUTIVE SESSION BOARD MEETING
4:00 P.M.
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
5:29 P.M.

The School Board of Trustees met before the regular public meeting for an Executive Session beginning at 4:00 at the Switzerland County Middle School Library to discuss I.C.5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9).

The board members present were Mr. Phipps, Mr. Daugherty, Mr. Roberts, Mr. McKay, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Truitt and Mr. Waltz. Dr. Elizabeth T. Jones, Superintendent; School Board Attorney, Ron Hocker; and Matt Hocker were also in attendance.

The board discussed no subject matter in the Executive Session other than the subject matter specified in the public notice.

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. Daugherty, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Mckay, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Truitt and Mr. Waltz.

Others in attendance were Dr. Elizabeth T. Jones, Wilma Swango, Mona Crabtree, Ronald Hocker, Matt Hocker, Melissa Reynolds, Lowell Reynolds, Jill Cord, Tony Spoores, John Druba, Dan Noel, and Greg Curlin.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Mrs. Moore made a motion to approve the agenda as amended to include item J5 under personnel. Mr. Waltz seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the school board meeting of May 3, 2010. Mr. Truitt made the motion to approve the minutes. Mrs. Moore seconded.

CLAIMS:

Vendor Claims #39510 through #39556 and Payroll Claims for 2/19/2010 were presented for approval in a motion by Mr. Daugherty and seconded by Mr. McKay. Mrs. Swango pointed out the claim #39535 to the Adventurous Child for the playground equipment at Switzerland County Elementary. She said the corporation paid 50% of the cost up front and this was the second payment, less \$1000, which will be held until the corporation is comfortable with everything. The board voted unanimously to approve the claims as submitted.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Waltz moved to approve a Declaration of Need for a 2010 Bus Replacement Plan Amendment. Mr. Truitt seconded. Mrs. Swango explained that the need for the amendment is a result of the bus accident which occurred in September. She said an additional appropriation of \$90,000 is needed for a new bus. The board's vote to approve the need for the amendment was unanimous.

Mr. Phipps interrupted the regular meeting to hold a Bus Replacement Plan Amendment Hearing. There being no comments, Mr. Phipps closed the hearing and the regular meeting resumed.

Mr. Roberts moved to approve the Resolution to Amend the 2010 Bus Replacement Plan as presented. Mr. Waltz seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE YEAR 2010 BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN

This resolution is adopted by the Board of Trustees of Switzerland Co. School Corporation of Switzerland County, Indiana.

WHEREAS, A School Bus Replacement Plan has been established; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is required under IC 20-46-5-6 to adopt a plan with respect to a School Bus Replacement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees held a public hearing on the plan on the 24th day of May, 2010 at the Switzerland County Middle School.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees that the plan Entitled "Amended School Bus Replacement Plan" for the years 2010 through 2021, is hereby incorporated by reference into this resolution, and is adopted as the Board of Trustees' Plan with respect to the School Bus Replacement Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees shall submit a certified copy of this resolution (including the adopted plan and the Calculation Worksheet) to the Department of Local Government Finance as required by IC 20-46-5-6 (c) for approval.

Mr. McKay moved to approve a USDA RUS Distance Learning Telemedicine (DLT) Grant as presented. Mrs. Moore seconded. The grant is based on student population and

what has been purchased for them in the past. The grant, is equivalent to \$46,000, but will be received in the form of equipment for Switzerland County Elementary School, instead of actual dollars. The board's vote to approve the grant was unanimous.

The board unanimously approved a contract with Asset Control Solutions (ACS) for providing fixed assets inventory services in a motion by Mrs. Moore, seconded by Mr. Truitt. The company will perform the initial inventory for \$3,400 and will perform updates every two years. Mrs. Swango said the company would look at everything valued over \$500 and anything considered highly mobile will be tagged. She also said the company will go to the State Board of Accounts with the corporation if any issues need to be addressed.

Endowment Requests were presented to the board for discussion. They will be voted on at the next regular board meeting. They are as follows:

- HS/MS: swimming timing devise : \$17,890
- MS: sports uniforms: \$9,418.50.
- MS: wrestling equipment / wireless scoreboard: \$9,733

Mr. Truitt moved to approve donations from the Switzerland County Elementary School PTA. Mr. Daugherty seconded. The vote to approve the following donations, totaling \$10,880, was unanimous: \$6,495 for ColorPro Poster System and \$4,385 for four Kindergarten swings. The board members expressed their sincere gratitude and praised the PTA for their fund raising efforts for the school.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Daugherty moved to approve several ECA resignations. Mr. Truitt seconded the motion, and the board's vote was unanimous. They are as follows:

- Virginia Reeves: National Honor Society Sponsor
- David Todd: Senior Class Sponsor
- Ann Roller: Sophomore Class Sponsor & Science Dept. Head
- Rosalind Harrell: HS Newspaper Advisor
- Valerie Smith: Freshman Class Sponsor

The board unanimously approved three ECA positions in a motion by Mrs. Moore and seconded by Mr. Waltz. They are as follows:

- Valerie Smith: Sophomore Class Sponsor
- Erin Gerth: Student Council Sponsor
- Pam Jones: National Honor Society Sponsor

A motion was made by Mrs. Moore, seconded by Mr. Truitt, to employ Dan Barton as a third shift custodian. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daugherty, Moore, Phipps, Truitt, McKay, and Waltz. Mr. Roberts abstained from the vote.

Mr. Truitt moved to approve the Summer School contract of Tammy Beitzel to teach Summer Band. Mrs. Moore seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Mrs. Beitzel's contract is based on fifteen, six-hour days.

Mr. McKay made a motion to approve the employment of James Hess as a Math teacher at the High School. Mrs. Moore seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: AYES: Phipps, McKay, Moore, Roberts, Waltz. NAYS: Truitt, Daugherty

PROFESSIONAL LEAVE / FIELD TRIPS:

The board unanimously approved a Professional Leave request from Mr. Curlin to attend a State Agriculture teacher Workshop Conference at Purdue, June 8 & 9, 2010 in a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Truitt.

Three Field Trip requests were unanimously approved in a motion by Mr. Truitt, seconded by Mr. Waltz. They are as follows:

- State FFA Competitions at Purdue, June 13-16 by Greg Curlin
- FFA/Ag students to Alaska, July 29-Aug. 11 for National Resource Habitat Program which students get Internship credit, by Greg Curlin
- FFA to Washington, D.C., July 5-11 by Greg Curlin

Mr. Waltz moved to approve a Field Trip to Washington, D.C., April 14-18, 2011 made by Eighth Grade Sponsors, Paul Hewitt and Sheila Gault. Mrs. Moore seconded the motion. The 8th Grade trip was unanimously approved by the board.

USE OF FACILITIES:

Two Use of Facilities applications were unanimously approved by the board in a motion by Mrs. Moore, seconded by Mr. Truitt. They are as follows:

- H.S. Café.: Joy Briggs for Class of '53 Reunion, 3:00p.m. to 7:00p.m., on September 18, 2010
- H.S. Café.: Joy Briggs for Alumni Luncheon Meeting, Aug. 28, 2010, 10a.m.-4p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS: (SUPERINTENDENT)

Superintendent Jones announced that the next regular board meeting would be held on June 21, 2010. Dr. Jones also announced that the next Endowment meeting would be held on Wednesday, June 2, 2010.

Dr. Jones said she wanted to announce several award recipients. She said Switzerland County's FFA Chapter has once again been chosen as one of the top ten in the state. She said Denny Jackson has been named the Regional American Legion Secondary Educator of the Year and Becky Bunner has been named the Regional American Legion Elementary Educator of the year. Dr. Jones said Bonnie Fancher's Indian Creek

Watershed Project has won the Governor’s Environmental Excellence Award in Education. She said she was very proud of all these award recipients.

BOARD REPORT AND COMMENTS:

Mr. Waltz said we have got a lot of good things going on. He said he felt proud that we had that many award winners at one time.

Mrs. Moore said she wanted to send out a big thank you for everything those award winners are doing. She also said she wanted to thank Mr. Todd and Mr. Spoores for all of their work concerning the Wrestling program.

Principal, Dan Noel, said he would like to remind the board that Graduation is on Sunday, June 6th, and that the girls Softball Sectional begins at 5:00 on Thursday.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Roberts moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Truitt seconded and the vote was unanimous. The meeting was so adjourned. (6:27 p.m.)

James Phipps, President

Wayne Daugherty, Vice President

William Roberts, Secretary

Virgil Mckay, Member

Tonya Moore, Member

Andy Truitt, Member

Vernon Waltz, Member