

SWITZERLAND COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 27, 2012
EXECUTIVE SESSION BOARD MEETING 4:00 P.M.
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 5:00 P.M.

The School Board of Trustees met before the regular public meeting for an Executive Session beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Switzerland County Administration Office to discuss a job performance evaluation of an individual employee.

The Board members present were Mr. Phipps, Mr. Daugherty, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Peters, Mr. Truitt and Mr. Waltz. Michael L Jones, Superintendent and Matthew Hocker were also in attendance. Mr. Roberts was unable to attend.

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

Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Executive Session meeting was adjourned.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Mr. Phipps called the regular meeting to order and led those in attendance in the pledge to the flag.

Mr. Daugherty called for a moment of silence to recognize the passing of retired employee, Mr. Timothy Montgomery and current employee, Mr. Michael McClure.

ATTENDANCE:

Board members in attendance were Mr. Phipps, Mr. Daugherty, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Peters, Mr. Truitt and Mr. Waltz. Mr. Roberts was unable to attend the meeting.

Others in attendance were Michael L. Jones, Wilma Swango, Mona Crabtree, Matthew Hocker, John Sieglitz, Rhonda Pennington, Sally Weales, Kathryn Williams, Gregg Goewert, LeeJaye Lohide, Mark Lohide, Colleen Lay, Sean McGarvey, and Tony Spoores.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Mr. Waltz made a motion to approve an amended agenda with the addition of the recommendation to grant permission to advertise the budget, the approval of the reduction of appropriations for the 2012 General Fund, and the approval of a recommendation for employment. Mr. Truitt seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 30, 2012 in a motion by Mr. Truitt, seconded by Mrs. Peters.

CLAIMS:

Vendor Claims #43421; #43470 through #43475; and #43476 through #43515 were presented for approval by the Board. Mr. Daugherty made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Mr. Truitt seconded. Mrs. Moore questioned claim #43478 to M. Browning for \$40 for business cards. Corporation Treasurer, Mrs. Swango, said this was reimbursement to Mr. Browning for having business cards printed to give to vendors. Mr. Phipps recommended that in the future, Corporation personnel print their own. Mr. Truitt asked about claim #43493 to K & J Auto for \$2,886.85. Mrs. Swango said this was for service of vehicles from June 27 through August 10. The Board's vote to approve the claims as submitted was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board unanimously approved the Emergency Preparedness Plans for Jefferson-Craig Elementary School, Switzerland County Elementary School, Switzerland County Middle School, and Switzerland County High School in a motion made by Mrs. Moore and seconded by Mr. Truitt.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board approved the acceptance of funds from several grants in a motion by Mr. Daugherty, seconded by Mrs. Peters. They are as follows:

- \$4,190.55 – Vevay-Switzerland County Foundation for A. Cole's Gr. 7, Language Arts Project Based Learning Initiative
- \$3,821.50 – Vevay-Switzerland County Foundation for Seaver/Thayer's BPA, Personal Finance and School Grounds
- \$1,000 – Vevay-Switzerland County Foundation for Crawford's Literacy & Math Family Fun Night
- \$1,000 – Community Foundation for T. Griffith's Outdoor Classroom (PBL) from Lyons
- \$1,000 – Community Foundation for T. Griffith's Outdoor Classroom (PBL) from Lewis.

Mrs. Swango mentioned that Mr. Lewis from the Community Foundation would be at Switzerland County Elementary School on Friday at 8:15 for a presentation to the school for the Outdoor Classroom project. She said the Board members were invited to come, as well as representatives of the Purdue Extension Office and Soil & Water District.

Mrs. Swango presented the Board with a 2012 cash flow forecast. She compared the 2012 Budget with what the 2013 Budget is expected to be. Mrs. Swango said something

to note is that the Corporation’s tax levy for the Debt Service Fund is advertised at .15, but it is actually paid by the Endowment Corporation. The Endowment letter will be sent to the Department of Education and it is expected that they will accept it as revenue and reduce the tax rate to 0. Mrs. Swango said 2013 will be a very tight year. She said the Education Jobs Funding Grant came to an end so we will not be receiving monies for that. The School Bus Replacement Plan for 2013-2024 was presented to the Board, as well as Capital Projects Plans for each building for 2013, 2014 and 2015 and projections for the expected 2013 General Fund Budget from the Department of Education. The estimated 2013 tax rates for each fund are as follows:

<u>Fund:</u>	<u>Rate:</u>	<u>Levy:</u>	<u>2013 Budget:</u>	<u>2012 Approved:</u>
General Fund	0%	0	11,000,000	10,496,249
Debt Service	.15	640,500	543,007	538,176
Capital Projects	.42	1,793,400	2,500,000	2,320,235
Transportation	.27	1,152,900	1,400,000	1,387,735
Bus Replacement	.05	213,500	200,000	121,000
Totals:	.89	3,800,300	15,643,007	15,823,395

Mr. Waltz made a motion to approve granting permission to Mrs. Swango to advertise the 2013 Budget, Capital Projects and Bus Replacement Plans as submitted. Mr. Truitt seconded the motion and the Board’s vote was unanimous.

The Board unanimously approved a Resolution Concerning the Reduction of Appropriations for the 2012 General Fund in a motion by Mrs. Moore and seconded by Mr. Truitt. Existing appropriations now have unobligated balances which will not be needed for the purpose for which they were appropriated and it is advantageous to the Corporation to reduce the appropriations in the General Fund for the last six months of 2012 by \$573,706.00 as follows:

- 11000 Regular Programs.....\$ 300,000
- 12000 Special Programs.....\$ 73,706
- 22000 Support Services-Instruction.....\$ 25,000
- 24000 Support Services-School Administration.....\$ 75,000
- 26000 Support Services-Operation & Maintenance..\$ 100,000

The total appropriation for the 2012 General Fund is now reduced from \$10,496,249 to \$9,922,543.

The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Tonya Moore to serve on the Non-Certified Handbook Committee in a motion by Mr. Waltz, seconded by Mr. Truitt.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Waltz moved to approve the employment of LeeJaye Lohide for the Attendance Secretary position at Switzerland County Elementary School, to be vacated on September 7, 2012. Mr. Truitt seconded the motion and the Board's vote was unanimous.

The Board unanimously approved the employment of Doug McNeely to serve as a Corporation Bus Driver in a motion by Mr. Daugherty, seconded by Mr. Waltz.

PROFESSIONAL LEAVE / FIELD TRIPS:

Mr. Daugherty moved to approve two Professional Leaves. Mr. Truitt seconded and the Board's vote was unanimous. They are as follows:

- K. Stout, D. Cole, M. Devers, S. Gault to Terre Haute for ECA Seminar, 9/12-9/13
- Superintendent, Board Members to Indianapolis for ISBA fall Conference, 9/21-25, 2012

The Board unanimously approved the following Field Trips in a motion by Mr. Waltz, seconded by Mrs. Moore:

- Woolston/Curlin – FFA to World Food Prize Youth Institute @ Purdue Univ., 9/13-14, 2012
- Woolston/Curlin – Animal Science Class to Skill-A-Thon @ Purdue Univ., 9/21-22, 2012

USE OF FACILITIES:

The Board voted unanimously to approve two Use of Facilities requests in a motion by Mr. Truitt, seconded by Mr. Waltz as follows:

- SCHS Café: L. Jones for Gideon's Dinner, Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012, 4:30-9:00pm
- SCHS Café: R. Lohide for Farm Bureau Annual Meeting, Tues, Oct. 9, 2012, 5:00-9:00pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS: (SUPERINTENDENT)

Superintendent, Michael L. Jones made the following announcements:

- Next Endowment Meeting: Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at 5:00pm
- Next Regular Board Meeting: September 17, 2012 at 5:00pm
- Public Hearings for Budget, CPF, and Bus Replacement Plans: 10/1/12
- Adoption of Budget: Regular Meeting of October 15, 2012 (Quorum Needed)
- Contacted Vevay Alumni about Old Administration Building and suggested they set up a committee to come speak to the Board

BOARD REPORT AND COMMENTS:

Mrs. Moore said she felt the pink, green and blue hair colorings of the students distracting to their classmates and will not allow her daughter to dye her hair or to wear short shorts like she has seen some of the girls wearing.

Mrs. Peters said the Non-Certified Committee has had one meeting so far.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Truitt moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Waltz seconded and the vote was unanimous. The meeting was so adjourned. (6:40 p.m.)

James Phipps, President

Wayne Daugherty, Member

Unable to Attend

William Roberts, Vice President

Nancy Peters, Member

Tonya Moore, Secretary

Andy Truitt, Member

Vernon Waltz, Member