

**SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES  
AUGUST 08, 2017**

Members of the Board of School Trustees met in executive session at 6:30 p.m. on this date at the Central Office pursuant to Indiana's Open Meetings Law for the purpose of: to receive information about and interview prospective employees and for discussion of strategy with respect to collective bargaining. No topics were discussed other than those listed on the public meeting notice. All members were present.

President Juergens called the Regular Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All members were present.

Board members and members of the public stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Mr. Hooker made a recommendation to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Silver motioned to approve and Mrs. Franke seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

Mrs. Franke moved and Mr. Joray seconded a motion approving the consent agenda which included the minutes of the July 18, 2017 regular meeting and July 27, 2017 special meeting, monthly reconciliation summary, claims & payroll, fund report, monthly appropriation report, student enrollment report, personnel recommendations, and professional leave requests.

Motion carried; 7-0.

**Resignations**

Beatriz Goes	ESL Instructional Assistant	Jackson	July 04, 2017
Kristen Koerner	Special Ed Instructional Asst-PreK	Jackson	July 31, 2017
Terri Allman	PT Evening Custodian	Cortland	August 01, 2017
Lisa Freeman	ECA Homework Help	SMS	August 03, 2017
Casey Kirts	Maintenance Technician	Corporation	August 18, 2017

**Appointments**

Aaron Floyd	Assistant Principal	Redding	August 07, 2017
Brandon Roberts	Assistant Principal	Jackson	August 14, 2017
Natalie Smith	Elementary Teacher - Science	6GC	August 07, 2017
Teresa Sprunger	Part-time Evening Custodian	Brown	August 07, 2017
Jose Barradas	ESL Instructional Assistant	Redding	August 07, 2017
Elizabeth Davis	Special Ed Instructional Asst.-SOAR	Emerson	August 09, 2017
Diana Vance	Special Ed Instructional Asst.- PreK	Jackson	August 09, 2017
Robin Scales	Special Ed Instructional Assistant	SMS	August 09, 2017
Lillian Johnson	Special Ed Instructional Assistant	SMS	August 09, 2017
Heather Furkin	Special Ed Instructional Assistant	SMS	August 09, 2017
Ann Fields	Special Ed Instructional Assistant	SHS	August 09, 2017
Ronda Combs	Special Ed Instructional Assistant	SHS	August 09, 2017
Erin Moore	Title 1 Instructional Assistant	Redding	August 09, 2017
Renee Hodge	Title 1 Tutor	St. Ambrose	August 09, 2017
Stephanie Hughel	Instructional Assistant	Cortland	August 10, 2 017
Ann Tormoehlen	Math Bowl Coach	Emerson	2017-2018 SY
Kara Thompson	Spell Bowl Coach	Emerson	2017-2018 SY

**Contracted Services**

Teresa Thompson	Temporary Dean of Students	SHS	August 4, 2017
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**Permission to Post, Transfer, and Hire Prior to September 12, 2017**

## **COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS**

### **SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Mr. Hooker said Mrs. Ferguson would report on the fair booth in September.

Mr. Brown reported that 600 students were served at Rock N Ready this year. Mrs. Tonja Couch from United Way added 1/3 of the 300 program volunteers were from Seymour Community Schools.

Mrs. Tonja Couch thanked Mr. Hooker for the kick off of the 2017 Campaign at the back to school staff meeting on August 7. She thanked Mr. Juergens as well for his kind words of support for the United Way. She highlighted some of the programs that United Way provides including Tax Prep and Day of Caring, and Rock N Ready. The funds raised from the United Way campaign benefit twenty organizations around Jackson County. Mrs. Couch thanked the Board for their time and service to the community.

Mr. Juergens said he is very proud of the Seymour teachers and staff for their contributions.

Mr. Stark gave a facilities and grounds summer project update. He thanked the custodial and maintenance staff for their efforts over the summer.

Mr. Stark said he received the certificate of occupancy today for the Ag-Science Center. He made a recommendation to pay \$212,595.87 to AML, Inc. for work completed through July 12, 2017 and deposit \$11,189.26 to the Retainage Escrow Account. Mr. Klosterman motioned to waive first read and Mr. Browning seconded. Motion carried; 7-0. Mrs. Franke motioned to approve Mr. Stark's recommendation and Mr. Kelley seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Mr. Brown introduced the new Jackson Assistant Principal, Mr. Brandon Roberts.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Mr. Juergens said the four newly renovated SHS tennis courts are looking nice. He really likes the purple and white colors.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

Mrs. Hernandez, on behalf of Mr. Hack, made a recommendation to accept a \$500 dollar donation to the Brown Elementary Music program. Mrs. Debbie Carpenter would like to donate in honor of her deceased son, Staff Sergeant Douglas Carpenter. Douglas served our country for seven years in the Marine Corps and took part in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He was a member of the Brown Elementary family as a student and a 2000 graduate of Seymour High School. Douglas was a member of the Indianapolis Children's Choir and found his love for music and singing during his time at Brown Elementary. Mrs. Franke motioned to approve the donation and Mr. Klosterman seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

Mr. Nauman made a recommendation to renew the corporation liability insurance. It decreased \$27,136.00 from the previous year. Mr. Silver motioned to approve and Mr. Browning seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

Mr. Prange made a recommendation to continue the Grad Point program at Seymour High School and the learning center for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Silver moved and Mr. Klosterman seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

Mr. Prange made a recommendation to accept a donation of twenty tennis benches from the City of Seymour to Seymour High School. Mr. Joray motioned to accept the donation and Mr. Silver seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS - FIRST READ ITEMS**

The school improvement plans were presented. Mrs. Ferguson will return for approval at the next board meeting.

### **2018 SCHOOL BUDGET REVIEW**

Mr. Nauman discussed the 2018 budget. The Budget Hearing will take place on Tuesday, September 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. The Budget Adoption is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10 at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Nauman requested permission to advertise for the two meetings. Mr. Stu motioned to approve and Mr. Joray seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

Mr. Nauman made a recommendation to sell general obligation bond for a 2 million dollar project at Seymour High School and Redding Elementary School playground. This will allow the school corporation to keep the tax rate stable. The project will be paid off in 2019. Mr. Browning motioned to proceed with the bond sale and Mr. Silver seconded. Motion carried; 7-0.

**IMPORTANT EVENTS**

- First Day of School for Students – Wednesday, August 09, 2017
- Labor Day – No School on Monday, September 4, 2017
- Regular School Board Meeting – Tuesday, September 12, 2017
- **Special School Board Meeting – 2017 School Budget Hearing on Thursday, September 28 , 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.**
- Oktoberfest – No School on Friday, October 6, 2017
- School Board Meeting - 2018 School Budget Adoption on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.
- End of First Nine Weeks Grading Period – Wednesday, October 18, 2017
- Fall Break – No School on Thursday, October 19, 2017 and Friday, October 20, 2017
- School Board Meeting – Tuesday, November 14, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Thanksgiving Break – No School on November 22-23-24, 2017
- School Board Meeting - Tuesday, December 19, 2017
- Christmas Break Begins – Wednesday, December 20, 2017

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Silver moved and Mr. Joray seconded a motion to adjourn. As there was no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

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