

March 12, 2024

The South Central Community School Corporation Of Trustees Met Tuesday, March 12, 2024 At 5 p.m. In The Library For A Regular Board Meeting. The Following Members Were Present: Deborah Allen, Geraldine Grott, Sherry Shei, Brian Lautenbach, And Jake Wade. Others Who Attended Were Mr. Ben Anderson, Superintendent, Jarad Miller, Jr/Sr High School Principal, Nick Kimmel, Elementary Principal, Andrew Schoff, Business Manager/Corporation Treasurer, And Jennifer Marlow, Administrative Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting Was Called To Order At 5 p.m. By The Board President, Deb Allen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Deb Allen, School Board President, Led The Pledge Of Allegiance.

PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS

There were no public expressions.

Buzz Schoff, Business Manager/Treasurer, Form 9 Financial Report, Financial Software Agreement, Jr/Sr High Voided Checks

Mr. Schoff Reviewed And Requested Acceptance For The Form 9 Financial Report, Financial Software Agreement, and Jr/Sr High Voided Check Numbers.

Jake Wade Motioned To Approve The Form 9 Financial Report, Sherry Shei Seconded The Motion, And Motion Carried 5-0.

Gerri Grott Motioned To Approve Acceptance For The Updated Financial Software Agreement, Jake Wade Seconded The Motion, And Motion Carried 5-0.

Brian Lautenbach Motioned To Approve The Voided Check Numbers For Jr/Sr High, Sherry Shei Seconded The Motion, And Motion Carried 5-0.

Food Service Stipend

Karen Hagenow, Food Service Director, Requested Approval for A Food Service Staff Stipend. Sherry Shei Motioned to Approve the Stipend, Jake Wade Seconded The Motion, Motion Carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda:

- a) **Approval for February 13, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**
 - b) **Personnel Recommendations:**
 - *Mr. Nick Kimmel, Elementary School Principal, Is Requesting Approval For The Resignation of Donna Hale, Elementary Music Teacher, Effective February 15, 2024.*
- Professional Leave Requests:**

- *Andrea Spiess, 2/15/2024, Webinar- Shifting Balance Bringing S.O.R. into the Upper Elementary Classroom, South Central Community School, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Amber Bos, 02/20/2024, Webinar- Shifting The Balance S.O.R. For Intermediate Grades, South Central Community Schools, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Buzz Schoff, 02/21-02/22/2024, IASBO Budget Workshop, Embassy Suites, Plainfield, IN.*
 - *Brianna Perez, 02/22/2024, SOR 101 & 201, Hobart High School, Hobart, IN.*
 - *Lindzy Curtis, 03/07/2024, Early Literacy Standards, Hanover Central School, Cedar Lake, IN.*
 - *Chris Walter, 03/07/2024, Math Bowl Host Prep, South Central Community School, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Mckenzie Salary, Amber Bos, Emily Mohlke, 3/8/2024, Curriculum Mapping for New ILEARN, South Central Community Schools, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Lisa Rosebaum, Kellee Cummings, 03/08/2024, Virtual-IASP Secretaries Conference, South Central Community Schools, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Liz Zbuka, Heather McGuire, Meghan Cassady, 03/12/2024, UDL Training, South Central Community School, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Alyssa Mulligan, Esaleigh Hauptli, Katie Hendricks, 03/18/2024, Curriculum Mapping To Align With ILEARN, South Central Community Schools, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Chris Walter, Amy Morrison, Angie Bruner, 03/19/2024, Curriculum Mapping To Align With ILEARN, South Central Community School, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Melissa Santana, 03/17-03/19/2024, IIAAA Conference, Indianapolis Marriott East, Indianapolis, IN.*
 - *Leah Goetz, Greg Mohlke, Deanna Welsh, 03/21/2024, Curriculum Mapping-5th Grade, South Central Community School, Union Mills, IN.*
 - *Jennifer Marlow, Emily Homann, 04/16/2024, Transportation/HR Seminar, Primo Banquet, Indianapolis, IN.*
 - *Liz Zbuka, Andrea Spiess, Jackie Snyder, Holli Divich, Angie Bruner, 05/16/2024, Scientifically Base Literacy Blocks, Hobart High School, Hobart, IN.*
 - *Heather McGuire, Tina Coburn, Jen Kohler, Chris Walter, Scientifically Based Literacy Blocks, NIESC Office, Mishawaka, IN.*
- c) **ECA Resignations and Assignments:**
- *Approval For Brett Davis, Chad Winger, Steve Forker, Mike Wirtes- Volunteer JH Football Coaches*
 - *Approval For Dave Allen- Volunteer JH/Varsity Football Coach*
 - *Approval For Nick Leuck-Volunteer Boys Volleyball Coach*
 - *Approval For Jimmy Carr-Volunteer 6th Grade Girls Basketball*
 - *Approval For Alex Weitzer-Volunteer Varsity Baseball Coach*
 - *Approval For Russell Harrison-Volunteer JV Baseball Coach*
 - *Approval For Matty Bush- Boys Head Golf Coach*
 - *Approval For Katie Hendricks-Boys Junior High Track Coach*

- *Approval For Steve Forker-Asst. Boys Football Coach*
- *Approval For Esaleigh Hauptli- Girls Junior High Track Coach*
- *Approval For Ben Anderson-Resignation As Head Girls Varsity Basketball Coach*
- *Approval For Scotty Marks-Resignation As Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball Coach*
- *Approval For Chuck Wilhelm- Resignation As Head Boys Golf Coach*
- *Approval For Lisa Cauley- Resignation As Jr/ Sr High Choir Director Effective End Of 2023-2024 School Year*

a) **Claims:** *Approval of Presented Claims. (See Attached)*

Jake Wade Motioned To Accept Consent Agenda, Deb Allen Seconded The Motion, Motion Carried 5-0.

Donations:

To: Student Senate -\$100.00

From: The Bunce Family

To: Boys Volleyball- \$500.00

From: Modern Woodmen of America

To: Football - \$15.00

From: Michele Bryant - In Memory of Mark Steuer

To: Prom- \$500.00

From: L & J Auto Care

To: Comfort Closet -\$151.51

From: Bethyl Presbyterian Church

To: South Central Elementary-\$151.51

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To: Boys Volleyball-\$1,200.00

From: Dunes Volleyball Club

Gerri Grott Motioned To Approve Donations, Jake Wade Seconded The Motion, And It Carried 5-0.

Administrative Report/Action Items:

Principal's Report-

Elementary News:

Wyatt Bugg (6th Grade) Will Compete In The Regional Spelling Bee This Thursday At Tri Township

Riley Hospital For Children Fundraiser—\$10,000 Goal
3rd Quarter Celebration (Bounce Houses) On 3/28
6th Grade Career Fair (3/26 And 3/28)
NHS Easter Egg Hunt (3/28) For Prek, Kindergarten, And 1st Grade
South Central Will Host The Math Bowl On April 9th (14 Teams Will Be Competing)

Elementary STEM School Visit on Monday, March 25th:

Panel Discussion / Presentation

Classroom Visits

Questions / Answers

Elementary Updating curriculum maps to align with new state standards and the new ILEARN test which we are piloting next school year

MTSS Process Expanding To K-6 Next Year+

IREAD-3 Update

Elementary Staffing/Personnel:

Elementary Music Position (Thank You To Donna Hidalgo For Her Time At South Central)

Jr / Sr High News:

1. SAT Test Day

a. Juniors Completed The Sat Test On Tuesday, March 5th. This Is A Graduation Accountability Test And Students Can Fulfill Box Three Of Their Graduation Requirements By Meeting A Certain Cut Score. Thank You To Mr. Mills For His Hard Work Of Arranging The Test.

2. High School Incentive Day

a. Like We've Done In Years Past, We Are Introducing Our High School Incentive For The 4th Quarter. Students Will Need To Meet Specific Criteria For Attendance, Behavior, And Academics To Qualify For The Reward. Students Will Be Rewarded With A Trip To The Movies At Portage Emagine Theaters!

3. MTSS Update

a. We Are Continuing Our MTSS Implementation For Junior High. Right Now, We Have Created Systems To Increase Student Opportunity To Receive Enrichment And Remediation In Math And ELA Every Day Of The Week. We Look Forward To Continuing To Find Creative Ways To Help Students Grow In These Areas And Formalize Our Process For Next Year. Thank You To Marcee Wilburn And Indiana State For Their Help, Support, And Guidance!

4. 8th Grade Parent Night / Freshman Orientation

a. The High School Scheduling Process Has Started For 8th Grade Students And They Were Told About The Basics Of The Graduation Pathway Requirements Along With Other Information On Requirements For The Different Diploma Options. This Will Be An Ongoing Process Over The Next Couple Weeks, Culminating In Our 8th Grade Parent Night / Freshman Orientation On March 19th. Always Fun For Our Incoming Freshman Class To Learn About The Basics Of High School!

5. ILT Team- School Goals

a. This Year We Started A "De Facto" Department Head Meeting Called Out Instructional Leadership Team (ILT). We've Discussed Different Items Over The Course Of The Year In Regards To The Best Interest Of SC Jr-Sr High School. Something We Will Be Working On For The Next Few Months Are Defining Specific Junior High And High School Goals That Are Measurable We Can "Hang Our Hat On" For The Next School Year. My Goal Would Be To Always Include The Staples Including Graduation And Attendance.

6. Extra-Curriculars

a. Band Concert On May 13th At 7:00pm In The South Gym.

b. Drama Club Presents "Little Women". Shows Will Be On March 22nd, 23rd, And 24th!

7. Athletics

a. Boys Basketball Wrapped Up Their Season A Few Weeks Ago, Losing A Close Game To Hebron. Thanks To Coach Matty Bush And His Staff And To The Players On A Tremendous Season.

b. All Spring Sports Are Officially In Action At This Time!

Out of District Student Transfer Plan for 2024-25 School Year (Action Requested)

Each Year, Any School Corporation Who Accepts Out Of District Students Must Have Their Board Of School Trustees Approve Guidelines Or A Transfer Plan. Mr. Anderson, Superintendent, Presented The Plan, Which Is Similar To Previous School Years, And Requested Approval From The School Board. Google Slides Were Attached To The Board Packet. Sherry Shei Motioned To Approve The Plan, Jake Wade Seconded The Motion, Motion Carried 5-0.

Section 30 of Roof (Action Requested)

A Good Majority Of Our Roof Was Re-Done During The 2015-16 Building Projects. That Work Was Done By Gluth Brothers, And Included A 20-Year Warranty That Extends Until 2035. We Do Have A Few Sections Of The Roof That Were NOT Done In 2015 Though, As Their Warranty Ran Until Late 2023. Jeff Rucker Had Tremco Completed A Roof Inspection, Which Included An Infrared Scan Of The Roof To Ensure There Was No Leaking And Identify Any Areas Of The Roof Where Puddling Of Water May Occur. Overall, Our Roof Is Still In Good Shape! We Do Have One Section, That Is Out Of Warranty, Where The Roof Membrane Is Peeling. We Don't Want To Run Into Water Issues, And Therefore We Solicited Bids (With The Assistance Of Tremco) To Have That Section Of The Roof Re-Done. Mr. Anderson, Superintendent, Reviewed The Bids With The Board, Provided A Recommendation, And Requested Approval To Complete The Work. Brian Lautenbach Motioned To Approve The Roof Bid, Jake Wade Seconded The Motion, Motion Carried 5-0.

Discussion regarding Solar Eclipse on April 8th (Information Only)

As You Know, There Will Be A Solar Eclipse On April 8th, The Day We Return From Spring Break. Parts Of Indiana Will Be In The Path Of Totality Of The Solar Eclipse, While Laporte County Will Experience 96% Of The Totality (According To Laporte County Emergency Management). Mr. Anderson Discussed The Eclipse With The Board, Potential Safety Concerns, Along With Proposed Actions Steps To Take For The Day.

Updates on Summer 2024 Building Project (Information Only)

All Facets Of The Building Project Have Continued To Move Forward Nicely. Each Entity We're Working With Continues To Impress Me With Their Level Of Professionalism And Commitment To South Central; Including Tonn And Blank, Elevatus Architecture, Stifel Public Finance, And Ice Miller. Mr. Anderson Gave A Presentation To Share Updates.

OTHER ITEMS/SUGGESTIONS BEFORE THE BOARD (Action Requested)

Mr. Derek Budka, Director Of Network Technology, and Deb Kammrath, Director Of Instructional Technology, Recommended and Requested Approval For The 2024-2028 Student Chromebook Lease Agreement With Trafera. Jake Wade Motioned To Approve, Brian Lautenbach Seconded The Motion, Motion Carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Jake Wade Motioned To Adjourn The Meeting At 6:54 pm, Sherry Shei Seconded the Motion, Motion Carried 5-0.

Deborah Allen, President

Jake Wade, Vice-President

Brian Lautenbach, Secretary

Sherry Shei, Deputy Secretary

Geraldine Grott, Member