

**Scott County School District 2
School Board of Education Meeting
Central Office Board Room
375 East McClain Avenue
Scottsburg, IN 47170**

**Board Minutes
October 4, 2016**

Executive Session - 5:00 p.m.

IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 For discussion of strategy with respect to: (3) discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety measures, plans, and systems; (6) any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction: (A) to receive information concerning the individual's alleged misconduct; and (B) to discuss, before a determination, the individual's status as an employee.

The Executive Session was held at 5:00 p.m. with all members present along with Dr. Slaton. There was no subject discussed other than that specified on the agenda. The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

2017 Public Budget Adoption - 6:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
Mr. Kendall called the Public Adoption meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- II. [2017 Budget](#)
- III. [2017-19 Capital Projects Plan](#)
- IV. [2017-28 School Bus Replacement Plan](#)
Ms. Sparkman presented the 2017 Budget, Capital Projects Plan and School Bus Replacement Plan and asked if there were any questions. There being none, Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Soloe. Motion carried 5-0.

- V. Adjourn
Mrs. Roberts made a motion to adjourn the Public Budget Adoption at 6:02 p.m. Mr. Mays seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Regular Board Meeting - immediately following Budget Adoption

- I. Call to Order
Mr. Kendall called the Regular meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Recognition of Visitors

IV. Superintendent's Report

A. [Lexington Elementary Blue Ribbon Award Recognition](#)
[LES Video](#)

Dr. Slaton announced that Lexington Elementary School was named a National Blue Ribbon School by the Department of Education. The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle, and high schools where students achieve very high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap. The award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families, and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging content. The National Blue Ribbon Schools flag gracing a school's building is a widely recognized symbol of exemplary teaching and learning. National Blue Ribbon Schools are an inspiration and a model for schools still striving for excellence. The Department of Education will formally recognize the 279 public and 50 private schools at an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. in November. Former LES principal, Chuck Rose, expressed his pride in the staff for their dedication and hard work stating that this honor was deeply deserved. Current principal Nick South introduced each of the LES teachers, stating that LES is a family which was evidenced by all of the current and former teachers in attendance. The Board

congratulated the entire LES staff for receiving this prestigious recognition.

B. Elementary Curriculum & Common Programming Presentation

Director of Elementary Education, Chuck Rose, gave the Board an overview of what is happening in the District elementary programs. He stated that teachers have been meeting to build scope and sequence

and

common assessments. Dustin Marshall has been having RTI (response to intervention) meetings in

each

building to develop good interventions for those students who have been identified as deficient in certain skills. Mr. Rose stated that their focus is geared toward individual student growth and how that can be assessed, noting that student progress could become a part of teacher pay after this contract expires. He said they are focusing on how to use programs more efficiently and how to use data to help monitor student growth for all students. The Board members asked several questions and thanked Mr. Rose for

his

work on this initiative.

C. [Ivy Tech Dual Credit Report](#)

Dr. Slaton shared the Ivy Tech Dual Credit Report for SHS which indicated that 142 students in Scott 2

have

earned 822 college credit hours and saved \$109,326 as a result of the Ivy Tech dual credit program. He noted that this does not include the students who take dual credit classes through Vincennes and Purdue, so the actual savings to our students is even greater.

D. [Homebound Report](#)

There are seven students receiving homebound instruction at this time, three due to medical issues and four due to behavioral issues.

- E. Enrollment- ADM Fall 2016 Update
The fall ADM enrollment stands at 2,677 with no conflicts at this time which puts the District up 70 students.
The conflict resolution window closes on October 13th at which time those numbers will be official.
- F. [Follow Up Google Doc](#)
Dr. Slaton provided the updated follow up list which was requested at the last board meeting. He noted that
the request for a 5 year projection of the band budget was addressed by putting the band on an annual budget to help control the fluctuation of that expense. He noted that the District did commit to help pay for new band uniforms for 2017 and this expense occurs approximately every 8 years.
- V. Consideration of Modification to the Agenda and Approval
Dr. Slaton asked permission to add one item to the agenda: 1) addition of Dance Sophisticates Invoice. Mrs. Soloe
made a motion to approve the agenda with this modification. Mrs. Roberts seconded and motion carried 5-0
- VI. Consideration of Board Minutes
Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve minutes from the [September 20, 2016](#), Regular Board meeting as presented.
Mr. Mays seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- VII. Financial Considerations
- A. [Expenditure Summary](#)
- B. [Payroll Claims 9-22-16](#)
- C. Regular Claims
1. [September 12 - 16](#)
 2. [September 19 - 23](#)
 3. [October 4, 2016](#)
- Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve all payroll and regular claims. Mr. Mays seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- D. [Monthly Financial Report](#)
Ms. Sparkman reported that the balance in the general fund is 1.8 million and she has projected meeting the 2 million dollar goal by the end of the year. She added that the District has spent 1.3 million less than was budgeted and based on enrollment the projected state support money should be approximately 570,000 more than last year.
- E. [Permission to Proceed to Small Claims Court](#)
Ms. Sparkman informed the Board that a letter would be sent to anyone with debts of \$100 or more stating the intent to proceed to small claims court if no effort is made to pay. She noted that each person has been contacted at least 5 times.
- F. Permission to Accept/Award Quotes
1. New Tech Office Security Renovation Quotes
 - a. [Scottsburg Glass \\$7,000](#)
 - b. [Kenny Glass \\$7,850](#)
 - c. Glass Unlimited - did not send quote

Mr. Riley provided quotes for the office redesign at New Tech and recommended awarding the quote to Scottsburg Glass. Mr. Mays made a motion to accept the quotes, seconded by Mrs. Roberts. Motion to accept carried 5-0. Mr. Mays made a motion to award the quote to Scottsburg Glass. Mrs. Soloe seconded and motion carried 5-0.

2. Business Office Software

- a. [Skyward \\$71,537](#)
- b. [Komputrol \\$67,300](#)

	Komputrol	Skyward
Conversion	\$56,100	\$55,187
Annual Maintenance	<u>11,200</u>	<u>16,350</u>
Total	67,300	71,537
Earliest Conversion	11/1/18	4/1/17

Dr. Slaton stated that the request to purchase a new software system for the Business Office was tabled in November 2015 in order to determine if the separation from the SSU Co-op would present an unforeseen financial need. Ms. Sparkman and Mr. Marshall concur that to the best of their knowledge there is no unforeseen financial need with the exception of a few additional

hours

for speech services due to growing enrollment this fall. He asked permission to proceed with the software purchase stating that the current software is an antiquated DOS based accounting system which is very difficult to retrieve information from as well as enter data into. Upgrading

will

make the office much more efficient. The majority of the money is available in the spare CPF.

He

recommended the Skyward system even though it is a bit more expensive explaining that Komputrol's new product has been out for some time with very few schools converting to it and

that

it has a 2 year waiting list. He added that Skyward is a multi-state company with a top of the line product which is user friendly, easier to train and includes an employee portal, substitute

tracking,

insurance tracking, time clock, and a lot more options built into it. He believes it is a good long term decision for the District and eventually could be our Student Information System. Mr. Mays made a motion to accept the quotes, seconded by Mrs. Soloe. Motion to accept carried 5-0. Mr. Moore asked about the system's uses and Ms. Sparkman responded that within two years the employee portal should be opened for use by everyone district wide. Mrs. Soloe made a motion

to

approve the Skyward purchase, seconded by Mr. Mays. Motion carried 5-0.

G. SMS 2007 Bond Refinance Discussion

- 1. [Potential Debt Service No. 1](#)
- 2. [Potential Debt Service No. 2](#)

Dr. Slaton stated that the District will be eligible to refinance the 2007 SMS Bond at a better interest rate in April 2017. He provided two options, one is to refinance and keep the payment length the same ending in 2024 and the second is to refinance and extend the payment by one year into 2025. Dr. Slaton and Ms. Sparkman recommended the second option because it extends our debt levels a year which will keep tax rates the same and likely generate approximately 2 million dollars for projects at the old middle school building and the new middle school while not increasing the tax rate. Dr. Slaton and Ms. Sparkman will provide a list of possible projects for Board review to begin the process of determining which projects will be completed using these funds.

H. Permission to Declare Surplus [\(Trophy Cases\)](#)

Dr. Slaton asked permission to declare the old lockers from the south end of the Meyer Gym building surplus and to scrap them locally. He provided a picture of the trophy cases that are being constructed in their place. Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve seconded by Mrs. Soloe. Motion carried 5-0.

I. [Dance Sophisticates Invoice \\$6,006 - Added 10-4-16](#)

The Board approved an invoice for marching band show flags for \$5,143 at the 9-6-16 meeting, however that company will not be able to deliver the materials on time. Mr. Johnston asked the Board to consider allowing them to purchase from Dance Sophisticates for \$6,006. Mr. Mays made a motion to approve seconded by Mrs. Soloe. Motion carried 5-0.

VIII. Operations

A. Personnel Recommendations

1. Support Staff Recommendation(s)
 - a. [Kirstin McNeeley - SES 3 Hour Cook](#)
2. ECA Staff Recommendation(s)
 - a. [Allison Berry - LES Testing & Data Specialist](#)
 - b. [Deana Schafer - SES History Club Sponsor](#)
3. Transfer(s)
 - a. [Elizabeth Brown - JES 6.25 Hour Cafeteria Manager](#)
 - b. [Brenda Chambers - JES 6 Hour Asst. Cafeteria Manager](#)
4. Termination(s)
 - a. [Amy Hawkins - JES Title I Instructional Assistant](#)
5. Professional Leave Request(s)
 - a. [Shannon Mount - Indiana Sectors Summit, Carmel, IN, Oct. 19-20](#)
 - b. [Shannon Mount - Because Kids Count Conference, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 28-30](#)
 - c. [Dancie Colson & Candace Herald - State Student Council Convention, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 5-6](#)
 - d. [Stacy Doriot, Mandi Wade & Kristen Richardson - IAG Conference, Indianapolis, IN, Dec. 12-13](#)
 - e. [Tiffany Copple - HECC Conference, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 9-10](#)
 - f. [Heather Crites - Nurse's Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 3-4](#)
 - g. [Sue Hart - ISNA Conference, French Lick, IN, Nov. 3-5](#)
 - h. [Chuck Rose, Nick South, Sherri Hale - Blue Ribbon Awards, Washington, D.C., Nov. 7-8](#)
6. Field Trip Request(s)
 - a. [SHS Student Council - State Student Council Convention, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 5-6](#)

The SHS Student Council asked the Board to consider paying for state convention fees and rooms for students citing the prohibitive cost which has gone up considerably. If the maximum 12 students attend, the cost would be approximately \$1,400. (Students would be responsible for the cost of their meals.) The SHS Student Council will be recognized as an honor council for the 27th consecutive year and only 7 schools across the state can boast this achievement.

- b. [LES 3rd Grade - Stage One, Louisville, KY, Dec. 2](#)
- 7. [Permission to Post](#)
 - a. JES Title I Instructional Assistant

Mr. Mays made a motion to approve all operations. Mrs. Roberts seconded and motion carried 5-0.

IX. Other Business

A. [Thank You Cards](#)

Dr. Slaton shared an email from Lori Croasdell thanking the Board and administration for waiving the fees for CEASe to host Sam Quinones in the SHS Media Center. Mr. Quinones, author of *Dreamland*, provided

a very interesting account of opiate addiction in America with several students and staff members. He also

shared a card from VFES Counselor Holly Asdell for remembrances sent after the loss of her grandmother

and a card from the students and staff of Austin Middle School for remembrances sent after the passing of

one of their teachers, Larry DeWitt. Dr. Slaton added that their schools are dealing with more tragedy after

the death of 2 of their high school students in an automobile accident recently and asked everyone to keep

the staff and students at Austin in our thoughts and prayers as they cope with these tragic losses.

Scott 2 also received official congratulations from Riley Children's Hospital for achieving 2015-16 Corporation Status by having participation from every school in the corporation or cumulatively raising at least \$1 per student enrolled for Riley. He congratulated students on a job well done.

Dr. Slaton congratulated the SHS boys' tennis team for winning the Seymour Sectional.

Mr. Moore asked for a report on how the food donation process started in the cafeterias and why there appears to be so much excess food prepared. Dr. Slaton stated that this practice has been stopped at this

time and that Mrs. Hart is checking into the situation.

X. Adjourn

Mr. Mays made a motion to adjourn at 7:17. Mrs. Soloe seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Jason Kendall, President

Josh Mays, Vice President

Christy Roberts, Secretary

Ron Moore, Member

Andrea Soloe, Member