

## SOUTH RIPLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

March 14, 2016

Versailles, Indiana

Member Steve Patrick said a prayer and then President Tim Taylor called to order the regular meeting of the South Ripley Board of School Trustees at 6:30 PM on Monday, March 14, 2016.

Members present were: Tim Taylor, Randy McIntosh, Becky Turner, Robert Garcia, Carol Holzer, Steve Patrick, and Jeff Cornett. Superintendent Robert Moorhead and School Attorney Merritt Alcorn were both present.

The agenda was approved as presented. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Under recognition, Superintendent Moorhead recognized South Ripley High School student Chris Perdue for being named to Team USA for the Special Olympics World Winter Games in the snowboarding competition. Chris will be traveling to Austria to compete March 14-17, 2017. Delegation Coordinator Greg Townsend was present to congratulate Chris and also share information on the Ripley Ohio Dearborn Special Olympics in Indiana. HS Media Specialist Brenda Strimple was also present and was recognized for her fundraising efforts for the Special Olympics Polar Plunge. Mrs. Strimple is also assisting in the fundraising for the Austria trip for Chris, having already raised over \$1,200. Teacher Trace Tucker was present to congratulate Chris. President Taylor congratulated Chris and wished him well at the spring 2017 Special Olympics. Several family members were present to support Chris. The mother of Chris, Sherry Carroll, thanked Mr. Tucker and South Ripley Community Schools for all they have done for her son.

Under consent items, Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the minutes from the February 15, 2016 meeting as submitted. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Steve Patrick, vote 7-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the claims as submitted. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the financial report as submitted. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Under personnel, Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Ms. Leslie Rennie to fill an elementary teacher position at South Ripley Elementary, effective August 1, 2016. Ms. Rennie earned her Bachelor's degree from IU, and this will be her first year of teaching. She would enter at BL1 per the Master Agreement. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Ms. Kristen Hughes to fill the Student Data Coordinator position, effective April 1, 2016. Motion was made to approve by Becky Turner, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought acceptance of the resignation of Ms. Angela Ochs from the position of Junior High Volleyball coach, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Becky Turner, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval of Mr. Travis Wrightsman to fill the Junior High Boys Track coaching position as well as the Junior High Girls Track coaching position for the 2016 season. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to extend Ms. Joyce Welch's medical leave through May 6, 2016 due to her approved FMLA expiring March 11, 2016. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Carol Holzer, vote 7-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the FMLA request of Ms. Barb Wood, effective retroactively from March 1, 2016 through May 24, 2016 intermittently, not to exceed twelve weeks.

Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Steve Patrick, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval to advertise for a combined Alternative School Director/High School English full-time teaching position for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the resignation of Ms. Jan Bosche' from the position of High Ability Aide, effective February 22, 2016. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval for the addition of bowling to the sports for which a student can earn alternative supervised physical education credit. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval to continue offering Drivers Education during the summer for 2016. This would be contingent upon having at least 20 students that have paid the \$100 deposit by the deadline of April 29, 2016. The cost per student will again be \$400 per student. Motion was made to approve by Becky Turner, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval of the Summer School Programs for 2016 as submitted, and approval to post the appropriate positions needed for hire to run the programs. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval for the high school moderate classroom field trip to the Summer Special Olympics. This would be an overnight field trip at ISU in Terre Haute, IN from June 9 – June 12, 2016. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead sought approval for five members of SRJHS staff to attend an out-of-state conference in Washington DC for Schools to Watch. The conference will be June 22-24, 2016 and is part of the Schools to Watch recognition recently awarded to South Ripley Junior High School. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval to advertise for food quotes and milk bids for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval of eight (8) summer maintenance crew positions (three positions for the Elementary building and five for the High School/Middle School buildings), along with one adult summer technology assistant, for the summer of 2016. This would be limited to an 8-week assignment and the positions will be posted. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval of an Amended and Restated Southeastern Career Center Operating Agreement, effective immediately. There were only minor changes made. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

School Attorney left the meeting at this time.

Under information items, Superintendent Moorhead informed the board that South Ripley has been again named the Polar Plunge Cool School for the year 2016. South Ripley earned this distinction by generating the most fund-raising dollars for this year's event. Thanks were again given to HS Media Specialist Brenda Strimple for her fund raising endeavors and to Star Student Cara Beck for individually raising over \$1,000.

Superintendent Moorhead informed the board that the Spring Regional Meeting for Region 10 will be Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at the Pines in Seymour, IN. Board members were asked to let Karen know if interested in attending.

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Superintendent Moorhead shared a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding between Ivy Tech and South Ripley, along with a list of course offerings for which students can earn dual credit. This is a continuation of the current agreement.

Business Manager Lana Miller informed the board of two Impact Aid payments received. We received a final FY2012 payment in the amount of \$1,579.62 on March 4, 2016, and a FY 2016 initial payment of \$67,782 was received on February 16, 2016.

Business Manager Lana Miller informed the board that a two-year renewal of our vision insurance was received at the current rate of \$11.15 per employee per month. The current benefit structure is unchanged as well.

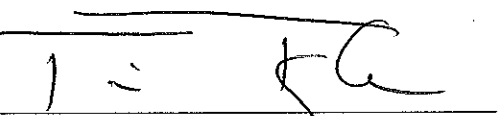
Under other, Superintendent Moorhead congratulated Teacher Mary Gehring and South Ripley High School for being selected as 1 of 15 winners from across the country of the Trick or Treat for UNICEF School Challenge. Ms. Gehring entered this competition by writing an essay about the many projects done for others at South Ripley High School, many through the Sunshine Society and Students in Action for Education. South Ripley High School will receive \$500 worth of Scholastic books to teach students about global citizenship. Superintendent Moorhead was excited to announce this great news.

Board members again congratulated Chris Perdue and wished him well with his trip next March to Austria to compete on Team USA in the snowboarding competition. Board members also congratulated student Megan Cole for doing a great job running in the USA Track & Field Hershey Youth Championship indoor track meet. Both of her runs in this event were her personal best times.

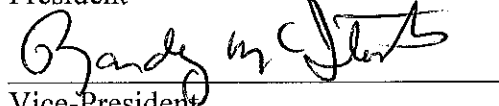
Member Jeff Cornett mentioned the recent death of Karen Goris. Superintendent Moorhead stated that Karen's retirement from South Ripley in May 2015 had not been that long ago. Condolences were sent to the family.

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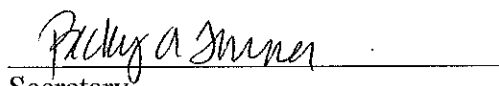
Motion was made to adjourn by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0. An executive session preceded the regular session regarding the purchase or lease of real property and job performance evaluation of an individual employee. An executive session was held on March 7 regarding the purchase or lease of real property. No other topics were discussed.



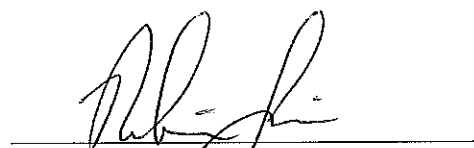
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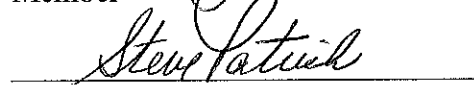
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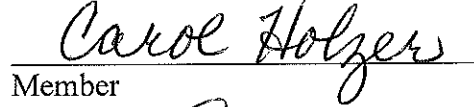
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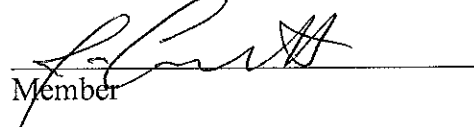
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