

SOUTH RIPLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

April 16, 2018

Versailles, Indiana

Board Member Steve Patrick said a prayer and then Board Present Tim Taylor called the regular meeting of the South Ripley Board of School Trustees to order at 6:35 PM on Monday, April 16, 2018. Members present were: Tim Taylor, Becky Turner, Randy McIntosh, Jeff Cornett, Robert Garcia, Steve Patrick, and Carol Holzer. Superintendent Robert Moorhead and School Attorney Merritt Alcorn were both in attendance.

The agenda was approved as presented with an additional personnel item. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 7-0.

Under correspondence, thank you notes were received from the families of Lester Truelove, Robert Underwood, and Wanita Linkel.

Superintendent Moorhead welcomed Jennifer Horvath and Jerry Morgan who were both in attendance to conduct a board observation. They represent AdvancEd and ISBA and their observation is part of a pilot program across the state.

Under consent items, Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the minutes as submitted. Jeff Cornett made the motion to approve, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

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

The Financial Report was given by Business Manager Lana Miller. Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the Financial Report as submitted. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Under personnel, Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the following staff to fill the summer custodial positions beginning May 29, 2018 through July 27, 2018: Jeff Huss, Troy Mohr, Kari Taulbee, Andrew Bayne, Jane Raab, Patricia Kappes, Patty Harrell, and Max

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Howard. This summer assignment will be for a maximum of eight (8) weeks total, with the week of July 2 – 6 off for all summer custodial positions. Motion was made to approve by Becky Turner, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Mr. Mark Guard to fill the summer computer maintenance position, effective May 29, 2018 through July 27, 2018. Mr. Guard's schedule will not be subject to the same schedule as the custodians. This position is paid from CPF. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Ms. Lynn Cumberworth to teach the SRHS Summer School program in June and July. This will consist of eight (8) Wednesday sessions for 4 hours each, with an additional half hour each session for the teacher to complete approval of coursework completed by the students. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the acceptance of the resignation of Mr. Mike Doherty, High School Maintenance Supervisor, effective July 31, 2018. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the approval of Ms. Sally Weales to fill the temporary Kindergarten Teacher position vacated by Ms. Leasa Nay's medical leave. Ms. Weales is an experienced teacher and will be paid substitute rate for the first fifteen days of the assignment and then Masters Degree with 6 years experience rate as her daily rate for the remainder of the leave. Ms. Weales effective date will be retroactive to April 9, 2018. This position is a non-contract, temporary position and is not eligible for benefits. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval for Ms. Gail Snyder to work additional summer hours as needed for the office and bookstore during the months of June and July. This is consistent with past practice. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Mr. Ron Buchanan as a corporation bus route driver, effective April 17, 2018. This position is open due to a resignation earlier in the year. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Ms. Kari Taulbee as a corporation bus route driver, effective April 17, 2018. This position is open due to a resignation earlier in the year. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the resignation of BJ Sieverding from his paid position of Co-Assistant Baseball Coach, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of Mr. Jeff Greiwe to fill the position of Assistant Baseball Coach (previously Co-Assistant) to receive the full stipend, and allow BJ Sieverding to remain on staff as a volunteer coach, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the resignation of Ms. Kelly Sparks from her position of Co-Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Ms. Lainey Everage to fill a 3.5 hour day third grade aide, vacated due to Jacqueline Wood moving positions. This is effective April 23, 2018 through the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought adoption of the newly developed Mission, Vision and Values Statements for South Ripley, which will be rolled out to all staff at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion was made to approve by Becky Turner, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of a 3-year lease financing agreement with Providence Capital Network for 600 student devices (bid through IAESC) and jackets at a cost of \$136,800. Approval was also sought to pay out of Capital Projects Fund the Google Chrome Management license cost of \$25 per device to Five Star Technologies who provided the lowest cost. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to purchase new servers and storage equipment per the recommendation of our Technology Director Scott Richie. This was a planned 2018 project and is budgeted for in the Capital Projects Fund. The lowest quote received on this project was \$46,465 from Five Star Technologies. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval of the new vendor, Safe Hiring Solutions, as a third party vendor to process our extended background checks, Child Protection Index filings, Social Security Number confirmations, and professional license confirmations. This vendor utilizes online entry by the employee and results are submitted to South Ripley. The cost for these checks for new hires is the responsibility of the new hire. The requisite checks on existing

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employees will be at the corporation's cost and performed every five years as required by law. Pricing ranges from \$21.95 to \$24.95. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval for the Southeastern Career Center to use a South Ripley yellow bus to take on an out-of-state day field trip to Troy, OH. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to render obsolete a listing of old track and band items to be salvage or scrap and taken to Schneider's Scrap Metal in Osgood, IN. These items have been cleaned out of the Giltner building to make room for usable equipment. The proceeds from this will be receipted into the Athletic Department Fund. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Becky Turner, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of South Ripley's statement in regard to House Enrolled Act 1381 regarding transfer student acceptance for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Under information items, Superintendent Moorhead gave an update on the progress of the Pre-School Program. Currently nine students have shown interest in attending. A final decision and recommendation will be presented at the May board meeting regarding this proposed Pre-school class.

Superintendent Moorhead informed the board that the Southeastern Indiana REMC has scheduled their 2019 Annual meeting at South Ripley High School to be held on Saturday, March 30, 2019.

Business Manager Lana Miller shared the vision insurance renewal. Vision Service Plan (VSP) has provided a 2-year renewal at current rates.

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Superintendent Moorhead extended congratulations to Principal Destiny Rutzel on her recent graduation from the Indiana Principals Leadership Institute. Destiny completed this two-year professional development program with a graduation ceremony on Monday afternoon. Throughout the first year of the IPLI program, principals focus on increasing their personal leadership capacities, and in year two the focus shifts to increasing the learning capacities of their schools. Each principal brings two teachers to the IPLI sessions during Year 2, and SRJHS was well represented by Holly Swinney and Angela Ochs. Since Principal Rod Hite was a mentor for this cohort of principals, he was able to take two SRHS teachers to the IPLI workshops this year as well. Thanks were extended to Lynn Cumberworth and Wanda Ploeger for admirably representing SRHS at these meetings. Superintendent Moorhead thanked the board for investing in IPLI and stated what a great learning experience it was for South Ripley and all involved.

Superintendent Moorhead additionally extended congratulations to SRJHS Principal Destiny Rutzel who was recently named District 10 Middle School Principal of the Year by the Indiana Association of School Principals. The district principals of the year will be recognized at a special dinner and ceremony at the IASP Fall Conference in November.

Superintendent Moorhead informed the board that ISTEP+ begins this week.

Superintendent Moorhead informed the board that the Technology Committee will be presenting an E-Learning presentation at the May board meeting. Preparing to use E-Learning Days as early as next school year is the next logical step in our 1:1 progression.

Member Carol Holzer informed the board that she had attended the Bicentennial celebration of Ripley County. The Young Confederates sang at the event and she said they sounded really

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great. Superintendent Moorhead applauded the Young Confederates under the direction of Kris Lafary.

Motion was made to adjourn by Robert Garcia, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 7-0. An executive session began at 6:00 PM for discussion of the implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems and also to receive information about prospective employees. No other items were discussed.

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