

## SOUTH RIPLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

January 14, 2019  
Versailles, Indiana

President Tim Taylor said a prayer and then called the meeting of the South Ripley Board of School Trustees to order at 6:45 PM on Monday, January 14, 2019. Board members present were: Jeff Cornett, Carol Holzer, Danielle McGee, Randy McIntosh, Andy Miller, and Tim Taylor. Robert Garcia was unable to attend due to work duties. Superintendent Robert Moorhead and School Attorney Merritt Alcorn were both present.

School Attorney Merritt Alcorn administered the Oath of Office to Danielle McGee, Andy Miller, and Tim Taylor. Superintendent Moorhead and board members welcomed the two new board members and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the agenda as presented. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

Under recognition, Superintendent Moorhead recognized Junior High Principal Destiny Rutzel for being named Indiana Middle School Principal of the Year. President Taylor congratulated Mrs. Rutzel and presented a Certificate of Recognition and a gift. Principal Rutzel thanked the board and stated that she couldn't do the job she does without the amazing staff and students in her building. Many teachers and instructional assistants were present to support Mrs. Rutzel. Superintendent Moorhead congratulated Principal Rutzel and thanked her for her leadership.

Superintendent Moorhead congratulated Junior High Teacher Melanie Evans for receiving the 2018 Dr. Kosmas Kayes Educator Scholarship. Mrs. Evans received \$500 and used it toward a service learning project with the students making 16 fleece blankets to be donated. President Taylor presented a Certificate of Recognition and congratulated Mrs. Evans.

A large number of Junior High staff members were present and were recognized for their re-designation as a National School to Watch. Only 13 schools in the State of Indiana currently have this designation. Principal Rutzel shared the work involved in the re-designation process and thanked her staff for taking ownership of the

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application process. Principal Rutzel stated how proud she was of her staff and how hard they work wanting to improve and be the best they can be. Superintendent Moorhead congratulated the Junior High and recognized the outstanding job they do on a daily basis.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the minutes as submitted. Jeff Cornett made the motion to approve, seconded by Carol Holzer, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the claims as presented. Motion was made by Randy McIntosh to approve, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

The detailed 2018 year-end Financial Report was given by Business Manager, Lana Miller. Revenues, expenditures, interest on investments, encumbrances and other relevant matters were discussed. Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the Financial Report as submitted. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

Under action items, President Taylor opened the floor for nomination of 2019 Officers. Randy McIntosh made the nomination to nominate a slate of officers, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0. Officer Slate: Tim Taylor, President; Randy McIntosh, Vice President; and Carol Holzer, Secretary. Administrative/ Noncertified Committee: Carol Holzer, Randy McIntosh, and Tim Taylor. Athletic Council: Jeff Cornett and Randy McIntosh. Legislative Representative: Carol Holzer. Negotiation Committee: Carol Holzer, Randy McIntosh, and Tim Taylor. Motion was made to close nominations by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Carol Holzer, vote 6-0. Motion was made to accept and approve the Slate by Acclamation by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0. Superintendent Moorhead thanked everyone for their willingness to serve.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of 2018 Year-End Balance of Appropriations, Expenditures, Investments, Transfers, and Encumbrances. Motion to approve was made by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 6-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the entire Board of School Trustees to serve as the Board of Finance for 2019. Motion to approve was made by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of renewing the established time of 6:30 PM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month as the appointed day and time for Regular Board meetings. Motion to approve was made by Andy Miller, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the appointment of Lana Miller as Treasurer and Karen Sieverding as Deputy Treasurer for 2019. Motion to approve was made by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of Merritt Alcorn to be appointed as School Board Attorney for 2019. Motion to approve was made by Carol Holzer, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0. Superintendent Moorhead and board members thanked Merritt for his willingness to serve.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of School Resource Officer Jeff Thielking as School Safety Officer for 2019. Motion to approve was made by Carol Holzer, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 6-0.

Under personnel, Superintendent Moorhead recommended employment of Mr. Shane Tompkins as varsity softball coach, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Danielle McGee, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 5-1.

Superintendent Moorhead sought approval to create and post the ROD-approved additional teacher in the SR Moderate program, effective for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to extend the FMLA of Ms. Belinda Mockbee until January 17, 2019, as per her doctor's direction. Motion was made to approve by Andy Miller, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the FMLA leave request of Ms. Lynn Cumberworth, effective January 16, 2019 through approximately 6 weeks, pending a doctor's release. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Carol Holzer, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of an Initial Funding Transfer Resolution seeking approval for the Treasurer of South Ripley Community School Corporation to transfer the amount of \$230,350 (11% of the 12-31-18 General Fund Balance) from the Education Fund to the Operations Funds to establish an initial funding allocation for the Operations Fund for expenses that are not allocated to student instruction and learning under IC 20-42.5. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 6-0.

Under information items, Business Manager Lana Miller informed the board that the IRS has increased the standard mileage rate for business miles driven from 54.5 cents per mile to 58.0 cents per mile, effective January 1, 2019. South Ripley will follow the IRS increase.

Business Manager Lana Miller informed the Board that reimbursement for the amount of the fraudulent check was received on December 31, 2018. First Financial made whole our loss due to the recent check fraud and also paid for check printing costs on the new account and new deposit tickets. Reimbursement was received in the amount of \$4,969.25 for the check.

Under other, board members welcomed the two new board members. Danielle McGee commented that she was excited to be joining the board. Andy Miller commended that it was nice to see the many awards the corporation is getting. He also thanked everyone for welcoming him to the board. The entire board made comments on the Junior High accomplishments and the awards received by Principal Rutzel and Melanie Evans.

Superintendent Moorhead congratulated Coach Ron Pollard, Coach Gina Partin, and the Girls' Bowling Team on capturing the Sectional Championship. Abby Kieffer also won the individual girls' bowling sectional

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championship. The Lady Raider bowlers were wished luck as they compete in the Regional on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Board members were provided new chrome books and asked to return the old ones if they had not done so already.

Superintendent Moorhead was happy to preview the new technology in the board room. He thanked the two maintenance directors Brian Myers and Rick Frey for doing the electrical work needed for the new monitors. He also commented on how well these two gentlemen work together in both buildings working on projects together and assisting each other when needed. It is nice to see staff teamwork between the two buildings.

Motion was made to adjourn by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0. An executive session was held prior to the regular session regarding the sale or lease of real property and job performance evaluation of individual employees. No other items were discussed.

Immediately following the regular session, a Board of Finance meeting was held. President Taylor opened the meeting. Superintendent Moorhead recommended opening the Election of Officers. Randy McIntosh recommended the Officers for the Board of Finance to be the same as the officers of the Board of School Trustees. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Andy Miller, vote 6-0. Superintendent Moorhead recommended adoption of the Investment and Financial Report as submitted in the regular meeting. A motion to approve was made by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Jeff Cornett, vote 6-0.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Andy Miller, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

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