

SOUTH RIPLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

August 17, 2020
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, August 17, 2020. Members present were: Jeff Cornett, Robert Garcia, Carol Holzer, Danielle McGee, Randy McIntosh, Andy Miller, and Tim Taylor. Member Robert Garcia was present at the start of the meeting, but had to excuse himself early in the meeting for personal reasons. He came back later in the meeting. Robert Moorhead and School Attorney Merritt Alcorn were both present. This meeting was held in the High School Auditoria with seating accommodating the recommended social distancing space.

The agenda was approved as submitted with one additional personnel item. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 7-0.

Under correspondence, a thank you note was received from the family of Vesta Ryan, the mother of Paul Rose.

Under consent items, Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the minutes as submitted. Randy McIntosh made the motion to approve, seconded by Carol Holzer, vote 7-0.

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

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the Financial Report as presented by Business Manager, Lana Miller. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Under personnel, Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the 2020-2021 Bus Driver Directory as submitted by TBG Supervisor, Gil Landwehr. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the 2020-2021 High School and Junior High ECA positions as submitted by Principals Ralston and Hutton. These positions will be paid a stipend at the

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conclusion of the school year and completion of the assignments. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Andy Miller, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval of the 2020-2021 Elementary School ECA positions as submitted by Principal Amy Linkel. These positions will be paid a stipend at the conclusion of the school year and completion of the assignments. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Ms. Nicole Riley, Ms. Sandy Walcott, and Ms. Megan Combs to fill the three (3) 5.25 hour daily paraprofessional positions at SRES for the 2020-2021 school year. These positions are considered temporary and are not eligible for benefits. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the retirement of Ms. Vernice Stratton from her position of Cafeteria Manager at SRES, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Danielle McGee, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 6-0. Superintendent Moorhead thanked Vernice for her 28 years of service.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the resignation of Ms. Robyn Greiwe from her 7-hour daily paraprofessional position, effective August 3, 2020. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Andy Miller, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to transfer Ms. Whitney Kirk from a 5.25-hour daily paraprofessional temporary position to a 7-hour daily paraprofessional position effective August 3, 2020. This position qualifies for the non-certified benefits package. Approval was also sought to fill the temporary 5.25-hour daily paraprofessional temporary position with Ms. Robyn Greiwe. This is a requested transfer by both employees. Motion was made to approve by Danielle McGee, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 6-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the retirement request of Ms. Pauline Doan from her position of Corporation Bus Driver, effective July 21, 2020. Motion was made to approve by Randy McIntosh, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 6-0. Superintendent Moorhead thanked Pauline for her 22 years of service.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval for Ms. Lindsay Hafft to be paid five days at her 2019-2020 daily rate for her participation in PLTW Medical Detectives training program June 22 – 26, 2020. This will be paid from the Junior High STEM Acceleration Grant. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Carol Holzer, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the resignation of Ms. Nicole McGuire from her position as a 5-hour daily cafeteria worker in the High School Cafeteria, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Danielle McGee, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 6-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to pay a \$150 stipend to the teachers completing the Google Level Up challenge this summer. These stipends will be paid through the Digital Learning Advisory Grant on August 28th. An employee listing was provided. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to pay Ms. Lynn Cumberworth a Teacher Mentor stipend to serve as a mentor to Mr. Jim Cole, first year teacher, for the 2020-2021 school year. This \$500 stipend will be paid at the conclusion of the school year. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Danielle McGee, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the resignation of Ms. McKenna Bradley from the position of Assistant Swim Coach, effective immediately. Motion was made to approve by Jeff Cornett, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

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Superintendent Moorhead recommended acceptance of the resignation of Ms. Lisa Schlotman from her 2-hour cafeteria position and "as needed" bus aide position, effective at the conclusion of the 2019-2020 school year. Motion was made to approve by Danielle McGee, seconded by Robert Garcia, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended the employment of Nick Ferree as our online teacher for K-2 students and coordinator of our Raider Online Academy. Nick will enter our pay scale at Level BLC. Motion was made to approve by Danielle McGee, seconded by Andy Miller, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to purchase two (2) new 2020 Freightliner, 78 passenger buses from Kerlin Bus Sales. The purchase price for these buses is \$90,105 each, for a total of \$180,210. Approval was also sought to purchase one (1) new 2020 Collins 14 passenger yellow bus with a lift from MidWest Transit for a purchase price of \$77,978. These purchases are through the IAESC Procurement, and are within the guidelines for the 2020-2024 Bus Replacement Plan. Motion was made to approve by Robert Garcia, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Superintendent Moorhead recommended approval to advertise the Calendar Year 2021 budgets as presented and discussed in the work session preceding the meeting. Motion was made to approve by Danielle McGee, seconded by Randy McIntosh, vote 7-0.

Under information items, board members were reminded of the Budget Hearing on September 21, 2021 at 6:30 PM. The Budget Adoption will be during the regular session in October. The September and October meetings will be held in the High School Auditoria.

Superintendent Moorhead informed the Board that a grant in the amount of \$2,500 was received from United Way of Franklin County to purchase masks for staff to start the school year. Thanks were extended to United Way of Franklin County and Business Manager Lana Miller for applying for the grant.

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Superintendent Moorhead thanked the Sponsors of the 2020 Graduation Livestream for their generous support: ETC Sports; Alcorn, Sage, Schwartz & Magrath LLP; EMCOR Construction Service; Friendship State Bank, and German American Bank.

Superintendent Moorhead shared the South Ripley Fall Athletics Event Plan which was approved by Dr. Welsh.

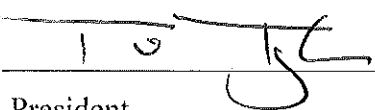
Under other, Superintendent Moorhead thanked the administration, staff, students, and parents for a smooth start of the school year. He stated he appreciated the efforts of everyone. He additionally commended Nurses Marie Menchhofer and Mandy Rohrig for their hard work taking care of our students.

Superintendent Moorhead thanked the maintenance and custodial staff for their work at the end of the HVAC project getting the elementary school ready for the start of school.

Member Jeff Cornett stated that his family was hosting another foreign exchange student this year. Superintendent Moorhead thanked Jeff for allowing this opportunity as this is beneficial for both the exchange student and SR students.


Board members and Superintendent Moorhead thanked Business Manager Lana Miller for her work in the budget preparation process, as well as the detailed information presented in the Budget Work Session.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Robert Garcia, with a second by Jeff Cornett, vote 7-0. A work session proceeded the regular session regarding Proposed 2021 Budgets.

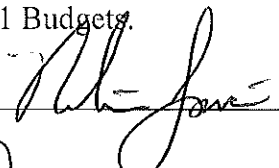


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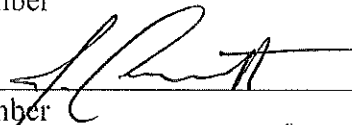
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