

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD  
SUNMAN-DEARBORN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
RIPLEY AND DEARBORN COUNTIES, INDIANA  
OCTOBER 13, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation was held October 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. EST, in the East Central High School cafeteria with the following individuals in attendance: David Anderson, Brandon Burress, Cindie Fox, Joyce Huffman, Jeff Lyness, Michael Norman, Glenn Scholl, School Attorney Frank Kramer, Superintendent Dr. Jeff Hendrix, Director of Support Services Kris Wilson, Director of Financial Operations Charles Blake, Director of Human Resources Mary Ann Baines and Recording Secretary Cheri Huff.

An Executive session was held from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm EST. During the executive session the Board discussed personnel items as provided by I.C.5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(1) and I.C.5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(2)(A). The Board of Education will not discuss subject matter in the executive session other than the subject matter specified in the notice for the meeting.

Mr. Scholl called the open meeting to order at 7:13 pm EST, leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Scholl made a change to the agenda. Item 7 and Item 8 will be reversed; Public Comments will come before the Director of Support Services Report.

*Mr. Scholl recognized Mrs. Baudendistel for the “Groovy News You Can Use” presentation by S-DMS.*

Mrs. Baudendistel played a short medley of the new “Groovy News You Can Use” broadcasts that air at the Middle School and talked a little about them. Students Sam Gast, Claudia Schuckman, Sarah Ruehl, and Jacob Wolf also shared some information with the Board in regards to the broadcasts.

*Mr. Scholl read the items on the consent agenda.*

- 4.1 Approval of Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting on September 8, 2011
- 4.2 Approval of claims for payment 112140 - 112620
- 4.3 Approval of personnel report

Request for Medical Leave

Name	Building & Assignment	Effective Date
	ND/Teacher	9/26/2011
	ROD/Instructional Assistant	9/7/2011

Recommendation for Employment

Name	Building & Assignment	Effective Date
Jennifer Stutts	MS/Nurse	10/13/2011
Ann Marie Rogers	SE/Student Specific Instructional Asst.	10/13/2011
Robert Shipley	EC/Principal	07/01/2011
Rhonda Huff	MS/Cafeteria (moving from 3 to 8 hrs)	10/13/2011
Kay Trabel	IS/Cafeteria (moving from 4 to 2 hrs)	10/13/2011
Cathy Hoog	IS/Cafeteria (moving from 2 to 4 hrs)	10/13/2011
Eugene Crabill	EC/Long Term Sub	10/03/2011
Rebecca Wagner	MS/Study Hall Monitor	10/13/2011

Accept Letters of Resignation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building &amp; Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jennifer Coy	ROD/Certified O.T. Asst.	10/6/2011
Carina Lewis	MS/Nurse	9/30/2011
Mark Watkins	MS/Principal	9/19/2011
Denise Johnson	SE/Nurse	10/26/2011

4.4 Approval of overnight field trips

Jim Stock, Jamie Ballart and Krista Hutzal along with 28 students going to the IASC 2011 State Convention in Indianapolis; leaving on November 5, 2011 and returning on November 6, 2011.

*Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve with one motion and one vote consent agenda items 4.1 through and including 4.4 as presented.*

Mrs. Fox made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lyness, to approve consent agenda items 4.1 through and including 4.4. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Scholl moved to Action Items.

*Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve to adopt the CPF Resolution as presented.*

Mrs. Fox made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Huffman, to adopt the CPF Resolution. The motion carried by voice vote.

*Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve to adopt the Bus Replacement Plan and Resolution as presented.*

Mr. Lyness made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to adopt the Bus Replacement Plan and Resolution. The motion carried by voice vote.

*Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve to adopt the Neutrality Resolution as presented.*

Mr. Burress made a motion, seconded by Mr. Anderson, to adopt the Neutrality Resolution. The motion carried by voice vote.

*Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve to adopt the 2012 Budget as presented.*

Mr. Lyness made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to adopt the 2012 Budget. The motion carried by voice vote.

*Mr. Scholl recognized Mr. Blake, Director of Financial Operations.*

Mr. Blake reviewed the Financial Report for September 2011.

*Mr. Scholl asked for public comments and read the public comments policy.*

Doug Gabbard, 1261 Woodland Circle in Lawrenceburg, and Bob Hartman, 11563 N. Co. Rd. 400E in Batesville, asked the Board to consider having the East Central Dancers affiliated with and sponsored by the school corporation. They asked that the EC Dance Team Members would be featured in the yearbook, perform at school events, be able to use the buses. They asked to be affiliated with the school, but not funded by the school. Sgt. Michael Francis, US Army and EC Dancer father, told the Board how special it would be to see his daughter perform at school events. Mr. Scholl said he will contact Jeannie Herman after he speaks with the Board to discuss the request.

Sarah Ruehl, 21907 Greenwood Drive in Lawrenceburg, student at S-DMS, shared information with the Board on Destination Imagination. She stated that they are looking for suggestions for projects to focus on and also need a community partner; someone who can help with money, labor, and supplies.

The following community members shared their thoughts and concerns with the balanced calendar idea. Mia Williams of 2453 Picnic Woods Drive in Lawrenceburg, Dawn Burke of 20063 Ravenda Drive in Lawrenceburg, Margaret Dorr of 25887 Easy Way Drive in Guilford, Kathy Witte of 967 Rustic Drive in Lawrenceburg, Tim Becker of N. Co. Rd. 100 E. in Sunman, and Charles Neely

*Mr. Scholl recognized Mr. Wilson, Director of Support Services.*

Mr. Wilson shared the calendar options and the results of the survey that was given to certified staff in the corporation. He stated that the teachers thought two weeks off in the fall was too much and that they all felt moving the snow make-up days to March was a good idea. Mr. Wilson said there were several reasons other school districts in the area have either already adopted a balanced calendar or are still considering a balanced calendar. These reasons include shortening the length of time off in the summer to help retention, aligning with the programs at the Career Center and ROD, and to make up snow days earlier in the school year as opposed to the end.

*Mr. Wilson recommended that the Board approve calendar option C for the 2012-13 school year as presented.*

Mr. Lyness made a motion to approve calendar option C. There was not a second. Mrs. Fox said the recommendation needs to be tabled given the comments that have been heard. Mrs. Fox made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to table the recommendation to approve calendar option C for the 2012-13 school year. The motion carried by voice vote.

The Board discussed their thoughts and concerns with the different calendars.

*Mr. Wilson recommended that the Board approve an extension to a bus route.*

Mr. Wilson explained that Academy Child Care meets all the requirements of a bus route extension. This would be an additional 0.8 of a mile per day for bus #12 at a cost of \$3.68 per day.

Mr. Anderson made a motion, seconded Mrs. Huffman, to approve the bus route extension. The motion carried by voice vote.

*Mr. Scholl asked for comments from the SDEA.*

There were no comments from the SDEA.

*Mr. Scholl recognized building Principals to report on their schools.*

Mr. Bond, North Dearborn Elementary, reported on the guest speakers they had visit their building, grades 3 through 8 starting Acuity, a new sign being installed, and red tulip bulbs being planted on their property as a promise to be drug free.

Mr. Goessling, Bright Elementary, reported on the High Ability workshop and a Reading Strategy workshop and thanked Shawn Wilhelm and Dr. Corning for organizing these professional development events. Reading specialists from IDOE came to speak about the IDOE reading plan, reading framework, RTI, Acuity, IStep, and the IDOE website. The presentation was taped and is available to all teachers in other buildings. Administrators and reps from SES, BES, NDES, and S-DIS attended a discussion on the transition to Common Core Standards and the reading plan. Mr. Goessling invited everyone to the PTO sponsored presentation of the “Frog Princess” on Oct. 24, their Veteran’s Day Program on Nov. 11 at 9 a.m., and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade winter musical on Dec. 21 at ECHS.

Mrs. Morton, Sunman Elementary, is shooting for 100% parent participation in Parent-Teacher Conferences on Oct. 19. She thanked the Sunman Tiger Paws for hosting the Donuts with Dads and the Book Fair. On Oct. 26, there will be a flu shot clinic for students.

Mrs. Vennemeier, S-D Intermediate School, reported Acuity is amazing; the results are immediate and believes this will help tremendously on ISTEP. She invited everyone to their Veteran’s Day Program on Nov. 9.

Mrs. Baudendistel, S-D Middle School, reported on the choir program stating there are 9 solo performances and is very proud of the talent. The “Pack the House” night was very successful. Acuity testing is going well. Remediation should improve with having a new study hall monitor. Student Council provided a teacher appreciation dinner. A new student-driven anti-bullying program is being started called S.M.I.L.E (Students Making Individual Lives Extraordinary). She welcomes parents to come to conferences.

Mr. Shipley, ECHS, applauded Mrs. Ester for the successful PSAT testing that involved 430 students. They showed “Hotel Rwanda” in advance to the genocide survivor that will be speaking this weekend in the PAC at ECHS (open to the public). Oct. 19 will be used as an in-service day where the staff will concentrate hard on curriculum. There is an academic meet on Oct. 31 in the PAC.

*Mr. Scholl asked any Board Member to comment on any item of interest.*

There were no board comments.

*Mr. Scholl recognized Dr. Hendrix, Superintendent.*

Dr. Hendrix shared that he and Mrs. Baines attended several meetings in regards to SEA1. They are reviewing this new law. He stated that it is a very complicated process with the new teacher negotiation process and the items that can be discussed. He mentioned the RISE model for teacher evaluations and that there is a grant available for next year to reward teachers that use this model. In regards to strategic planning, a grant request has been written to the Endowment Board to request the assistance of Dr. Steve Benjamin with this process.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Scholl asked for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Fox made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Huffman to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm EST. The motion carried by voice vote.