

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD
SUNMAN-DEARBORN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
RIPLEY AND DEARBORN COUNTIES, INDIANA
OCTOBER 10, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation was held October 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. EST, in Room #142 at East Central High School with the following individuals in attendance: Brandon Burress, Joe Graf, Joyce Huffman, John McKay, Jeff Lyness, Michael Norman, Glenn Scholl, School Attorney Frank Kramer, Superintendent Dr. Jeff Hendrix, Director of Support Services Tom Harris, Director of Financial Operations Charles Blake, Director of Human Resources Mary Ann Baines and Recording Secretary Linda Skipton.

An Executive session was held at 5:00 pm EST. During the executive session the Board discussed job performance evaluation of individual employees per I.C.5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9). 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. Lyness called the open meeting to order at 7:05 PM EST, leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Lyness recognized Krista Slayback, ECHS Nurse.

Ms. Slayback presented to the Board a plan to have emergency oxygen available in the school for use in an emergency. She explained the brain can only survive for only 5 minutes without it. Dr. Scudder, our school physician of record, approves this measure and has agreed to write a standing order to administer emergency oxygen pending school board approval.

Mr. Lyness recognized Bev Ester, ECHS Guidance Counselor.

Mrs. Ester presented the Board with Curriculum Profile Fall of 2013 materials explaining the AP/DUAL CREDIT/HONORS CLASSES that are offered at East Central High School. The study showed the Graduation Rate, Dual Credits, Advanced Placement and Honors. Dual credits are a significant cost savings per credit hour for students. They are shifting the AP standard to quality, not quantity. She added that any input would be greatly appreciated.

Mr. Lyness recognized the school Principals for their Student Assessment Reports.

Mrs. Morton stated that Mr. Bond had to leave due to a family medical issue.

Mrs. Morton, Sunman Elementary, presented a lot of data which she focused on cohort groups of students and looked at the rate of growth and how it changed over time.

Mr. Scholl asked about social demographics impact.

Mrs. Morton responded that Sunman Elementary does have changing demographics.

Mrs. Vennemeier, Intermediate School, reported on the growth of the students in the 4th to 6th grades. She stated there were lower scores in the writing area. Special Ed. Students are making progress. Comprehension levels are low and working on getting help in that area. She has set school goals and Math adoption has had an impact on the scores.

Mr. Goessling, Bright Elementary, stated his ISTEP scores show growth. He stated that 4th grade math scores are lower by 87%. He stated they have a lot of move-ins and want to concentrate on these students and have set up an improvement goal. The school has set up a Teacher Toolbox for improvement. This consists of Core/Enrichment/Remediation and will see how the classes are developing later this year. The school is using Renaissance program and the new reading adoption and they are showing student growth.

Mrs. Baudendistel, Middle School, explained that there has been a drop in the Language Arts area, which they are focusing on. The 8th graders have a steady increase and the 7th graders have stayed consistent in Math. She stated they have started labs for student assessments and screenings for student achievement. Also, the RTI Manual gives teachers ideas to draw from for student development and they are restructuring the Math Program. She reported the results were in from the Student Bullying Survey, and there are a higher percentage of students experiencing bullying.

Mr. Shipley, East Central, reported that Renaissance works from Kdg. through 12th grade to see growth.

Mr. Lyness read the items on consent agenda.

- 6.1 Approval of Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting on September 12, 2013
- 6.2 Approval of claims for payment (119076-119312)
- 6.3 Approval of personnel report

Request for Medical Leave

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
	BE/Staff member	8/7/2013 – 9/9/2013
	ND/Staff member	1/16/2014 – 3/28/2014

Recommendation for Employment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>
Steffanie Clowers	EC/Food & Nutrition Associate (2 ½ hr.)
Emily Tucker	EC/ Food & Nutrition Associate (2 hr.)
Diane Vogelgesang	EC/Food & Nutrition Associate (4 hr.)
Holly Noel	IS/Food & Nutrition Associate (2 hr.)
Cindy Andres	Special Purpose Bus Driver
Connie Turner	BE/Homebound Teacher
Jennifer Gruen	EC/Homebound Teacher
Regina Smith	EC/Long Term Sub Instructional Assistant
Brandon Campbell	EC/Assistant Swim Coach
Adam Wolf	EC/Assistant H.S. Wrestling
Janelle Harrell	BE/Instructional Assistant
Jamilyn Oelker	ND/Homebound Teacher

Accept Letters of Resignation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Michelle VanSickle	BE/Instructional Assistant	10/11/2013
Theresa Sterwerf	IS/Food & Nutrition Associate	10/11/2013
Justin Jackson	EC/Long Term Sub Instructional Assistant	9/27/2013

6.4 Approval of Overnight Field Trips

- David Disbro, Billy Theising, Danny Kleckner, Matt Stenger and the East Central Varsity Basketball going to the Bob Wetting Tournament in Richmond; leaving on 1/3/14 and returning on 1/4/14.
- Joleen Knotts and 5 FCCLA students to attend the National FCCLA Cluster Meeting in Ashville & Charlotte, North Carolina; leaving on 11/20/13 and returning on 11/24/13.
- Donna Tanner, Kari Zengerling and the Chorus & Drama Group to attend the Music and Drama Festival in New York City; leaving on 3/19/14 and returning on 3/23/14.

Additional

- Roy Johnson and 3 FFA members going to State Soil judging contest in Miami County, Indiana; leaving 10/25/13 and returning on 10/26/13.
- Krista Hutzal, Pam Donahue and 19 members of the ECHS Student Council to attend the 2013 IASC Student Council State Convention in Indianapolis; leaving 10/26/13 and returning 10/27/13.

Board members asked that the sponsors be reminded of the due dates for the Board meetings.

Dr. Hendrix recommended that the Board approve, with one motion and one vote, Consent Agenda Items 6.1 through and including 6.4 as presented.

Mr. Norman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Burress, to approve the consent agenda items as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness moved to Action Items.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris recommended that the board approve the Emergency Oxygen as presented by Nurse Slayback, but for all schools.

Mr. Scholl made a motion, seconded by Mr. McKay, to approve the use of Emergency Oxygen as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mr. Blake.

Mr. Blake recommended that the Board approve the 2014 Budget as advertised.

Mr. Graf made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scholl, to approve the 2014 Budget as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Blake recommended that the Board approve the adoption of the 2014 CPF (Capital Projects Fund) as advertised.

Mr. Burress made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Huffman, to approve the 2014 CPF as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Blake recommended that the Board approve the Bus Replacement Plan and Resolution as advertised.

Mr. Graf made a motion, seconded by Mr. Norman, to approve the Bus Replacement Plan as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Blake explained, and recommended for approval, the Pension Bond Neutralization Resolution.

Mr. Scholl made a motion, seconded by Mr. Burress, to approve the Pension Bond Neutralization Resolution as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Blake recommended for approval the Refinancing of the Pension Bond.

Mr. McKay made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Huffman, to approve the Refinancing of the Pension Bond as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Lyness recognized Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris presented the extension of Bus #3 due to road not being assigned to a route.

Mr. Graf made a motion, seconded by Mr. Burress, to approve the Bus #3 Route Extension as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Harris asked the board for permission to submit a 2-year (2014-2015 and 2015-2016) school calendar. He explained that other area schools do this for convenience to the staff, faculty, and parents.

Mr. Lyness agreed and approved to accept the submission of a 2-year school calendar and to put it in front of the faculty discussion group.

Mr. Blake reviewed the Financial Report for September 2013 and the 3rd quarter 2013. He also stated that at the November Board meeting he would ask for Additional Appropriations for Debt Service Fund.

Mr. Lyness asked for public comments. There were no comments.

Mr. Lyness asked for comments from the S-DEA. There were no comments.

Mr. Lyness asked the Board to comment on any items of interest.

Mr. Norman stated, with all of the presentations tonight, we are beginning to see the effects of the Strategic Planning program taking hold.

Mr. Lyness recognized Dr. Hendrix.

Dr. Hendrix wanted to commend and express his thanks to the principals for their presentations on the ISTEP results. In using the data warehouse tool, a teacher is able to get information about a student, historical as well as present. In turn, this will build a history from K to 12th grade, and may be useful for colleges in the future.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Lyness asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Norman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Graf, to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm EST. The motion carried by voice vote.