
Sheridan Community Schools

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Dr. Derek Arrowood, Superintendent

APPROVED MINUTES

The Board of School Trustees met in a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, September 10, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the Sheridan High School Multi-Purpose Room with board members Mark Durr, Judy Stoops, Ken Noe, Dian Christy Hiatt, Greg Willett, Superintendent Derek Arrowood, and Attorneys Jack Hittle and Alex Pinegar present.

The next regular school board meeting will be Monday, October 8, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the Sheridan High School Multi-Purpose Room, 24185 N. Hinesley Road, Sheridan, IN 46069.

2. **Call to Order** – President Mark Durr called the regular board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and started the pledge and Brooke Hendricks gave the invocation.
3. **Agenda Revisions** – Under New Business, Item 10f-New Building Project, “Resolution to accept Patron Petitions and proceed with Financing” was added to the agenda.

4. **Special Recognition – President Durr**

Student of the Month – September

Adams Elementary – Kent Hollingsworth
Middle School – Lauren Nehrig
High School – Jennifer McNeely
(not in attendance)

5. **Public Participation**

Ed Melshen wanted to thank the cafeteria ladies for serving cookies (especially the ones with raisins) for the patrons at the board meeting.

Jack Hittle wanted to introduce to the public the members of the School Building Corporation Committee, Marty Samuels, Alan Quick, and Alan Lyons. He shared that their next meeting would be on Wednesday, September 19 at 3:00 p.m.

Bart Grinstead and Sarah Kubina both shared that they fully support the churches views and recommend the selling of Marion Elementary to Christ Covenant Church.

Mr. Mark Melton with Christ Covenant Church read a letter that represented the views of church in support of the board choosing their bid on the purchasing of Marion Elementary. Included in the board binder is a copy of the letter.

6. **Consent Agenda**

- a. Minutes of the 8/13/2007 Regular Board Meeting

A motion to approve minutes of the 8/13/07 Regular Board Meeting was made by Dian Christy Hiatt and seconded by Ken Noe. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Minutes of the 8/6/2007 Public Work Session

A motion to approve minutes of the 8/6/07 Public Work Session was made by Greg Willett and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion carried 2-0. (3 members abstained due to absence)

- c. Minutes of the 8/21/07 Public Work Session

A motion to approve minutes of the 8/6/07 Public Work Session was made by Judy Stoops and seconded by Dian Christy Hiatt. The motion carried 4-0. (Ken Noe abstained due to absence)

- d. Approval to pay Accounts Payable Ledger
e. Approve Fundraiser – Sunshine Society selling tickets to the Corn Maze at Stuckey Farm.

A motion to approve payment of the Accounts Payable Ledger, approve the Fundraiser was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Dian Christy Hiatt. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Personnel

Resignations: Robyn Edwards – gave written notice on August 20, 2007 that she is resigning from her position as bus driver for Sheridan Community Schools effective August 20, 2007. (\$11,673.48/yr.)

Retirements:

Requested Leaves: Mary Harmon – gave written notice that she needs to take medical leave from her position as cafeteria worker @ SMS/SHS effective until 8/27/08. (\$10.96/hr.)

Recommendations for Employment:

Cheryl Hale – Instructional Assistant @ SMS for the 2007-2008 school year. (\$11.15/hr. for 180 days) *Erin Silvey's previous position, \$11.07/hr.)

Kay Harris – Bus Aide for SCS for the 2007- 2008 school year. (\$8,094.60/yr.) *Betty Moore's previous position, \$29.98/daily rate, plus ½ route New Position \$14.99/daily rate.

Ron Fisher – Bus Driver for SCS for the 2007-2008 school year. (\$11,171.00/yr.) *Robyn Edwards position, \$11,673.48/yr.

Denny Cummings – Juvenile Detention Center Bus Driver for SCS for the 2007-2008 school year. New Position \$59.46/daily rate.

Dick Tompkins – Bus Driver for SCS for the 2007-2008 school year. \$59.46/daily rate (After completion of his training and he assumes Eric Becks Position).

Robert Snedaker – Sub Bus Aide. When he works he will make \$29.98/daily rate.

Coaching Recommendations:

Brian Jones – Asst. Varsity Coach for Boys Basketball (\$3,866.00)
Jason Bales – Jr. Varsity Coach for Boys Basketball (\$3,866.00)
Matt Britt – Freshman Coach for Boys Basketball (\$2,216.00)
John Perrine: 8th grade Coach for Boys Basketball (\$2,050.00)
Brian Zachery: 7th grade Coach for Boys Basketball (\$1,708.00)
Nick Christy: 6th grade Coach for Boys Basketball (\$731.00)
Jeff Guenther: Varsity Coach for Girls Basketball (\$8,377.00)
Derek Delph: 8th grade Coach for Girls Basketball (\$2,050.00)
Rob Williamson: Varsity Coach for Wrestling (\$4,150.00)
Nick Trabant: Assistant Coach for Wrestling (\$2,050.00)

A motion to accept the Personnel Report as presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion carried 5-0.

8. Reports: Monthly Updates

- ***Educational Initiatives in SCS – SMS, Science***
 - a. ***Kurt Olsan***

SCS Science Teacher Mr. Kurt Olsan introduced Curtis Moore, Lindsey Kercheval and Morgan Hiatt. The Science Dept. reported on the “Helicopter Happening”. Attached you will find a copy of the handout used for their presentation.

- Schmidt/Envoy Construction Report – Tom Neff and Jason Jeffries
Tabled until discussion with Item 10 E.
- Sodexho Facility Report – Derek Arrowood (Jeff Dittimore absent)

Dr. Arrowood shared that on Monday, September 10th the State Board of Health visited Adams Elementary. Ron Clark with the Health Department collected air samples in the Kindergarten, 2nd and 4th grade classrooms as well as the gym for an Air Quality Test. The tests all came back clean. Discussion on plans with Jeff Dittimore of Sodexho on the future snow removal is being planned. Also included in the board binder is the copy of the handout Mr. Dittimore would have used if he had been in attendance.

- Power Plan Report – Derek Arrowood

Report has been postponed due to the scheduling conflict with Dr. Al Long. The meeting has been rescheduled for October 8 at 6:00 pm.

Mr. Kent Harris met with the Kiwanis in August which is part of the strategic plan.

The committee is working on the new standardized report cards for the SMS/SHS. Mrs. Hiatt would like to see technology purchased to have grades available on line for parents.

9. Old Business

10. New Business

- a. Adoption of 2007 Budget, Capital Projects, and Bus Replacement Plans
- Resolution -4-2007

A motion to accept the Resolution -4-2007, Adoption of 2007 Budget, Capital Projects, and Bus Replacement as presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion was carried 4-1.

2008-2010 Capital Projects Plan

- Resolution – 5-2007

A motion to accept the Resolution -5-2007, 2008-2010 Capital Projects Plans presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion carried 5-0.

2008-2017 Bus Replacement Plan

- Resolution -6-2007

A motion to accept the Resolution -6-2007, 2008-2017 Bus Replacement Plan presented was made by Dian Christy Hiatt and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution to authorize lowering of individual fund and total tax rates and/or cuts in appropriations as deemed necessary by Department of Local Government finance review of the Sheridan Community Schools budget.

- Resolution – 7-2007

A motion to accept the Resolution -7-2007, Resolution to authorize lowering of individual fund and total tax rates and/or cuts in appropriations as deemed necessary by Department of Local Government finance review of the Sheridan Community Schools budget presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Dian Christy Hiatt. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. Accept Donations

Marty Samuels of Samuels Sign Company donated a banner to the SMS. The banner advertised the “theme” of the 2007-2008 school year. The cost to Samuels Sign Company was in excess of \$100.00. We truly appreciate Mr. & Mrs. Samuels and their contribution to the school. Also included is the letter of appreciation from Mrs. Jane Newblom.

A motion to accept the Donation as presented was made by Dian Christy Hiatt and seconded by Ken Noe. The motion was carried 5-0

- c. 1st Reading of Board Policy Updates
- BOARD POLICY UPDATES
8330 – Student Records

- d. Auction of Marion Elementary – Jack Hittle
- Approval Of Bid

During the acceptance period of closed bids, a bid was received from Christ Covenant Church in the amount of \$125,000.00. A second bid was received from Gregg Roberts with Great American Rentals in the amount of \$200,000.00.

An oral auction was held on September 8, 2007 at 10:00 am. in the multi-purpose room of Sheridan High School. Oral completion of bids for Marion Elementary was from Christ Covenant Church in the amount of \$200,000.00 without contingencies and from Gregg Roberts with Great American Rentals in the amount of \$210,000.00 with zoning contingency. Mr. Hittle advised the board that they could accept one bid or deny both. After much heart felt discussion the board decided to accept the bid from Christ Covenant Church.

A motion to accept the bid from Christ Covenant Church for the purchase of Marion Elementary as presented was made by Greg Willett and seconded by Dian Christy Hiatt. The motion was carried 4-1.

- e. SCS Building Project – Envoy & Schmidt Associates
- Approval of Schematic Design

Tom Neff and Jason Jeffries discussed at length their presentation of Schematic Design and projected figures of the building of the new Sheridan Elementary School. I have included in the board binder copies of the power point presentation used during the discussion.

A motion to approve the Schematic Design as presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion was carried 3-2.

- f. New Building Project
- “Resolution to accept Patron Petitions and proceed with Financing”

Petitions have been signed by 70 patrons. These petitions will be presented to the DLGF (tax board) to show the support for a new elementary. There are 3 resolutions to be presented to the board and each need board approval. Included in the board binder is the handout presented by Mr. Hittle.

- 1) Exhibit A – Patrons’ Petition Resolution

A motion to approve Exhibit A – Patrons’ Petition Resolution as presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion carried 5-0.

- 2) Exhibit B – Resolution Approving Building Corporation

A motion to approve Exhibit B –Resolution Approving Building Corporation as presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion carried 4-1.

3) Exhibit C – Resolution Approving Form of Lease

A motion to approve Exhibit C – Resolution Approving Form of Lease as presented was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Judy Stoops. The motion carried 5-0.

11. Public Participation

- a. Patron Comments – No Comments made

12. Board Statements of Appreciation and Recognition

Mark Durr – I would like to thank our SCS Board of Trustees for their professionalism on the way they handled themselves when making difficult decisions with such a positive attitude!

13. Next Regular Meeting, October 8, 2007 @ 7:30 PM- SHS Multi-Purpose Room.

Adjournment –The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 p.m. Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Ken Noe and seconded by Dian Christy Hiatt. This motion carried 5-0.

The board meeting sign-in sheet carried the names of: Ed Melshen, Vance Wallace, Jane Newblom, Sara Kubina, John Wall, Tim Baker, Alan Quick, Bob Roaten, Jason Elmore, James Bary, Bryan McCarty, Mark Melton, Nick Hill, Hollingsworth family, Ron Borre, Laura Laver, Bart Grinstead, Laura Oberthur Johnson, Greg Landis, Mike Gilbert, Dean Welbaum, Kent Harris, and Kim Childers were in attendance.

Mark Durr, School Board President

Judy Stoops, Member

Greg Willett, Vice-President

Ken Noe, Board Member

Dian Christy Hiatt, Secretary