

**SPRINGS VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2009**

Executive Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Executive Session at 5:00 PM on Monday, February 9, 2009 in the Learning Center Board Room. The following were present: Mr. Todd Marshall, Mr. Larry Pritchett, Mrs. Deborah Brothers, Mr. Willard Owen, Mr. Kevin Allstott, and Mr. Tony Galloway. Mr. Todd Pritchett was also in attendance. Board member Mr. Eddie Kellams was absent.

During the Executive Session, the Board discussed strategy with respect to collective bargaining, received information about prospective employees, and discussed individuals over whom the governing body has jurisdiction. No subject matters were discussed in the Executive Session other than the subject matters specified in the public notice.

Regular Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Regular Session at 6:00 PM in the Learning Center Board Room. All of the above were present, as well as Mrs. Kathy Allstott and Mrs. Edith Pinnick.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Marshall, with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Mr. Owen made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 19th, 2009 Board Meeting. Mrs. Brothers seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Marshall stated that board member Mr. Eddie Kellams was absent from the meeting.

Mr. Owen motioned to approve the vouchers and claims as presented. Mr. Allstott seconded. The motion then carried 6-0.

All 9th through 12th grade students were guests of Mr. Bill Cook at the French Lick Resort on February 3rd. Mr. Todd Pritchett advised that career fair booths were set up with information on employment opportunities, Mr. Cook addressed the student body, and attendees were then treated to a buffet lunch. He stated that this was a wonderful opportunity for our students, and expressed gratitude to Mr. Cook and the hotel staff.

Mr. Marshall acknowledged that he had recently attended the National School Board Association meeting in Washington, D.C. as a representative for the 9th District. The focus of the meeting was on the proposed stimulus package regarding No Child Left Behind and Title I monies.

Mr. Tony Whitaker arrived.

No patrons addressed the Board.

Mr. Todd Pritchett recommended hiring Miss Rebecca Beatty to replace Ms. Susie Owen who resigned as a Title I aide. Mr. Larry Pritchett so moved. Mr. Galloway seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett advised that Mrs. Heather Tucker has requested permission to use 3½ personal days and 1½ days off without pay April 20th through 24th to attend a business meeting with her husband, and recommended approval of the request. Mrs. Brothers so moved, and Mr. Allstott seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Whitaker stated that the elementary math bowl team is preparing for their upcoming competition, and a visit by President Abraham Lincoln is planned for tomorrow.

Discussion was held regarding the issue of forced school consolidation. Mr. Todd Pritchett stated that two different bills have been introduced on the matter. He provided information and research data to board members. Mrs. Brothers made a motion to adopt the Resolution Concerning Forced Consolidation, as prepared by Mr. Todd Pritchett. Mr.

Owen seconded the motion. Further discussion was held. Patron Jimmy Tolbert spoke briefly on this matter. The resolution was then adopted by the vote of 6-0. (copy attached)

Mr. John Hawkins of Kovert-Hawkins Architects addressed the Board, reviewing the proposed renovations project and presented drawings of such. Board members discussed the matter. Mr. Todd Pritchett recommended employing Kovert-Hawkins to move forward with phase 1 of items 1 through 7, the interior items. Mr. Larry Pritchett made the motion to begin the renovations project on items 1 through 7 of the original proposal, and to bid the front vestibule improvements as a separate item. Mr. Owen seconded the motion. The matter was again discussed, and Mr. Larry Pritchett requested an alternate bid for new urinals. The motion then carried 6-0.

Under New Business, Mr. Todd Pritchett stated that Springs Valley Schools could receive a total of \$686,900 over the next two years in funding from the Federal Stimulus Package. These monies would be for Title I, construction, and IDEA (Special Needs) funding. He advised that he will keep the Board informed on the progress of this legislation.

The elementary cafeteria/gymnasium folding doors are not working properly, and Mr. Todd Pritchett stated that Mr. Jerry Zehr is working to obtain quotes for repair or replacement of the doors.

Mr. Todd Pritchett informed the Board that the five missed school days will be made up on February 16th, and May 21st, 22nd, 26th, and 27th, with May 28th as the last teacher day.

Review of the Pool Rental policy and rates was held, and Mr. Todd Pritchett recommended adoption of the revised policy as presented. Mrs. Brothers so moved, and Mr. Galloway seconded. The motion passed 6-0. (copy attached)

Mr. Kevin Knies has requested permission for FFA students to attend the National Farm Machinery and Tractor Pull in Louisville, Kentucky on February 11th and 12th. Mr. Todd Pritchett stated this would be two daily trips, and recommended approval. Mr. Larry Pritchett so moved. Mr. Galloway then seconded, and the motion was approved 6-0.

With no other business, Mr. Larry Pritchett motioned to adjourn at 7:03. Mrs. Brothers seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.

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