

**SPRINGS VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016**

Executive Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Executive Session at 5:00 PM on Monday, September 12, 2016 in the Learning Center Board Room. The following were present: Mrs. Cheryl Lynch, Dr. Ryan Carnes, Mr. Ralph Purkhiser, Mr. Kevin Allstott, Mrs. Linda Carnes, Mr. Tony Galloway, and Mrs. Jennifer Shipman. Mr. Tony Whitaker was also in attendance. Mrs. Amy Bollinger, Director of South Central Area Special Education Cooperative, was also present for a portion of the Executive Session.

All board members and Mr. Whitaker returned to Executive Session following the Regular Session, and dismissed at 7:55 PM.

During the Executive Sessions, the Board received information about prospective employees, and discussed job performance evaluation, collective bargaining, personnel, and litigation. No subject matters were discussed in the Executive Sessions other than the subject matters specified in the public notice.

Regular Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Regular Session at 6:07 PM in the Learning Center Board Room. All board members and Mr. Whitaker were present, as well as Mrs. Kathy Allstott and Mrs. Peggy Simmons.

Mrs. Lynch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Minutes for the August 8th and August 24th, 2016 board meetings were approved with a motion by Mr. Galloway, and second by Mr. Allstott. The motion passed 7-0.

Vouchers and claims were approved as presented, with a motion by Mr. Galloway. Mr. Purkhiser seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Grandparents Day was celebrated last week at the elementary school. Mr. Whitaker thanked everyone involved, especially the cafeteria workers, as the event was very successful with many grandparents visiting our school.

Mr. Whitaker reported the Girls Golf team will be competing in sectional play at Otis Park in Bedford this Saturday, September 17th.

The Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay will be held in Orange County this Wednesday. Mrs. Helen Aylsworth and family will carry the torch on College Street, and then pass the torch to former teacher/coach Mr. Bill Harris, who will carry the torch down Larry Bird Boulevard.

No patrons addressed the board.

Mr. Whitaker presented the following athletic coaches as recommended by Mr. Mark Hammond for the fall/winter season: Girls Basketball – Joe Crow (8th grade), Anna Galloway and Riley Widdifield (co-7th grade), Tara Allstott (6th grade), Barry Wilson (5th grade), and Chris Burton (volunteer high school), and Boys Basketball – Devon Harrell (8th grade), Kyle Crews (7th grade), Jeremy Reynolds (6th grade), and Randy Chaplin (5th grade). Mr. Galloway made the motion to employ coaches as recommended. Mr. Purkhiser seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Whitaker gave a brief overview of the current building projects, stating that the high school gym HVAC and lighting projects in the gyms and cafeteria are winding down, and we are waiting on punch lists for the projects to be finished. Mr. Scott Stenftenagel of Stenftenagel Group will be at next month's meeting to begin the process for our pool area improvements to take place next summer. Discussion was held on the lighting and air conditioning projects.

Continuing with the policy updates with NEOLA, Mr. Whitaker advised that we are ready to adopt our third group of policies that include numbers 2370 through 3120.08. The first drafts of these policies were provided to board members at the August 8th meeting. He recommended adoption of policy numbers 130, 160, 1231, and 1241 as well, which had previously been presented and have now been revised. Mr. Whitaker also provided the first draft of policy numbers 3120.01 through 4000, for approval at the October 10th meeting. Discussion was then held on the matter, including state-required policies, prioritizing of policies to avoid duplication, and the time frame for working with Dr. Halik. Mr. Whitaker then recommended adoption of policy numbers 130, 160, 1231, and 1241 as presented at the June and July board meetings. Mr. Purkhiser so moved, and Mrs. Shipman seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Galloway made a motion to approve the overnight field trip for FFA students to attend the National Convention to be held in Indianapolis on October 19 to 21. Mr. Allstott seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Whitaker requested permission to advertise for bids on the 1995 semi truck, stating that bids will be due back on October 7th and will be opened at the October 10th board meeting. Mr. Galloway so moved. Mr. Allstott seconded the motion, and the motion was approved 7-0.

Mr. Whitaker presented the 2017 budget for adoption. He stated that permission to advertise the budget was granted at the August 8th board meeting. The Capital Projects Fund Notice and School Bus Replacement Notice to Taxpayers were published in the August 10th newspaper, and the Form 3 has been published on Gateway making the budget process compliant with the Department of Local Government Finance. A public hearing as required by law was conducted at the August 24th special board meeting, allowing for public questions and comments. Mr. Whitaker requested approval of the 2017 budget as advertised and all required resolutions. Mr. Allstott motioned to adopt all required documents and resolutions for the 2017 budget, and Mr. Galloway seconded. With no discussion, the motion carried 7-0. Board members then signed three copies of the required documents and resolutions for the 2017 budgets. (copies attached)

Mrs. Lynch advised that the board would be returning to Executive Session.

With no other business before the board, Mrs. Carnes motioned to adjourn. Mrs. Shipman seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM.
