

**SPRINGS VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
DECEMBER 13, 2010**

Executive Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Executive Session at 5:00 PM on Monday, December 13, 2010 in the Learning Center Board Room. The following were present: Mr. Todd Marshall, Mr. Ralph Purkhiser, Mrs. Cheryl Lynch, Mr. Kevin Allstott, Mr. Tony Galloway, Mr. Larry Kalb, and Mr. Eddie Kellams. Mr. Todd Pritchett and Mr. J.C. Tucker were also in attendance.

A second Executive Session was held, and dismissed at 9:30 PM. All board members, Mr. Todd Pritchett, and Mrs. Kathy Allstott were present. Mr. Jason Russell, Mrs. Beth Cave, and Mrs. Amy Orr were present for a portion of the meeting.

During the Executive Sessions, the Board discussed strategy with respect to collective bargaining, initiation of litigation and pending litigation, implementation of security systems, purchase or lease of real property, received information about prospective employees, discussed individuals over whom the governing body has jurisdiction, and interviewed industrial or commercial prospects. 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 6:16 PM in the Learning Center Board Room. All board members, and Mr. Todd Pritchett, as well as Mrs. Kathy Allstott and Mrs. Edith Pinnick were present.

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

Minutes of the November 8th, 2010 board meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Purkhiser and seconded by Mr. Kellams. The motion passed 6-0-1, with Mr. Galloway abstaining due to not being in attendance. Mr. Galloway motioned to approve the December 7th, 2010 minutes, and Mr. Allstott seconded. The motion carried by the vote of 5-0-2, with Mr. Marshall and Mr. Purkhiser abstaining due to not being in attendance for the entire meeting.

Mr. Galloway motioned to approve the vouchers and claims as presented. Mr. Purkhiser seconded, and the motion carried 7-0.

Mrs. Allstott requested special permission to pay invoices as received for the remainder of December, 2010 subject to approval by Mr. Todd Pritchett. Mr. Galloway so moved, and Mrs. Lynch seconded. The motion was approved 7-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett advised that five high school students had advanced to the state FFA forestry competition held recently.

On behalf of the Springs Valley Education Foundation, Mr. Marshall thanked board members for their support at the Hall of Fame Induction ceremony.

No patrons addressed the board at this time, but Mr. Marshall advised the persons who had signed up to speak would be allowed to speak later in the meeting during specified topic discussions.

Mr. Kalb motioned to approve Mr. Doug Partenheimer as Varsity Boys Baseball Coach, as recommended by Mr. Troy Pritchett and Mr. Mark Hammond. Mr. Galloway seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett recommended approval of Mrs. Sharon Burton's request for an unpaid leave of absence to complete her student teaching requirements. Mr. Galloway so moved, and Mr. Allstott seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held regarding the possible improvements to the band room, bleachers, and concession/public restroom areas. Mr. Pritchett advised that the project could be

paid for from Capital Projects and Casino Revenue Funds, eliminating any need for financial bonding. Mr. Purkhiser made a motion to direct Kovert/Hawkins Architects to proceed with the scope of the entire project as discussed. Mrs. Lynch seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett recommended that the corporation take over bus route number 12 and accept bids for a driver as an independent contractor for 2011. Discussion included opening the route up again for bids, and the need to purchase another bus. Mr. Purkhiser made the motion as recommended. Mr. Allstott seconded. Further discussion was held. The motion then passed 5-2, with Mr. Kellams and Mrs. Lynch voting in the negative.

Mr. Trevor Apple provided information regarding the Response to Instruction (RtI) curriculum, and stated the RtI team has requested the purchase of software for teachers to use for monitoring student progress. The one-time purchase of approximately \$105,000 to \$110,000 includes the Burst: Reading by Wireless Generation, Read 180 and System 44 by Scholastic, NCS Pearson AIMSweb, and ALEKS Corporation, along with annual subscription fees of \$17,000 to \$20,000. Mr. Apple also requested the option to purchase Burst: Reading for additional grade levels. Mr. Todd Pritchett advised the software purchase would be paid for by Casino Revenue funds, and the annual subscriptions would be paid from Capital Projects. Mr. Purkhiser made the motion to approve the purchase of the requested software, and Mr. Allstott seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Galloway made a motion to approve Mr. J.C. Tucker's contract as school attorney at the current rate. Mr. Kalb seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett recommended entering into a contract with Southern Indiana Wellness Trust with United HealthCare as the initial provider, allowing employees to choose from three plan options. Mr. Allstott so moved, and Mr. Marshall seconded. Discussion followed, including the deadline for enrollment, presentation of the State Insurance Plan and possible savings, and teachers' preferences. A vote was then taken, and the motion did not pass by the count of 3-4, with Mr. Galloway, Mr. Kalb, Mr. Kellams, and Mr. Purkhiser voting in the negative.

Mr. Marshall then directed Mr. Todd Pritchett to go back to the insurance carriers for additional information. Mr. Jason Russell was instructed to return to members of the teachers' association for a re-vote after providing members with additional information on the state plan. Mr. Galloway moved to schedule a board meeting on Thursday, the 16<sup>th</sup> of December with an executive session at 5:00 and regular session at 6:00. Mrs. Lynch seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett requested approval of replacing 16 interior/exterior doors and frames for the quote price of \$45,500 by Keusch Glass, with payment from Capital Projects. He stated that when checking with contractors for quotes on the project, they referred him to Keusch Glass. Mr. Kellams requested that additional quotes be obtained on future projects. Mr. Galloway moved to do the project as presented. Mr. Kellams seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Roger Fisher spoke on behalf of the Springs Valley Education Foundation, and requested a donation of up to \$25,000 in matching funds. Discussion was held, including the timeline of awarding scholarships. Mr. Kalb made a motion to approve up to \$25,000 in matching funds for the period of November 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011. Mr. Kellams seconded, and the motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Marshall reminded board members that they would be reconvening into executive session.

With no other business before the board, Mr. Kellams motioned to adjourn. Mr. Kalb seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

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