

**Scott County School District 2  
School Board of Education Meeting  
Scottsburg Middle School Band Room  
425 South Third Street  
Scottsburg, IN 47170**

**Board Minutes  
October 27, 2015**

**Executive Session - 5:00 p.m.**

- I. IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (2) For discussion of strategy with respect to: (C) The implementation of security systems; (3) For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety measures, plans and systems; (6) with respect to any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction; (9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of an individual employee.

The Executive Session convened at 5:00 p.m. with all members present along with Dr. Slaton. There was no subject discussed other than that specified on the agenda. The meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

**Regular Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.**

- I. Call to Order  
President Kendall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Recognition of Visitors  
None
- IV. Superintendent's Report  
A. Recognition  
1. Middle School Art Gallery Walk  
Ms. Nass welcomed the Board and presented SMS Art teacher, Ms. Brett Owen, who introduced seventh grade art students Scott Arbuckle, Avery Kendall, Treyton Caudell, Caitlyn Whobrey, and Logan Weilbaker. The students took those in attendance on a tour of the SMS hallways where different art projects were on display. They each described the various forms of art, explained the process of creating the different pieces, and entertained questions from the crowd. The students

did an excellent job and were all very professional and knowledgeable about their subject.

2. SMS Apple Distinguished Award 2015-2017

Dr. Slaton announced that Scottsburg Middle School was again recognized and given the honor of being identified as an Apple Distinguished Program for 2015 to 2017. He congratulated Ms. Nass, the SMS staff, IT department and e-Learning team. Ms. Nass added that the middle school was very excited, proud & looking forward to the District being an honoree in the future.

Dr. Slaton was also notified recently that Scottsburg Elementary was granted a National Honor Society Charter and congratulated the SES team for this outstanding accomplishment.

B. Scott County Economic Annual Dinner

Dr. Slaton reported that he was able to represent Scott 2 at the Scott County Economic Development Commission's Annual Dinner as one of seven presenters with the theme being "What is Good in Scott County." Dr. Slaton noted that he was very excited to share the Scott 2 story with our community and

even

some regional representatives from Kentuckiana. Staffers from Senator Donnelly's office and

Congressman

Young's office as well as our area's State Representative, Dr. Terry Goodin, were in attendance. Mr.

Mays

added that he was able to attend the event and that Dr. Slaton and his team did a wonderful job with their presentation and the marketing video was great. Everyone who contributed was to be congratulated.

C. [Virtual School Report](#)

The Virtual School Report was provided for review.

D. Payroll Update

Dr. Slaton reported that the CTA had signed a letter of assurance agreeing to the delay of the December 31 payroll to January 4 in order to keep 26 pay periods in the 2015 calendar year.

V. Consideration of Modification to the Agenda and Approval

Dr. Slaton asked permission to modify the agenda as follows 1) add StormWind IT Training Invoice and 2) remove the Support Staff Recommendation of Clyde Caudill as Substitute Band Semi Driver. Mr. Mays made a motion to approve the agenda with modifications. Mrs. Roberts seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

VI. Consideration of Board Minutes

Mrs. Soloe made a motion to approve the minutes of the [October 6, 2015](#) Board meeting as presented. Mr. Mays seconded and motion carried 4-0. (Mrs. Roberts was unable to attend that meeting.)

VII. Financial Considerations

A. [Expenditure Summary](#)

B. Payroll Claims

1. [October 8, 2015](#)

2. [October 22, 2015](#)

C. Regular Claims

1. [September 28-30, 2015](#)

2. [October 1-2, 2015](#)

3. [October 5-9, 2015](#)

4. [October 27, 2015](#)

Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve all claims. Mr. Mays seconded and motion carried 5-0.

D. [Monthly Financial Report](#)

Ms. Sparkman provided the monthly financial report noting that gains were being made in the goal to increase the balance in the general fund. She also provided the official enrollment count from September as 2,607.

E. [Bank Reconciliation Summary](#)

The Board signed the monthly bank reconciliation summary for September 2015.

F. Permission to Accept & Award Quotes for LES Propane

1. Synergy

2. Ferrellgas

3. AmeriGas

Mr. Riley asked permission to accept the lowest bid between Synergy, Ferrellgas, and AmeriGas on Wednesday, October 28 as has been done in the past. He explained that gas prices change automatically

at midnight and quotes cannot be held. Mr. Mays made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Soloe. Motion carried 5-0.

G. Music Department Budgets - **Tabled**

1. [Winterguard Budget](#)

2. [Percussion Budget](#)

There were questions about the \$5,720 increase in the winterguard budget from last year. Ms. Sparkman

explained that most of the increase was due to items that will be funded out of CPF (tarps, paint and supplies). She also attributed some increase to the fact that more students are participating this year, they are planning to attend more competitions and ISSMA fees are based on the number of participants.

Mr. Kendall questioned why some groups pay for their own uniforms by fundraising and some ask for funds from the corporation. He stated that there should be more consistency with the ECA's. He also mentioned

that at one point all ECA travel was cut by 10 percent and lists of all travel submitted for approval to the Board. He stated that travel expenses should also be considered. He questioned allotting so much money to one group of kids when we don't do that for any other group.

Mrs. Roberts also expressed concern about the inconsistency and added that some of the girls in band are

paying for very specific and expensive make up for each different season out of their own pockets. She questioned whether some of these practices were “over the top” and if we could not find ways to be more economical.

Mr. Kendall asked for a comparison of monies provided to band and to the other ECA's. He also requested

a breakdown of the entire music department budget in order to see the whole picture at once (show choir, percussion, winterguard, band and anything else that could come up in regard to the music department).

Mrs. Roberts made a motion to table both budgets pending more information and evaluation. Mrs. Soloe seconded and motion to table carried 5-0.

H. [Safety Discussion- Keyless Entry- FY15 Safety Grant - Denied](#)  
[Enterprise Technical Solutions Access Control System Plan](#) (Quotes accepted 5-26-15)

[Scottsburg High School](#)

[New Tech Building](#)

[Scottsburg Middle School](#)

[Scottsburg Elementary School](#)

[Johnson Elementary School](#)

[Lexington Elementary School](#)

[Vienna-Finley Elementary School](#)

[Meyer Gym](#)

Security Pros (Quote accepted 10-6-15)

[Quote Packet](#)

[Summary Sheet](#)

Dr. Slaton wanted to make the Board aware of his findings in regard to whether it was allowable to request

a grant to help pay the yearly \$6,000 cost of the proposed keyless entry system. He found that it was allowable, which could change the yearly cost to Scott 2 to approximately \$3,000. He added that this cost could also be broken down by building and paid through their CPF accounts if needed. Dr. Slaton

remarked

that safety specialists agreed that this was a step Scott 2 should take and that he felt it was perfect timing with 50% of the cost grant-funded and the balance paid with the remainder of the 2013 safety bond. He added that he didn't know if a system like this could ever be purchased without all of this falling into place. Mrs. Soloe made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Kendall. Motion failed 2-3 with the remainder of

the

Board voting against the motion.

I. [Rainy Day Transfer Resolution](#)

Ms. Sparkman asked the Board to authorize the annual resolution to move \$75,000 to the Rainy Day fund.

- J. [Resolution to Reduce 2015 General Fund Budget](#)  
Ms. Sparkman asked the Board to authorize a resolution to move unused 2015 funds to the 2016 budget.
- K. StormWind IT Training \$3,625 - **Added 10-26-15**  
Mr. Mays made a motion to approve Items I, J, and K. Mrs. Roberts seconded and motion carried 5-0.

VIII. Operations

A. Personnel Recommendations

- 1. Resignation(s)
  - a. [Barry Bowling - SMS 5.5 Hour Custodian](#)
- 2. Certified Staff Recommendation(s)
  - a. [Adjustment to Jordan Warner's Contract](#)
- 3. Support Staff Recommendation(s)
  - a. [Clyde Caudill - Substitute Band Semi Driver - Removed 10-27-15](#)
  - b. [Jim Lewis - SCSD2 5.5 Hour Maintenance](#)

*Mr. Moore asked to vote on Items 4 (d) and (e) separately.* Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve Items 1, 2, and 3. Mr. Mays seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- 4. Professional Leave Request(s)
  - a. [Scott Borden, Erick Lizenby & Bobby Doriot - HECC Conference, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 11-13](#)
  - b. [Eric Copple - HECC Conference, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 11-12](#)
  - c. [Bob Riley, Rick Zollman, Polly Higgins, Travis Miles, Bobby Miles, Katy Madden, & Ed Cozart - Kenway Expo, Louisville, KY, Nov. 12](#)

Mrs. Roberts made a motion to approve Items a, b, and c. Mr. Mays seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- d. [Marc Slaton, Kristin Nass, Bobby Doriot & Shawna Slaton - Apple Research Initiative, Sunnyvale, CA, Dec. 7-9](#)

Mr. Mays made a motion to approve Item (d). Mrs. Soloe seconded and motion carried 4-1. (Mr. Moore voted against)

- e. [Leigh Anne Peterson - ISNA State Conference, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 5-6](#)

Mr. Mays made a motion to approve Item (e). Mrs. Soloe seconded and motion carried 3-2. (Mr. Moore

and

Mrs. Roberts voting against)

- f. [Lindsey Cazares - Maternity Leave - March 18 - End of School Year](#)
- g. [Amy Ault - Maternity Leave - March 18 - End of School Year](#)
- h. [Susan Cox - Medical Leave - November 9 - December 20](#)
- 5. [Permission to Post](#)
  - a. SMS 5.5 Hour Custodian
  - b. VFES Kindergarten Teacher (Maternity Leave March 18 - End of School Year)
  - c. VFES 2nd Grade Teacher (Maternity Leave March 18 - End of School Year)
  - d. VFES Kindergarten Aide 5.75 hours

Mr. Mays made a motion to approve Items 4 (f, g, and h) and Items 5 (a, b, c, and d). Mrs. Roberts seconded and motion carried 5-0.

IX. Curriculum, Instruction & Grants

- A. Permission to Apply
  - 1. [Digipalooza Summer of eLearning Grant for 2016](#)  
Mrs. Soloe made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Mays. Motion carried 5-0.

X. Policy

- A. [Annual Personal Leave Days - Second Reading](#)  
Mr. Mays made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Roberts. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. [Volunteers - First Reading](#)  
Dr. Slaton provided the policy regarding volunteers for a first reading.

- C. [SHS Student/Athlete Handbook Amendment - First Reading](#)  
Dr. Slaton provided an amendment to the SHS Student/Athlete Handbook for a first reading. He

explained

that based on recent knowledge of some athletes using performance enhancing powders, the SHS Administration would like to acknowledge that possession or use of such substances is not condoned by SHS or Scott 2. The FDA has warned against the use of these substances but they are not currently unlawful. The new language will allow some interventions if students are identified as engaging in such behaviors. He added that there are also plans to possibly have a mandatory “class” that student athletes participate in one night after school in their pre-season where multiple topics are addressed including, but not limited to, the use of performance enhancing substances, whether they are legal or not.

Mr. Kendall suggested that some of our coaches might relate well to the students rather than an outside entity and using the coaches would show that we are all on the same page and have the same goal. He also suggested addressing what is expected in regard to sportsmanship. Mr. Moore asked if middle school athletes would attend the mandatory class. It was felt that a separate meeting could be held for middle school students. Mr. Moore also suggested educating students on the dangers of performance enhancing drugs/powders as part of the curriculum in health class for all students.

XI. Other Business

- A. [2016 Board Meeting Dates](#)  
Dr. Slaton asked the Board to review a list of proposed dates for board meetings in 2016 to see if there are any conflicts. Mr. Moore asked that two meetings be scheduled in June and July, stating that they

- B. [Thank You Notes](#)  
Dr. Slaton shared thank you cards received for remembrances sent from SMS employees Veronica

Banda

and Sonia Banda-Law after the loss of their grandmother last month; retired SMS teacher Eldon Cutter who lost his wife; and from Board member Andrea Soloe after the loss of her uncle.

Dr. Slaton also invited the Board to the American Education Week Mixer that will be held on Wednesday, November 18th in the Commons at SHS. He stated that this is an opportunity to show appreciation for everything Scott 2 employees do for our students.

XII. Adjourn

Mr. Mays made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Mrs. Roberts seconded and motion carried 5-0.

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Jason Kendall, President

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Christy Roberts, Vice President

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Josh Mays, Secretary

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Ron Moore, Member

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Andrea Soloe, Member