

**Scott County School District 2  
School Board of Education Meeting  
Central Office Board Room  
375 East McClain Avenue  
Scottsburg, IN 47170**

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**Board Minutes**

**January 14, 2025**

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

For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems. (IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(3) A real property transaction by the governing body up to the time a contract or option is executed by the parties. This clause does not affect a political subdivision's duty to comply with any other statute that governs the conduct of the real property transaction, including IC 36-1-10 or IC 36-1-11 Collective Bargaining IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9)

The Executive Session began at 5:00 p.m. with all members present along with Dr. Slaton and Dr. Neukam. There was no subject discussed other than that specified on the agenda. The Executive Session ended at approximately 6:39 p.m.

**Reorganizational Meeting - 6:30 p.m.**

I. Call to Order

Dr. Slaton called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

II. Election of Board Officers

Dr. Slaton asked for nominations for Board President

Mrs. Soloe nominated Mrs. Craig. Mr. McIntosh nominated Mr. Zollman

Going in order of nominations, Mrs. Woods second Mrs. Soloe motion of Mrs. Craig as Board President. Votes were 3-0-2 Abstained

Mrs. Craig will be the Board President for 2025

Dr. Slaton asked for nominations for Vice President

Mr. McIntosh nominated Mr. Zollman. Mrs. Soloe nominated Mrs. Woods.

Going in order of nominations, Mr. Zollman 2nd himself for Vice President. Votes were 2-3

Mrs. Craig seconded Mrs. Woods nomination for Vice President. Votes were 3-2

Mrs. Woods will be the Board Vice President for 2025

Dr. Slaton asked for nomination for Secretary

Mrs. Soloe nominated Mr. Zollman, seconded by Mrs. Craig. Votes were 5-0

Mr. Zollman will be the Board Secretary for 2025

### III. Committee Appointments

#### A. ISBA Legislative Liaison (1)

Mrs. Craig has served in this capacity for several years and explained what it entailed. She enjoys this and would be glad to serve again if no others are interested. It was agreed that Mrs. Craig will serve as the ISBA Legislative Liaison.

#### B. Board of Finance (5)

All board members serve on the Board of Finance. However there is a President and Secretary and typically that role is filled with whomever is the President and Secretary of the School Board. It was agreed that Mrs. Craig would serve as the Board of Finance President and Mr. Zollman would serve as the Board of Finance Secretary.

#### C. Transportation Committee (2)

The board agreed that Mr. Zollman and Mr. McIntosh would serve on the Transportation Committee.

### IV. District Appointments

#### A. Corporation Treasurer Positions - Marc

Dr. Slaton recommended that the Board appoint Mrs. Casey Cheatham as Treasurer and Mrs. Tammy Mosier as District Extra-Curricular Account Treasurer.

#### B. Legal Services Contract - [Christa West](#)

Dr. Slaton recommended Mrs. Christa West as our local attorney from Houston, Thompson, and Lewis. Her fees will remain the same as last year, \$150.00 per hour.

Dr. Slaton recommends that we continue to use Michele Cooper with the law firm of Lewis & Kappes in Indianapolis on an "as-needed" basis.

#### C. Clerk to the Board

Dr. Slaton recommended that Mrs. Heather White be appointed to serve as Clerk to the Board.

#### D. Board Representative to Wilson Center and the Prosser School of Technology

The superintendent has traditionally served as the Board Representative to these 2 institutions and Dr. Slaton will continue to serve in this capacity if the Board desires.

### V. Board Member Compensation

Dr. Slaton recommend that as per State Statute, the Board members receive \$2,000 per year in compensation for their services, plus \$112 per regular meeting attended and \$62 per special meeting attended. Board members would continue to be paid quarterly.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion to approve all of the District Appointments, seconded by Mr. Zollman. Motion carried 5-0.

- VI. Adjourn  
The Reorganizational Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

**Board of Finance Meeting - Immediately Following the Reorganizational Meeting**

1. Elect a Board of Finance President and Secretary. (IC 5-13-7-6)  
*This was completed during the Reorganizational Meeting*
2. Review the district's [investment policy](#) and designate the financial institution(s) to serve as a depository of district funds. (IC 5-13-7-7)  
Dr. Slaton recommended continuing with WesBanco as the depository of district funds.  
Mr. Zollman made a motion to approve WesBanco, seconded by Mrs. Soloe. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Review the financial condition of the school district using the indicators determined under IC 20-19-7-4 by Indiana's fiscal and qualitative indicators committee. (IC 5-13-7-8)
  - A. DUAB School Corporation Fiscal Indicators Presentation and Discussion  
Dr. Neukam shared a slide show presentation from the DUAB (Distressed Units Appeal Board) showing the history of the district finances over the past several years. Dr. Neukam stated that all of this information is available on the DUAB website.

**Regular Board Meeting - Immediately following the Board of Finance Meeting**

- I. Call to Order  
Mrs. Craig called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Recognition of Visitors  
  
Mrs. Craig welcomed our two new Board members, Dustin McIntosh and Melissa Woods
- IV. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Enrollment Update  
Dr. Slaton shared our enrollment numbers and noted that the next ADM Count day will be February 1st. (February 3rd is actually the first school day of the month). The current enrollment including PreK is 2,564. The current enrollment excluding PreK is 2,458 which is a decrease of 3 students from the Fall 2024 ADM Count Day.
  - b. School Board Appreciation Month Recognition  
Dr. Slaton took a moment to recognize and thank our current and past school board members for their services.

The Indiana School Boards Association is thrilled to announce January 2025 as School Board Appreciation Month, a time to acknowledge the important contributions School Boards make to public education. School Board members are dedicated local leaders who give their personal time and energy to making decisions that support student success, and their commitment deserves recognition. So to our school board members, thank you for your commitment and leadership. So when you see one of these five people this month or any month for that matter, thank them for what they do for our schools, our staff, our students, and our community.

c. Student Recognition

Izabella 'Bella' Hall was runner-up at the inaugural IHSAA Girls Wrestling Sectional which qualified her for the IHSAA Regional at Mooresville. At Regional, she won her first match advancing her to the "Ticket Round" where she had an opportunity to advance to State. However she was defeated by one of the top ranked wrestlers in the state ending her season. A great achievement in the first year of the IHSAA tournament.

Ellie Richardson broke Former Miss Basketball Renee Westmoreland's 35 year old career assists record by recording her 442nd career assist on December 28th against Eastern (Pekin).

V. Consideration of Modification to the Agenda and Approval

Dr. Sltan asked permission to modify the agenda as follows:

Add:

1. [Kasey Comer - Extended Leave of Absence through March 21st.](#)
2. [Sandra Gibson - SHS 4 hr/182 days Cook Resignation](#)
3. [Payroll Correction for 1/5/25 Total \\$753,946.22](#)

Mrs. Woods made the motion to approve the modifications, seconded by Mr. McIntosh. Motion carried 5-0.

VI. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Soloe made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. McIntosh. Motion carried 5-0.

A. Consideration of Board Minutes [12/10/24](#) & [12/16/24](#)

B. Financial Considerations

1. Payroll Claims [12/20/24](#) & [1/5/25](#)
2. Regular Claims
  - a. Regular Claims [12/6/24 - 1/9/25](#)
  - b. [Appropriations Report 12/24](#)
  - c. [Fund Cash Balance 12/24](#)
  - d. [ECA Bank Reconciliation December 2024](#)

C. Permission to Purchase/Renew

1. [Football Uniform Order for 2025 \\$24,036.48](#)

(\$7,470.00 from Athletics ECA and the remaining balance split between Football ECA and Football Booster Club)

D. Personnel Recommendations

1. Resignation(s)
  - a. [Lora Huckleberry - JES 5.75 hr/180 days Special Ed Aide](#)
  - b. [Ethan Morgan - SES 7 hr/180 days ED Aide](#)
2. ECA Recommendation(s)
  - a. [Derek Eldridge - SHS Cross Country Coach 2025-26](#)
  - b. [Katie Taylor SMS Winter Guard Director](#)
3. Professional Leave Request(s)
  - a. [Melissa Lyles - National Art Educators Association Conference Louisville, KY 3/20/25 - 3/21/25](#)
4. Field Trip Request(s)
  - a. [Curtis Turner - 2025 Honors Band Clinic at Western Kentucky University](#)
  - b. [Curtis Turner - Winter Percussion Contest Shelbyville, Kentucky](#)
  - c. [Curtis Turner - Winter Percussion Contest Union, Kentucky](#)
  - d. [Curtis Turner - Winter Percussion Contest Elizabethtown, Kentucky](#)
  - e. [Curtis Turner - Tri State Marching Arts Championships Highland Heights, Kentucky](#)
5. Leave Request(s)
  - a. [Tammy Staser - December 18, 2024 - January 20, 2025](#)
  - b. [Glenna Hardin - Extend current Leave January 5th - March 31st](#)
6. Student Teacher Recommendation(s)
  - a. [Jameson Hale - SMS teaching with David Craig](#)
  - b. [Kyle Toppe - SMS teaching with JT Jenkins](#)

E. [Surplus Property Disposal](#)

VII. Other Business

1. [Policy Updates Volume 37, No. 1](#) - First Reading

2. [State Check Disposal Resolution](#) and [Listing](#)

The district has several outstanding checks that had not been cashed totaling \$249.76

Mrs. Woods made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Soloe. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Discussion of Upcoming Board Meeting Dates

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Tuesday January, 28th.

The Board decided to have an Executive Session regarding Board training on Monday, January 20th.

Items Pending Permission To Add 1/14/25

1. [Kasey Comer - Extended Leave of Absence through March 21st.](#)

2. [Sandra Gibson - SHS 4 hr/182 days Cook](#)

3. [Payroll Correction for 1/5/25 Total \\$753,946.22](#)

Mrs. Soloe made a motion to approve items #1-3, seconded by Mr. Zollman. Motion carried 5-0.

Please keep the following families in your thoughts and prayers:

Lori Smith (VFES Teacher) in your thoughts in prayers. Her mother-in-law, Patsy Smith passed away. This is also Casey Smith's (SHS Teacher) grandmother.

Lisa Marshall's (VFES Aide) brother, Carl Holthe passed away.

Nick South's (LES Principal) mother, Bunny passed away.

VIII. Adjourn

Mr. Zollman made a motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Woods. Motion carried 5-0.

Upcoming Events:

NOTICE: Any member of the public who will be attending the board meeting and who will need an auxiliary aide should contact the Superintendent's Office at [812-752-8946](tel:812-752-8946) to permit advance preparation.