

**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
August 23, 2021**

Executive Session 5:30 p.m.

IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (6) any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction. (b)(3) For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems.

The Executive Session began at 5:30 p.m. with all members present along with Dr. Slaton and Mr. Brewster. There was no subject discussed other than that specified on the agenda. The Executive Session ended at approximately 6:04 p.m.

Public Hearing- 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Craig called the public hearing to order at 6:34 p.m. She explained that the hearing was regarding the proposed High School Project and the Elementary Project. She stated that anyone that would like to speak regarding the project to please limit their comments to 3 minutes. Mrs. Craig announced that a notice of the Project Hearing was published as legally required in the Crothersville Times on August 11, 2021

Dr. Slaton shared with the board that pursuant to Indiana Code § 20-26-7-37, before a school corporation may spend more than \$1,000,000 to build, repair or alter a school building that will be financed by a lease or bonds, it must hold a public hearing at which explanations of the potential value of the projects to the school corporation and community are given.

These public hearings and the adoption of resolutions are the very beginning of the legal process. These resolutions establish the maximum financial terms for each of the proposed projects.

Dr. Slaton noted the two projects that the bond would cover

1. SHS - New construction and renovation of current classrooms. The finished product would have all students/staff under one roof at the main building.
2. SES - Being one of the oldest buildings in the district, it is in need of a complete HVAC renovation as well as some windows that are leaking need to be replaced.

Our Municipal Advisor, Mr. Mike Therber from Therber and Brock spoke about how the proposed projects will be financed, as well as information about the effect on the typical property taxpayer. The total amount being borrowed to cover both projects is 8,000,000.00 and would be financed all at one time. This will increase our tax rate up to .16 cents. Maximum term for repayment is 20 years which is typical for this type of bond. The first payment would be due in June 2022. The interest rate estimate is 4% or less.

Mr. Therber gave some examples for homeowners and what their property taxes could look like. A homeowner owning a home that is valued at \$75,000 could have up to \$32.00 added to their property tax annually. A home that is valued at \$125,000 could have up to \$85.00 added to their property tax annually. Lastly, a home that is valued at \$200,000 could have up to \$164.00 added to their property tax annually.

The board asked where District 2 stands compared to other surrounding schools. Mr. Therber stated that out of 16 schools in all of our neighboring counties, District 2 was in the middle with a debt service tax rate of .33 cents. Mr. Therber also commended District 2 for all they have accomplished and had been able to keep their debt service tax rate near the same over the years.

Mrs. Craig asked if there were any visitors that would like to speak or ask questions regarding the hearing. There were none.

Dr. Slaton summarized the following: The Project Resolution is required when the school is planning to spend more than \$1,000,000 per building. It contains the estimated hard & soft construction cost and the costs of issuance and establishes the total project cost. It also contains the estimated tax impact. There is a Project Resolution for each Project.

[Exhibit A - High School Project Resolution](#)

Mr. Best made a motion to approve Exhibit A, second by Mrs. Solo. Motion carried 5-0.

[Exhibit B - Elementary Project Resolution](#)

Mr. Zollman made a motion to approve Exhibit B, seconded by Mrs. Broady. Motion carried 5-0.

[Exhibit C - Resolution Determining Needs For Projects](#)

Mrs. Soloe made a motion to approve Exhibit C, second by Mr. Best. Motion carried 5-0.

[Exhibit D - Declaration Of Official Intent To Reimburse Expenditures](#)

Mrs. Broady made a motion to approve Exhibit D, seconded by Mr. Zollman. Motion carried 5-0.

Regular Board Meeting - Immediately Following the Public Hearing.

I. Call to Order

Mrs. Craig called the regular meeting to order at 6:56 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Recognition of Visitors

IV. Superintendent's Report

a. [Homebound Report](#)

b. [Staff Exit Survey](#)

These reports were provided for Board review.

c. Preschool Participation in National Study

All of our preschools (except VFES because they are not PTQ certified yet) will be involved in a study for 2 years.

Through this study, Early Learning Indiana seeks to improve instructional practices and achieve enhanced learning outcomes. Participation in the study involves third-party classroom, teacher and child observations and implementation support.

d. [July 2021 Financial Report](#) - Mr. Brewster

V. Consideration of Modification to the Agenda and Approval

Dr. Slaton asked permission to modify the agenda as follows

1. [Grace Hargis - SES Leave of Absence starting Sept. 1st for Kala Cudjoe](#)

2. COVID Numbers

3. [Property and Casualty Proposal renewal](#)

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

VI. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Broady made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Mrs. Soloe. Motion carried 5-0.

A. [Consideration of Board Minutes 8-10-21](#)

B. Financial Considerations

1. Payroll Claims [8-12-21](#)

2. Regular Claims

a. Regular Claims [8-6-21 - 8-18-21](#)

b. AP Invoice Report [8-19-21](#)

C. Personnel Recommendations

1. Termination(s)

a. [Brooklyn Baker - SES 5.75/180 days Special ED Aide](#)

2. Retirement(s)

a. [Susan Calloway - SES Asst. Cafe Manger](#)

Susan has decided to retire after 31 years of service here at District 2. We appreciate her dedication and hope she enjoys her new chapter. We also hope to see Susan at our retirement dinner in May.

3. Resignation(s)

a. [Kasey Vest - SES 5.5 hr/182 days Cook](#)

b. [Lindsey DePriest - LES Bus Supervisor](#)

4. Certified Staff Recommendation(s)

a. [Stacy Doriot - Distinct High Ability Coordinator updated contract](#)

b. [Brittany East - Correction of pay add for Bachelor's + 15](#)

5. Support Staff Recommendation(s)

a. [Erionna Hazelwood - SES Special Ed Aide](#)

6. ECA Recommendation(s)
 - a. [Jacob Dorsey - SHS Girls JV Coach and Assistant Varsity Coach](#)
 - b. [Lindsey DePriest - LES Bus Supervisor](#)
 - c. [Taylor Funk - SHS Assistant Baseball Coach](#)
 - d. [Duane Hildebrand - SHS Assistant Baseball Coach](#)
 - e. [Klarinda Tutterow - SHS Varsity Boys & Girls Cheer Coach](#)
 - f. [Kailee Lynn - SHS JV Girls Cheer Coach](#)
 - g. [Andrew Slaton - SMS 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach](#)
 - h. [Josh Broadus - SMS 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach](#)
 - i. [Shawna Slaton - SHS Academic Coordinator](#)
 - j. [Dustin Marshall - SMS 6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach](#)
 - k. [Eric Copple - SMS 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach](#)
 - l. [Oakley Barger - SMS 7th Grade Girls B Team Basketball Coach](#)
 - m. [Mike Gricius - SMS 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach](#)
 - n. [Tyler Fouts - SMS 8th Grade Girls B Team Basketball Coach](#)
 - o. [Mitchell Prince - SMS 8th Grade Boys B Team Basketball Coach](#)
 - p. [Charity Wood - LES Bus Supervisor](#)

7. Leave Request(s)
 - a. [Hank Jentzen](#) - SMS August 10th - August 23
 - b. [Amanda Waldon](#) - JES Sept. 13th - November 8th

8. [Positions to Post](#) (Date Posted)
 - a. SES 5.75 hr/180 days Special ED Aide (8-11-21)
 - b. SES 5.5 hr/182 days Cook (8-18-21)
 - c. LES Special Ed Aide to help with Teletherapy 5.75 hr/180 days
 - d. Business Office Administrative Assistant - New Position

- D. Permission to Waive Fees
 1. [Scott County Youth Football League](#)
 2. [Brenda Slusher - Use of VFES to continue tutoring students](#)

- E. [Surplus Property Disposal](#)

VII. Other Business

1. [Recommendation to approve Advertisement of Public Hearing and Adoption Meeting](#)

Mr. Brewster needs board approval to advertise the Time, date and place for the 2022 budget and the adoptions meeting. He would like to have a public hearing and adoption meeting on September 28, 2021 and also October 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Administrative Office Board Room.

Mr. Best made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Zollman. Motion carried 5-0.

bj/rz 5-0

2. Resolution to Transfer From Debt Services to Education Fund

Debt Service has not been transferred correctly over the past couple of years and Mr. Brewster is asking for a resolution to transfer 132,609.75 in order to correct the overstated debt service fund. He has been working with auditors to get this up-to-date.

Mrs. Soloe made a motion to approve, second by Mrs. Broady. Motion carried 5-0

3. Discussion on Band Equipment Transportation to Band Events and Contests

Mr. Curtis Turner, SHS Band Director stated that Sept. 11th was their first band competition and they do not have a tractor to pull the semi trailer. The person that had one the last couple of years, their child graduated therefore they were no longer interested in driving. There was discussion on what was paid in the past to someone that had a tractor. The Band Boosters were willing to contribute up to \$8,000 every year for 3 years to help offset the cost. The board decided to give Bobby Riley permission to purchase a tractor. The board appreciated the Band Boosters willing to give but hopefully, this can be purchased out of school funds.

Mr. Best made a motion to give Bobby Riley to purchase a tractor, second by Mr. Zollman. Motion carried 5-0.

ADDED - 8-23-21

1. Grace Hargis - SES Leave of absence for Kala Cudjoe starting Sept. 1st.

Mrs. Soloe made a motion to approve, second by Mrs. Broady. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Property Casualty Insurance Renewal Update - Jason Bukowski with Shephard Insurance gave a brief summary.

Mrs. Broady made a motion to approve, second by Mr. Best. Motion carried 5-0.

3. COVID Numbers Update -

Dr. Slaton shared data showing the breakdown of current COVID positive cases as well as those students that were being quarantined due to close contact as of today. Unfortunately, the numbers are not good and are going in the wrong direction. With much thought and deliberation, Dr. Slaton is asking that all students and staff wear a mask starting Wednesday, August 25th. This is for all vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. If you are 6 feet away from others in class, you may take your mask off. The same rules apply at all sporting events, co-curricular, or extra-curricular activities. Any siblings or household members of symptomatic people will be required to quarantine at home until the results of any COVID tests are known. Also anyone who are awaiting COVID test results must also quarantine at home until the results of those tests are known. Dr. Slaton will be keeping up with the data daily and will see what the numbers look like on Friday, September 17th. If numbers are starting to decline at that point, the mandate will slowly be lifted. That is the goal for Dr. Slaton and the Board members. The Board thanked Admin, teachers, students, and parents for doing as they were asked and worked diligently to try and make our back to school plan work. This is not how they wanted the numbers to go however, it's important to be masked at this time with the ultimate goal of keeping kids in the building with in person learning. The board also wanted to remind parents that if their child feels ill to please keep them home.

Mr. Zollman made a motion to approve, second by Mr. Best. Motion carried 5-0.

Cammie Craven's (JES & SES Computer Tech) mother, Carolyn Clegg passed away on 8/11. Please keep Cammie and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

VIII. Adjourn

Mr. Zollman made a motion to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. second by Mrs. Soloe. 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.

Jennifer Craig, Board President

Andrea Soloe, Vice President

William Best, Treasurer

Sarah Broady, Member

Rick Zollman, Member