

**SPRINGS VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MAY 19, 2014**

Regular Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Regular Session at 5:04 PM in the Learning Center Board Room. Board members Mrs. Cheryl Lynch, Dr. Ryan Carnes, Mr. Ralph Purkhiser, Mr. Kevin Allstott, Mrs. Linda Carnes, Mr. Tony Galloway, and Mr. Larry Kalb were all present. Mr. Tony Whitaker, Mrs. Kathy Allstott, and Mrs. Edith Pinnick were also in attendance.

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

Mr. Whitaker congratulated the high school seaperch team that competed at a national competition this past weekend. The team, with Nathan Apple, Kade Hinkle, Kyler McNeely, and Tristan Parmley, placed 3rd overall out of 43 teams from several different states, Puerto Rico, and New Zealand.

Mr. Whitaker also recognized Tristan Parmley, Kade Hinkle, and the boys’ track team for their success at the recent conference meet. The team placed second overall, Tristan placed first in three events, and Kade had a first and second place finish.

No patrons addressed the board.

Under new business, Mr. Whitaker recommended increasing the school lunch price from \$2.00 to \$2.10 in order to comply with the federal reimbursement guidelines issued by the USDA and Indiana Department of Education. Mr. Galloway so moved. Mr. Allstott seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Whitaker stated that the opening for high school principal was posted on various sites from April 15th to April 25th. Over 20 applications were received, from which he screened the applicants and interviewed nine candidates. Three applicants were then selected and interviewed by board members on May 8th. Mr. Whitaker recommended that Mr. James Bush be hired as high school principal on a 225-day two-year contract at the salary rate of \$85,000.00. Mr. Whitaker commented that he was very happy with the application process and pleased with this recommendation. Mr. Galloway made a motion to employ Mr. James Bush as stated. Mr. Allstott seconded. With no discussion, the motion was approved 7-0.

Mr. Bush thanked the board for this opportunity, and stated that he was happy to become a part of our school family and community.

Mr. Whitaker advised board members that Mr. Bush’s contract was available for their signatures, and was signed by all board members.

Mrs. Allstott asked that the direct deposit election forms be returned to the superintendent's office by this Friday.

With no other business before the board, Mr. Allstott motioned to adjourn. Mrs. Carnes seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM.

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