

**SPRINGS VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 14, 2010**

Executive Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Executive Session at 5:00 PM on Monday, June 14, 2010 in the Learning Center Board Room. The following were present: Mr. Todd Marshall, Mr. Kevin Allstott, Mrs. Deborah Brothers, Mr. Willard Owen, Mr. Tony Galloway, Mr. Eddie Kellams, and Mr. Larry Pritchett. Mr. Todd Pritchett, Mr. Larry Kalb, Mrs. Cheryl Lynch, and Mr. Ralph Purkhiser were also in attendance. Mr. Troy Pritchett was present for a portion of the meeting.

A second Executive Session was held following the Regular Session for professional development for the board members. Incoming board members Mr. Larry Kalb, Mrs. Cheryl Lynch, and Mr. Ralph Purkhiser were present, along with Mr. Kevin Allstott, Mr. Tony Galloway, Mr. Eddie Kellams, Mr. Todd Marshall, and Mr. Todd Pritchett. Mr. Michael Adamson of Indiana School Boards Association was the presenter. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

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, and discussed individuals over whom the governing body has jurisdiction. 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 6:04 PM in the Learning Center Board Room. All of the above were present, as well as Mr. Tony Whitaker, Mrs. Kathy Allstott, and Mrs. Edith Pinnick.

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

Mr. Marshall announced that a professional development executive session would be held following this meeting for the incoming board members.

Mr. Owen motioned to approve the minutes of the May 10th, 2010 board meeting as presented. Mr. Allstott seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Vouchers and claims were approved with a motion by Mr. Owen and seconded by Mr. Galloway. The motion carried 7-0.

Mrs. Allstott requested special permission to pay the following: Bush-Keller Sporting Goods for \$8,080.00 from Casino Revenue Fund, Wenger for \$4,671.00 from Capital Projects Fund, and the amount of \$1,899.00 from Fund 3770 Access Indiana for Linux Certification expenses for Mr. Jeff Kerby and Mr. Lionel Brown. Mr. Larry Pritchett so moved. Mr. Owen seconded, and the motion was approved 7-0.

Mr. Troy Pritchett recognized Mr. John “Butch” Emmons for his contributions to the school corporation as athletic director for the past six years, and congratulated him for his career at Springs Valley Community Schools as teacher, coach, administrator, and athletic director.

He congratulated the girls’ softball team for winning their 4th straight sectional championship and PLAC title, and the boys’ golf team for advancing to regional competition after placing second at the Jasper Sectional.

Mr. Todd Pritchett extended congratulations to track participants Kali Johnson, Cara Stevens, Jacob McCormick, and Brian Resenbeck for advancing to track regional competition, and special recognition to Brian for placing seventh at regional in the 2-mile run.

Mr. Todd Pritchett also commented on the nice graduation ceremony, and offered his best wishes to the recent graduates.

Patron Mr. Terry Collier addressed the board regarding the football bleachers, stating that the home bleachers were not handicap-accessible. Mr. Marshall instructed Mr. Todd Pritchett to look into this matter, and report back at the July board meeting.

Mr. Todd Pritchett recommended the hiring of Miss Carrie Trommater to fill the math position, working primarily with middle school grades. Mrs. Brothers so moved, and Mr. Owen seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Mrs. Brothers motioned to approve Miss Kara Lindsey as volunteer cheer coach and Mr. Bill Widdifield as volunteer softball coach. Mr. Galloway seconded. The motion was approved 7-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett requested permission to contract with bus drivers at a daily rate of \$60 for summer school routes, for a maximum of four drivers. Mr. Owen so moved, and Mr. Larry Pritchett seconded. Following discussion, the motion carried 7-0.

Under Old and Unfinished Business, Mr. Todd Pritchett relayed concerns about possible replacement flooring for the elementary gym floor. He updated board members on the summer projects currently in progress, and stated the auditorium seats are scheduled for installation beginning July 10th, and removal of the high school gym bleachers should begin on June 20th with installation of new seating to follow. Discussion was held on the color choices for the high school gym exterior project.

Mr. Trevor Apple provided a review of intervention for the writing program being used at the elementary school. He also stated that Response To Instruction (RTI) teams are in place at the elementary, and will be utilized at the middle school next year. As a Title I school, Springs Valley Elementary will be transitioning from a Targeted Assistance School to a Schoolwide School next year, which will allow for greater flexibility in the Title I program.

Mr. Todd Pritchett stated that ISTEP scores have just been received and advised that substantial increases were made from 2009 to 2010. Additional information will be provided at the July board meeting.

Mr. Todd Pritchett discussed the Common Core Standards, and has been advised that the State Board of Education is expected to adopt this as the Indiana standards in August.

Mr. Galloway motioned to approve awarding the Lost River Vocational Education route to Mr. Dave Emmons at a daily rate of \$70, as recommended by Mr. Todd Pritchett, who stated that Mr. Emmons' bid was the only one submitted. Mr. Owen seconded, and the motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Todd Pritchett discussed the Student Time Out and Restraint Policy, and requested approval of the policy as presented. Mrs. Brothers so moved, and Mr. Owen seconded. Following discussion, the motion was approved 7-0. (copy attached)

Mr. Todd Pritchett stated that Mr. John Emmons has requested the purchase of student athletic passes from the Casino Revenue Fund again this year. Mr. Galloway so moved, and Mr. Allstott seconded the motion. Discussion followed, and Mr. Marshall suggested the purchase rate be for the original ticket price of \$40 apiece. Mr. Galloway amended his motion to include the purchase price of \$40 per student pass, and Mr. Allstott agreed to the amended motion. The motion then carried 7-0.

Mrs. Brothers moved to adopt the budget timeline as presented by Mr. Todd Pritchett. Mr. Larry Pritchett seconded, and the motion passed 7-0. (copy attached)

In recognition of the outgoing board members, Mr. Todd Pritchett stated that he appreciated their dedication, time and interest in the students of Springs Valley Community Schools. Mr. Owen stated that it had been a pleasure to serve and support the administration. Mrs. Brothers said that she was proud of our school system. Mr. Larry Pritchett stated that he began his career at Springs Valley in 1962 as a teacher and also served as an administrator, and has now completed 8 years as a board member, adding that "all good things must come to an end". Mrs. Brothers was recognized for her 8 years of service, Mr. Owen – 4 years, and Mr. Larry Pritchett – 8 years.

Mr. Larry Pritchett then motioned to adjourn. Mr. Owen seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

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