

**SPRINGS VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 11, 2022**

Executive Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Executive Session at 5:00 PM on Monday, July 11, 2022 in the Springs Valley High School Auditorium. Board members Mr. Chris Burton, Mr. Dustin Farris, Mr. Justin Wininger, Mr. Joel Dalton, Mrs. Cheryl Lynch, and Mrs. Jennifer Shipman were present. Dr. Trevor Apple was also in attendance, as well as Dr. Kyle Neukam and Dr. Matt Williams.

During the Executive Session, the Board received information about prospective employees, and discussed job performance evaluation, collective bargaining, school safety and security, personnel, and litigation. No subject matters were discussed in the Executive Session other than the subject matters specified in the public notice.

Regular Session

The Springs Valley School Board met in Regular Session at 6:00 PM in the Springs Valley High School Auditorium. All of the above, as well as Dr. Jeff Kerby, Mrs. Felicia Wolfington and Mrs. Peggy Simmons were present.

Mr. Burton called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Mrs. Shipman made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2022 board meeting, and vouchers and claims. Mr. Wininger seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Williams thanked the staff for all the hard work they have put in over the last two months. The teachers have been busy with getting their rooms ready and attending professional development training while the custodial and maintenance staff have been getting the classrooms and building cleaned and ready for the start of school. The office staff has also been working hard at finalizing reports and making sure that registration is ready to go. He announced that the online and in-person registration will be from July 18 to July 22 from 8 AM to 3 PM, with extended hours on July 20 until 6 PM. Meet the Teacher Night will be on August 1st from 5 PM to 7 PM. Dr. Williams added that he was excited to announce that Springs Valley Elementary will receive a \$5,000 grant from the Siemens Foundation that will be used to purchase STEM related equipment and supplies. We will also partner with Purdue Extension-Orange County and with the Orange County Economic Development Partnership this upcoming school year. They will be providing STEM programming to our students. Mrs. Jill Elkins will also be assisting with this collaborative effort to help engage our students with hands-on learning to help with skills such as problem solving, critical thinking, and decision making. Dr. Williams thanked all of our stakeholders for providing us with these great opportunities for our students at no cost to the district. He stated he was excited about this upcoming school year and looks forward to seeing all of the students' smiling faces on August 3.

Dr. Neukam thanked the teachers who taught summer school. He stated there were over 20 junior high students who attended English and Math classes. Over 100 high school students took English, Math, online courses, attended summer athletic programs or band for PE credit. He commented that he was excited to see our teachers back in the building and planning for a fantastic 2022-23 school year. He thanked our teachers for the time they invest during the summer months. Dr. Neukam praised the maintenance team for their hard work to keep our facilities in the best shape for our students and staff every year. He also thanked the cafeteria staff for providing summer lunches to our students. The food was great and he appreciated their time and effort. Dr. Neukam announced the online registration is available through the school website starting Monday, July 18 to all junior-senior high school students and parents. The in-person registration will begin on Monday, July 18 through Friday, July 22 from 8 AM to 3 PM every day. On Wednesday, July 20 there will be extended hours until 6 PM.

Dr. Apple welcomed Mrs. Felicia Wolfington to the board as the new corporation treasurer.

Mr. Wininger thanked the band staff and students, Mr. Bill Laughlin, Mrs. Julie Woolsey, and Mrs. Cherish Wininger for helping with the band during the transition. He said it was great to see how everyone has come together to help the program out.

Mr. Burton recognized the administrators for the outstanding job they have been doing during this busy summer.

No patrons addressed the board.

Under personnel matters, Dr. Apple presented the following consent agenda for approval: 1) Hire Ms. Anelia Andrews for the PE/Health/Social Studies position. Ms. Andrews will start at level A, Bachelor's scale at \$40,300; 2) Hire Auston Matricardi as high school media center supervisor on a 189-day non-certified contract of \$40,300. In addition, he will have 5 extra days this July at the daily rate; 3) Hire Kris Hawkins as elementary teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Mrs. Hawkins will start at BA salary scale level C at \$43,300; 4) Hire Summer Sneed-Mueller as high school music teacher/band director. Mrs. Sneed-Mueller will start on the MA scale level B at \$43,800. She will also be paid the band director stipend, level A at \$4,000. Mrs. Sneed-Mueller will also be a summer school teacher and will be paid for that time; 5) Hire Chris Rowland as 3/7 teacher for the 2022-23 school year, based on a full-time salary of \$70,800 (Masters level T). The estimated salary will be \$30,342.86; 6) Correction to the support staff pay scale as presented in June - Elementary Librarian pay is \$18 per hour; 7) Award Stephanie Miller the corporation route 5 for the 2022-23 school year at \$85 per day and vocational route at \$45 per day; 8) Award Larry Flick the corporation special transportation route for the 2022-2023 school year at \$140 per day; 9) It is recommended that the following stipends be paid for summer band staff: Joyce Kim-Rohrer -\$1,000, Andy Alspaugh - \$1,000, McCall Babcock - \$1,000, April Mathers - \$1,000, Brian Elkins -\$1,000, Brooklyn Robison -\$500; 10) It is recommended that the board approve a corporate resolution from Springs Valley Bank & Trust for changes to ECA accounts, adding Mrs. Felicia Wolfington as an authorized signer for corporation accounts, and Mr. Troy Pritchett as an authorized signer for the junior-senior high school accounts; 11) It is recommended that Colten Cassidy be approved as a volunteer cross country coach for the 2022-23 school year. Mr. Wininger made the motion and Mr. Farris seconded. With Mr. Marshall's arrival, this motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Apple announced he has accepted a retirement notice from Mrs. Amy Orr effective July 31, 2022. On behalf of the students and staff, he thanked Mrs. Orr for her many years of service at Springs Valley. He noted she was an outstanding educator and would be missed.

Dr. Apple clarified that Hannah Pendley, formerly a temporary employee, will start as full time on August 1, 2022. Her rate of pay will be \$12 per hour. All future pay increases will be based on this date. Mr. Wininger so moved. Mrs. Shipman seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Apple advised that there needed to be further discussion at some point relating to a leak in the band room roof and other infrastructure items that need to be considered.

Regarding textbook fees, Dr. Apple stated, as indicated in the board's action at the April 2019 board meeting, parents will be responsible for 60% of unsubsidized fees for the 2022-23 school year. For free-reduced meal students, this will be the amount left after all local and state payments have been applied. For paid meal students, this will be 60% of the total textbook fee. Bills will be sent home later in the year

Dr. Apple recommended adding Swim Assistant to the support staff pay scale at a pay rate of \$16 per hour. Mrs. Lynch made the motion as stated, and Mrs. Shipman seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Apple recommended approval of meal prices for 2022-23. It is recommended that paid student meals be set at \$1.45 for breakfast and \$2.60 for lunch. Adult breakfast meals will be \$2.60 and adult lunch will be \$4.70. Mr. Wininger so moved. Mrs. Lynch seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Apple informed the board that the junior-senior high school received a grant totaling \$12,200 from the WHAS Crusade for Children for appliances and other curriculum-related items for the Life Skills class.

Dr. Apple recommended that the board enter into transportation contracts with the Hickman family and the Street family. Mr. Wininger made the motion. Mrs. Shipman seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

With no other business before the board, Mrs. Shipman motioned to adjourn. Mr. Wininger seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM.

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