

**SOUTHERN WELLS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
PUBLIC MEETING  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
July 29, 2014**

**PUBLIC SESSION:** The public session was opened with President Doug Klefeker giving prayer at 5 PM. Others attending were Secretary Chad Roush, Liaison Bob Prible, Superintendent James Craig, corporation treasurer Vicki Andrews; secondary principal Chad Yencer; Chet Baumgartner of the Bluffton News-Banner; and patrons Ted Showalter, Bill Morris and Mary Morris..

**I. MEETING ORGANIZATION:**

1. **Approve Agenda** –Prible made a motion to approve the agenda, was seconded by Roush, and the motion carried 3-0.
2. **Approve Minutes** – Klefeker made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 15 board meeting and was seconded by Prible. The motion passed 3-0.

**II. POLICY 2nd READING: Possessing Firearms on School Property:** The board passed, on 2nd reading, the policy on employees possessing firearms on school property following a motion by Prible, seconded by Roush, and a 3-0 vote.

**III. ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. Personnel:**

**a. Certified Recommendation** -- Mr. Craig recommended hiring Kaitlyn Prible as the speech teacher for Southern Wells Elementary. She holds a bachelor's degree and is considered an assistant as you have to hold a master's degree (SLP) to work solely on your own. He also recommended Becky Norton to supervise Ms. Prible's work. She has extensive experience and will continue full-time as speech therapist at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. Mr. Roush made a motion in favor of the plan and was seconded by Mr. Klefeker. The motion passed 2-0 with Mr. Prible abstaining due to a conflict of interest.

**b. Appointment of Board Representative** -- Mr. Klefeker made a motion to appoint Shelley Mossburg as school board member from Liberty Township following the resignation of Chris Smith in June 2014. Mr. Prible seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. She will complete Smith's term through the end of the year.

**c. Classified Recommendation** -- A recommendation was received from Yencer to hire Kristina Roush for the position of special education aide at Southern Wells High School to work under the direction of Pam Hunter to serve students in grades 9-12. In addition, elementary principal John Purcell recommended Nicole Phillipe as a Title I instructional assistant in the elementary. These recommendations were approved with a 2-0 vote following a motion by Prible, seconded by Klefeker. Roush abstained due to conflict.

**d. ECA Recommendation** -- Athletic director Ben Mann made coaching recommendations of Mike Carter and Kelly Plank as junior high volleyball coaches; Ben Burman, elementary boys basketball; Chris Painter, varsity baseball; and Kelsey McKinney, varsity softball. All were approved with a 3-0 vote following a motion by Prible, seconded by Klefeker.

- 2. Recommendation to Implement Student Tables:** Recommendation was received from Yencer to assist students struggling at the middle school level. The program will provide math and language arts tutoring after school to students who need to catch up on missing work, build additional skills and improve performance. Students who are assigned study tables and do not attend will be considered truant and discipline will be assigned. Last year, 5-6 students in each grade level would have met the proposed criteria. The proposal was approved with a 3-0 vote following a motion by Prible, seconded by Roush.
- 3. 2nd Reading Jr/Sr HS Digital Learning Handbook:** The digital learning handbook was approved on 2nd reading with no changes following a motion by Roush, seconded by Prible, and a 3-0 vote.
- 4. 2nd Reading Elementary Student Handbook:** Following a motion by Roush, seconded by Prible, and a 3-0 vote, the elementary student handbook was approved on 2nd reading.
- 5. Field Trip Request:** The annual varsity cross country campout at Salamonie Reservoir July 28-August 1 was approved with a 3-0 vote after a motion by Prible, seconded by Roush.
- 6. Fundraiser Request:** Approval was granted for the Raider Class Show Choir event January 10, 2015 after a motion by Roush, seconded by Prible, and a 3-0 vote.

**IV COMMUNITY INPUT:** None.

**V FINANCIAL ITEMS:** A Budget Workshop to review plans for the 2015 budget cycle were reviewed and discussed.

**VI. REPORTS:**

Mr. Craig noted that we are ten days from school starting. Athletic teams will begin practices next week.

The next public meeting of the school board will be Tuesday, August 19 at 5 PM.

**VI. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS:** All documents needing signed were duly signed.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned. The signatures below certify that the minutes accurately reflect what occurred in the regular meeting and that only items specified and permissible by law were discussed in executive session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The board members and Mr. Craig met in executive session to discuss collective bargaining following the public meeting and budget workshop.

<b>DOUG KLEFEKER</b>	
<b>BOB PRIBLE</b>	
<b>CHAD ROUSH</b>	

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