

SOUTHERN WELLS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Board of School Trustees
Special Board Meeting
Executive Session Following
March 29, 2016

PUBLIC MEETING: The Southern Wells Community School Board opened with prayer by Secretary Aaron Westfall at 5:03 PM on Tuesday, March 29, 2016. Others present were President Chad Roush, Vice President Kevin Scott, Liaison Doug Klefeker, Superintendent James Craig, elementary principal John Purcell, technology coordinator Bill VanHaften, corporation treasurer Vicki Andrews, corporation secretary Robin Minniear, Glen Werling of the News-Banner, and citizens Steve Harvey and Letty Stauffer.

I. MEETING ORGANIZATION:

1. **Approve Agenda** -- The agenda was approved with a 4-0 vote following a motion by Klefeker, seconded by Scott.
2. **Approve Minutes** -- The minutes of the March 8, 2016 meeting were approved

II. COMMUNITY INPUT:

III. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Public Hearing on Superintendent Contract:** A public hearing was held on the proposed contract of the new superintendent.
2. **Consideration of Enrollment of Students without Legal Settlement:** Due to the upcoming referendum vote during the May election, Mr. Craig recommended delaying a discussion on enrollment of out of district students until the May meeting. This was supported by Westfall, who moved to table the decision, seconded by Scott, and the motion carried 4-0.
3. **Technology Presentation:** VanHaften was present to discuss various quotes received on technology devices to replace the now three-year old Chromebooks. The proposal is to purchase Dell 11" Chromebooks from CDI with a one-year warranty for \$114,500. A decision will be made in the April meeting.
4. **Kindergarten Summer Program:** The United Way of Wells County is proposing a Kindergarten Countdown for children lacking in essential kindergarten readiness skills July 5-28. UW will pay up to \$3,000 in salary toward two teachers for 15-20 children and up to \$1,000 for transportation costs, as well as funding for snacks and supplies. Westfall made a motion for initial approval, was seconded by Klefeker, and the motion carried 4-0. Further details will be forthcoming after round-up and kindergarten testing in May. Purcell did note that he may have to look outside of SW for staff.
5. **Athletic Projects:** A request was received from activities director Ben Mann for baseball and softball supplies of bulk clay for \$1,562 from Leffert Stone Co., infield conditioner for \$2,760 from Langdon Bros. Seed, and for fence windscreens for \$3,350 from BSN Sports. All purchases to be from the athletic capital projects fund lines. Klefeker made a motion to get the clay and conditioners but to deny the fencing purchase based on lack of information, and was seconded by Scott. The motion

carried 3-1 with Westfall objecting stating that he felt that all should be permitted.

6. **Goals for 2016 Expenditure Categories:** Craig informed the board members that they needed to adopt expenditure goals for 2016 for student achievement, instructional support, overhead and operational and nonoperational expenditures. These were approved following a motion by Klefeker, seconded by Westfall, and a 4-0 vote.
7. **Storage Building Roof Repair:** A quote to repair the ridge cap of the storage building for \$1,369.09 by Taylor Construction was approved with a 4-0 vote following a motion by Roush, seconded by Westfall.
8. **High School Bathroom Remodel:** Klefeker made a motion by approve bathroom remodeling of all A-building restrooms at a total cost of \$30,794.07 by Don Myers Plumbing of Berne, and was seconded by Westfall. The motion passed 4-0. This means all restrooms in the high school facility will have the same finishes and fixtures.
9. **Conference Request:** A request for secondary math teachers to receive the hourly stipend rate of \$30 for an after school professional staff development on January 13 was approved for Kevin Lavanchy, Kyle Penrod, Kelsey McKinney and Jeni Meeks after a motion by Westfall, seconded by Klefeker, and a 4-0 vote.
10. **ProFed Agreement:** Board members approved an agreement with ProFed Credit Union for continued services as our direct depository account institution following a motion by Roush, seconded by Klefeker and a 4-0 vote.

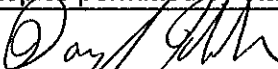

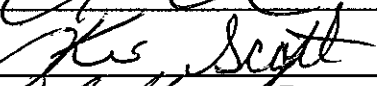
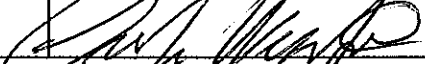
IV. REPORTS:

1. **Superintendent's Reports:** Following the public session, the board members took a facilities tour and viewed several areas of exterior concrete which were of concern.
2. **April board meeting:** The next regular board meeting will be April 19.

V. SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS: All required documents were signed.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

With no other business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM. The signatures below certify that the minutes reflect what occurred in the regular meeting, and that only topics permitted by statute were discussed in executive session.

DOUG KLEFEKER	
CHAD ROUSH	
KEVIN SCOTT	
AARON WESTFALL	
Board of School Trustees, Southern Wells Community Schools	