

SOUTHERN LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 14, 2023 @ 5:30 pm / High School Media Center

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call:

Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

**III. Adoption of Minutes: Moved by John Sawyer Seconded by Linda Morris
Waive the reading of the minutes**

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

IV. Reception of Visitors

During the Reception of Visitors or in the meeting, anyone addressing the board must refrain from using specific names other than that of the person speaking. If used, the President will ask you to continue in an executive session to be held at the board's determination. This is in line with Board of Education Policy 0169.1. There is a time limit of five minutes to speak per person and a total of thirty minutes. To go beyond thirty minutes board vote is needed.

- 1. Mr. and Mrs. Deruyter**
- 2. Jeremiah Cole**
- 3. Michelle Cole**
- 4. Clair Russell**
- 5. Jerrica Russell**
- 6. Katie Forbes**
- 7. Amanda Wrobleski**
- 8. Amy Gareis**

V. Treasurer's Report

A. Financial Report: (Approval of the payment of bills and the transfers and /or advances as presented by the treasurer).

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

VI. Career Center Report

VII. Building Report

Elementary School report given by Emily Brinker

- Last week the elementary side finished up their breakfast with a loved one. We had a great turnout and I think that all families enjoyed spending some time with their little ones.
- Santa's Workshop will be the week of December 4th where students may come in and shop for their loved ones
- Friday, December 8th is the annual drive-thru Christmas parade from 5-7
- 5th grade students and staff will be leaving tomorrow morning for camp fitch and we wish them safe travels
- Teachers have been completing their PAX rewards and at the end of the school year students will have the ability to attend a baseball game for good behavior.

Junior/Senior High School given by Rich Wright

- Juniors will take the ASVAB tomorrow (Wednesday) at 8:00am in the gym
- EGCC is doing Spring registration for all their CCP students on Thursday. Kent's registration day at Southern is December 5th
- PBIS is going to Tri-State Bowling Alley Thursday for our November PBIS reward
- State Testing begins November 30th and goes until December 15th
- Paige Riggs is our November Kiwanis Student of the Month
- Meet the Indians is on Thursday November 16th at 6pm
- Congratulations to our Honor Roll Students they are recognized in the paper, on Social Media, the announcement TV in the lobby, and over the loudspeaker in school where they will receive a sweet treat reward at lunch for their efforts.
- Anti Virus program for 6th graders started back up this past week with Mr. Tom Coffee for character building lessons. Family Recovery will come in the Spring for similar lessons with 7th and 8th graders (Aiming High).

VIII. Superintendent's Report

- Veterans Day assembly went well. Thank you Mrs. Bowling for your excellent planning of this event.
- Parents and relatives have commented on the wonderful time they had at the Special Persons breakfast.
- PBIS – Administrators are researching more programs for students. This program is growing and becoming more successful.

23-192 **Recommend approval of accepting the Best Practice Grants as presented by Ron Sismondo from the Jefferson County Educational Center for the following teachers: Lori Biser, Katie Forbes, and Amanda Wrobleski.**

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Linda Morris

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-193 Recommend approval of the following substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year.
Abigail Cline – teacher
Steven Treadway – teacher
Trisha Sattler – teacher
Rebecca Frischkorn – nurse
Natasha Grim – para professional
Ryan Koontz – teacher
Meeghin Sloan – cafeteria worker & secretary
Amanda Vernon - teacher

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-194 Recommend the Board to approve then and now purchase orders as approved by the Treasurer. (Attachment A)

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-195 Recommend approval of the following policies: (First Reading)

0141.2	6700
0164	7440
2623.02	8120
3120.08	8210
4120.08	8330
5113.01	8600
5320	8650
5330	9160
5330.05	9211
5337	9270
6240	9700.01

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-196 Recommend approval to rescind the last year of Bob Shansky's athletic director's contract previously approved at the April 13, 2021 board meeting.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-197 Recommend approval of the staffing agreement with Shale for Marjorie Hiller as the E-Rate Coordinator for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-198 Recommend approval of the staffing agreement with Shale for Bobby Westover for technology for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-199 Recommend approval of the staffing agreement with Shale for Paige Compton as a certified health worker for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-200 Recommend approval of the staffing agreement with Shale for Jayce Sloan as a certified health worker for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-201 Recommend approval of the three- year technical support agreement with the K Company.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-202 Recommend approval of the maintenance agreement with Gardiner for HVAC and water treatment.

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-203 Recommend approval of Aiden Spahlinger as assistant varsity football coach for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-204 Recommend approval of Brian Spahlinger as assistant varsity football coach for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-205 Recommend approval of a five-year contract for Whitney Tsesmilles.

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-206 Recommend approval of a five-year contract for Greg Sabbato.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-207 Recommend approval of the supplemental contracts for Greg Sabbato and Julie Dowling for MCTA services for Utica Shale for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Abstain

23-208 Recommend approval of the supplemental contract for Julie Dowling for inputting requisitions for the 2023-2024 school year.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Abstain

23-209 Recommend approval of a stipend for Kenadee Pezzano for student counselor work while Mrs. Smith is on leave.

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-210 **Recommend approval of the Art Club field trip to Stray Cats Studio in Beaver Falls, PA on October 24, 2023. Time of departure is 8:00 am and time of return is 2:00 pm.**

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-211 **Recommend approval of the retirement of Larry Rudloff as elementary guidance counselor at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year. Larry has worked at Southern Local for forty-nine years. We wish him well in his future endeavors.**

Moved by Karl Blissenbach

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-212 **Recommend approval of the resignation of Sharon Skeens, para-professional, effective October 23, 2023.**

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-213 **Recommend approval of the agreement with Neola.**

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-214 **Recommend approval of a one-year contract for Tiffani McAfee as a three- hour elementary cafeteria worker.**

Moved by John Sawyer

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

23-215 Recommend approval of a five- year contract for Tammy Phillips.

Moved by Linda Morris

Seconded by Scott Hart

Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

23-216 Recommend approval of an amended Shale supplemental contract for Tammy Phillips.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

23-217 Recommend approval of an amended contract for Emily Brinker.

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes

23-218 Recommendation to go into executive session for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law of rules or state statutes. WHEREAS, as a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of a quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

To consider one or more, as applicable, of the check-marked items with respect to a public employee or official:

- 1. Appointment
- 2. Employment
- 3. Dismissal

- 4. Discipline
- 5. Promotion
- 6. Demotion
- 7. Compensation

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by Karl Blissenbach

Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes

Returned from Executive Session: 8:30 pm

Roll Call: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes

Next Regular Meeting: December 12, 2023 @ 5:30 pm

Adjournment: Time 8:31 pm

Moved by Scott Hart

Seconded by John Sawyer

Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes

Treasurer

President