

South Madison Community School Corporation
Board of School Trustees' Meeting
December 12, 2019

The Board of School Trustees' of South Madison Community School Corporation met in a regular session on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Administrative Services Center with board members Chris Boots, Mark Brizendine, Richard "Buck" Evans, Bill Hutton, Joel Sandefur and Kaye Wolverton present. Board Member Amy McGinnis was unavailable for meeting. Also in attendance were Superintendent Joe Buck, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Curriculum and Instruction Dr. Laura Miller, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum, Instruction and College and Career Readiness Dr. Mark Hall, Business Manager Ken McCarty and Corporation Treasurer Penny Myers. Others in attendance were Maple Ridge Elementary School Principal Valerie Steger, Maple Ridge Elementary School Assistant Principal Luke Bremer, Tom Bannon, Steve Heath, Audra Tilton, Mari Quiggins, Angela Holbert, Emily Paulsen, Heidi Moore, April King, Heather Snodgrass, John Lord (former MRE Principal), Ashley Snyder, Jill Mohr, Connie Jones, friends and family of Maple Ridge Elementary School students Lila Holbert, Carson VanNess, Cora Snyder, Jazlin Riley, Brooklyn Bruce, Cailen Newsom, Declan Dummel, Mallory Cox, and Morgan Bricker.

CALL TO ORDER:

School Board President Chris Boots called the Regular Board of School Trustees' meeting to order beginning at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAYER:

School Board President Chris Boots asked everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and pause for a moment of silence.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA:

Superintendent Joe Buck stated there were no adjustments to the agenda.

COMMENTS FROM PATRONS:

There were no comments from Patrons.

CORE PURPOSE/CORE GOAL/CORE VALUES:

School Board President Chris Boots read the Core Purpose, Core Goal and Core Values.

RECOGNITIONS:

- 2.1 Maple Ridge Elementary School Principal Valerie Steger and Maple Ridge Elementary School Assistant Principal Luke Bremer presented outstanding individuals who have contributed to the success of the school program.

Citizenship:	Jazlin Riley
Trustworthiness:	Brooklyn Bruce
Fairness:	Cailen Newsom
Responsibility:	Declan Dummel
Respect:	Mallory Cox
Caring:	Morgan Bricker
Above and Beyond:	Jill Mohr
Community Partnership:	QT Expressions / Audra Tilton and Mari Quiggins

Board members congratulated students and parents on a job well done.

REPORTS:

- 3.1 Maple Ridge Elementary School Principal Valerie Steger presented Maple Ridge Elementary School annual academic report as reflected in the school district's Students First Strategic Plan. Mrs. Steger reviewed the MRE Vision of One Team, One Mission – Success for All Students, Improve Student Proficiency in Math and English Language Arts, Goal of 90% students passing, and Building focus of improving NWEA Growth scores. Mrs. Steger reviewed ILEARN 2018-2019 testing scores for Grades 3 thru 6 in Language Arts and Math. Mrs. Steger also discussed I-READ scores and state trends for grade 3. School Grade for 2019-2020 has not been released yet. Robotics teacher Ashley Snyder and students Lila Holbert, Carson VanNess and Cora Snyder demonstrated what students are working on and designing and programing in robotics at MRE. Board Member Bill Hutton commented the skills the students are learning are amazing...Job Well Done! Mrs. Steger shared what makes their building successful and also discussed future possibilities. Mrs. Steger expressed appreciation to the Board and Administration for the support for MRE staff and students. Board members expressed appreciation to Mrs. Steger and Mr. Bremer and the MRE staff for all their hard work.

3.2 **Community Chefs Presentation**

Mr. Tom Bannon presented South Madison Community School Corporation with a check from the 2019 Community Chefs event. This event is where school administrators cook for the community with 50% of the proceeds from the event going to all Madison County schools with a high school system. South Madison Community Schools has the second most students enrolled in the county, which helps to determine how Community Hospital distributes the money to schools. The money is to be used for student needs. Mr. Bannon presented a check for \$11,500 to the corporation.

3.3 **Board Committee Reports**

Kaye Wolverton reported on the Fall Advisory Committee Meeting with Family Consumer Science. Marty Klipsch with Building Trades attended a conference at Vincennes University and discussed Dual Credits that they offered. Also Brandon Jessie took students to compete in Purdue's Polytech's Competition and PHHS placed 7th. WEEM Radio students catered a luncheon downtown recently, which gave them great publicity and the students shopped for the Secret Santa for 90 families.

MINUTES AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS:

- 4.1 Richard "Buck" Evans made the motion to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees on November 21, 2019. The motion was seconded by Kaye Wolverton and approved 5 – 0. Chris Boots abstained from vote.
- 4.2 Mark Brizendine made the motion to approve Accounts Payable Vouchers #1378 – 1596. The motion was seconded by Kaye Wolverton and approved 6 – 0.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Bill Hutton made the motion to approve Consent Items 5.1 through 5.7. The motion was seconded by Mark Brizendine and approved 6 – 0.

RESIGNATION

Support Staff

Jay Leibovitz

Instructional Assistant

Pendleton Heights High School

ECA Staff

Jake Childress

Lauren Reifel

Assistant Swim Coach

Diving Coach

Pendleton Heights High School

Pendleton Heights Middle School

RECOMMENDATION

Support Staff

Lavon Bustos

Holly Clem

Kylee Bulington

Special Education Instructional Assistant

Education Instructional Assistant

Special Education Instructional Assistant

Pendleton Elementary School – Primary

Pendleton Elementary School – Primary

Maple Ridge Elementary School

ECA Staff

Holly Williams

Michele Crehan

CTE Director

Assistant Swim/Diving Coach

Pendleton Heights High School

Pendleton Heights Middle School

TRANSFER RECOMMENDATION

Support Staff

Susan Gray

Special Education Instructional Assistant

To:

Maple Ridge Elementary School

Pendleton Elementary School – Primary

LEAVE REQUEST

Rachel Lauerman, Spanish Teacher, Pendleton Heights High School

DONATION APPROVAL

Pendleton Heights Middle School monetary donation from NineStar Connect for PHMS tutoring program

Pendleton Elementary School – Primary, monetary donation to help with Holiday Helping Hands Funds

Pendleton Elementary School – Primary, gift card donations from Pendleton Christina Church for teacher, students and families in need

FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

6.1 Ken McCarty requested contract approval for SafeSchools. Richard “Buck” Evans made the motion to approve the contract with SafeSchools. The motion was seconded by Mark Brizendine and approved 6 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

7.1 Dr. Mark Hall recommended the approval of Introduction to Computer Science for the 2020/2021 school year. This course will provide students with the opportunity to learn the skills and processes needed to develop computer artifacts and codes. Bill Hutton made the motion to approve Computer Science for the 2020/2021 school year. The motion was seconded by Mark Brizendine and approved 6 – 0.

OTHER COMMUNICATION:

8.1 There was no other communication from the public.

8.2 There was no other communication from the Superintendent.

8.3 Bill Hutton shared the Pendleton Town Planning Committee meeting announced Huntzinger Farms addition has 94 lots available and have proposed 409 additional lots.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, Richard “Buck” Evans made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. The motion was seconded by Kaye Wolverton and approved 6 – 0.

Chris Boots, President

Richard “Buck” Evans, Vice President

Bill Hutton, Secretary

Kaye Wolverton, Assistant Secretary

Mark Brizendine, Member

Amy McGinnis, Member

Joel Sandefur, Member

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board of School Trustees of the South Madison Community School Corporation met in Executive Session immediately following the regular board meeting to discuss the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans and system; and when considering the appointment of a public official, to do the following: develop a list of prospective appointees. I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(3)(10)(A).