

**Board of Education Special School Board Meeting  
Southeast Valley Community School District  
Wednesday, September 17, 2025  
Dayton Elementary School Library  
6:30 PM**

The Board of Education of Southeast Valley Community School District met in a regular session. President Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

**Roll Call:**

Shannon Miller, Allan Wicklein, Sean Stewart, Jim Carlson, Katie VanSickle, Joni Hefley and Jeff Ackerson

Absent: None

Additional attendees were, Brian Johnson, Superintendent and Lisa Willardson, Business Manager, Shayden Hefley, Student Body Representative.

Motion by KV, seconded by SS to approve the consent items. Consent items included agenda, minutes from prior meeting, payment of bills presented, personnel changes as presented and any open enrollment requests.

There were no open enrollment requests

Personnel items included:

The hiring of Whitney Anderson as High School Study Hall Monitor (pending background check).

An attendance incentive plan was presented to the board for support staff in response to SF660, in which the state has appropriated money for Iowa schools for supplemental pay. Southeast Valley will receive \$32,187.46.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0

**Committee reports:**

**School Improvement** – None at this time

**Public Relations** –None at this time.

**Facilities & Grounds** –An update on the locker room project was given and a tour of the Dayton School was provided to the board so that they could see the building updates that have occurred.

**Negotiations/Finance** – None at this time.

**Transportation** – None at this time.

Motion by SS, seconded by KV to approve the financials as presented.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0

Administrative reports were provided to the board for each building as well as curriculum. Copies of the reports are available in the Central Office upon request.

A thank you was given to Zach Steinhoff for helping fill in at the High School recently.

Motion by JH, seconded by JC that the board approve the request for Modified Allowable Growth to cover the special 24-25 special education deficit in the amount of \$581,983.32.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0

Motion by JC, seconded by SS to approve the agreement with Grandwood Consortium for the 2025-2026 school year.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0

Motion by JH, seconded by KV to approve extending the current lease to the tenant in the greenhouse residence until June 30, 2026. No changes will be made at this time.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0

A conversation was had regarding the time capsule in Callendar at the old school site. It was placed there in 1976 with instructions to be opened in 50 years. The targeted date at this time is May 30, 2026. Denny Tucker will keep us apprised.

Information regarding the annual school board convention was given out, if anyone was interested in attending.

Motion by JC, seconded by JA to approve the purchase of 2 new vehicles, not to exceed a total of \$85,000 combined. One of the vehicles will be purchased using Special Education funds, as it's sole purpose will be for SPED transportation.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0

Motion by KV, seconded by JH to approve the recommended increases for the daycare employees with the contract for Sara Stevens being retroactive back to September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0

The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at 6:30 PM in the Central Office in Gowrie.

Motion by JA, seconded by KV to adjourn.

Ayes: Miller, Wicklein, Stewart, Carlson, VanSickle, Hefley, Ackerson

Nays: None

Motion carries 7-0