

SOUTH SPENCER COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2025

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

School board President, Melissa Middleton, called the meeting to order.

The following Board Members attended:

- Melissa Middleton – President
- Tyler Hermann – Vice President
- George Schwoeppe - Secretary
- Janet Stoermer – Member
- Laura Blake – Member

Consideration of Routine Items

The agenda of the December 8, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved as presented.

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Laura Blake
Vote: 5-0

The minutes of the November 10, 2025 Regular Board Meeting, were approved as presented.

Motion: Tyler Hermann
Second: Janet Stoermer
Vote: 5-0

Superintendent's Report

Veralyn Neal, Music/Art Teacher at Rockport Elementary, and Students. Rockport Elementary was selected as the exclusive school to represent Indiana on the state tree in Washington DC. Nineteen ornaments were sent.

Consent Items

1. Approved the payroll claim dockets and the accounts payable claims as presented in the board packet.
2. Approved the Treasurer's Financial reports for November 2025.

3. Accepted the resignation of the following, approved to post the positions and granted permission to hire:
 - a. Rhonda Yonts – Luce Elementary Cafeteria Assistant, effective December 4, 2025.

Motion: Janet Stoermer
Second: Laura Blake
Vote: 5-0

Consideration of Administrative Recommendations

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Change to 24 Pays/Year Beginning in August of 2026.

Motion: Tyler Hermann
Second: George Schwoeppe
Vote: 5-0

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Overnight Trip for the Wrestling Team.

Motion: Tyler Hermann
Second: Janet Stoermer
Vote: 5-0

3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Memorandum of Understanding with the Spencer County Sheriff's Office to Provide a School Resource Officer and Criminal Justice Instructor.

Motion: Laura Blake
Second: George Schwoeppe
Vote: 5-0

4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Agreement with City of Rockport to Provide Crossing Guards.

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved School Improvement Plan for South Spencer Middle School.

Motion: Janet Stoermer
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Contract with ENA for Federal E-Rate Services.

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Laura Blake
Vote: 5-0

7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Updated 2025-2026 Non Certified Pay Schedule.

Motion: Tyler Hermann
Second: Janet Stoermer
Vote: 5-0

8. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Declared Bus Surplus and Grant Permission to Sell on Public Surplus.

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

9. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved Physician's Certificate of Student Illness or Incapacity to Attend School Form.

Motion: Tyler Hermann
Second: George Schwoeppe
Vote: 5-0

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved to hire:
 - a. Jennifer Wilhelmus – Key Club Sponsor at SSHS, effective 2025-2026 School Year.
 - b. Barbara Bretz – Special Needs Teaching Assistant at Rockport Elementary, effective November 18, 2025.
 - c. Dylan Kelly – Girls Basketball Assistant Coach at SSHS, effective 2025-2025 School Year.
 - d. Alexis Ling – Girls Elementary Basketball Director, effective 2025-2026 School Year.

- e. Katlyn Ficker – Assistant Cheer Sponsor at SSHS, effective 2025-2026 School Year.
- f. Jeremy Gilmore – Wrestling Helper at SSMS, effective 2025-2026 School Year.

Motion: Laura Blake
Second: Janet Stoermer
Vote: 5-0

Informational Items

These were written reports to the Board.

1. Technology Report
2. Maintenance Report
3. Transportation Report
4. Volunteer List

Statements/Concerns of the Board

Melissa Middleton – congratulations to the Rockport Elementary students for being recognized in Washington DC. It was great seeing a full house at the Harlem Wizards game. Great turnout! South Spencer High School band is putting on a Christmas Concert in the auditorium at 7:00 PM. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our students, staff and their families. Enjoy the quality time with your families and safe travels wherever you go. Hopes everyone returns to school refreshed and ready to crush the 2nd semester. Hopes senior parents are enjoying their seniors this year.

Next Meeting Date

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Monday, January 12, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the multi-purpose room at South Spencer High School.

Adjournment

Time: 6:21 PM

Motion: George Schwoeppe
Second: Tyler Hermann
Vote: 5-0

Document Signing

All Students - All the Time