

Minutes of the Southmont Schools Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting ■ Monday, April 13, 2026

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

-The New Market Girls on the Run Club led the Pledge.

III. Roll Call

Jason Bannon	Present	Brevan Cornelius	Present
Julie Hess	Present	Jerry Kinkead	Present
Eric Mason	Present	David Reeves	Present
Jake Watson	Present	Dr. Stephanie Hofer, Supt.	Present

IV. Welcome and Recognition of Visitors

-Lindsey Nehring & Karen Monts gave a presentation on CIS (Communities In Schools).
 -Student/Staff of the Month were recognized.

V. Revisions to the Agenda

-Approved Amy Pfladderer - Essential Skills Teacher - New Market Elementary.
 -Approved Pamela Myers - Elementary Teacher - Walnut Elementary.
 -Approved Tennis Court and Boiler bids.

Motion:	Mrs. Hess	Second:	Mr. Reeves	Vote:	7-0
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VI. Public Comments

-Megan Noggle, Library Director @ Ladoga Public Library shared they are seeking to issue bonds to add on to the existing building. There is a survey that she would like everyone to complete. Paper or online, it doesn't matter.

VII. Consent Agenda:

Minutes of previous meetings.



Claims/Payroll

Total: \$1,522,616.23

Personnel:

- Approved Loretta Smith - School Psychologist - begin July 1, 2026.
- Approved resignation of Tim Flagg - Social Studies Teacher - Southmont Jr. High - effective May 22, 2026.
- Approved resignation of Darcie Cox - Elementary Teacher - Walnut - effective May 22, 2026.
- Approved resignation of Sydney Bass - Elementary Teacher - Ladoga - effective May 22, 2026.
- Approved maternity leave for Morgan McCance from August 3, 2026 through October 26, 2026.
- Approved Amy Pfladderer - Essential Skills Teacher - New Market Elementary.**
- Approved Pamela Myers - Elementary Teacher - Walnut Elementary.**
- Approved transfer of Ellen Gray from Instructional Assistant to 7th grade Social Studies Sub Teacher due to resignation of Tim Flagg.
- Approved resignation of Carrie Edwards - School Nurse - Ladoga & Walnut - effective May 22, 2026.
- Extra Duty Recommendations: Deryk Bengel, All HS Boys & Girls Bball Season Event Clock/Table Worker - \$1360.00.
- Michael Moulton - Jr. High Assistant Baseball Coach - Volunteer.
- Approved resignation of Katrina Burris - Varsity Assistant Track & Field Coach.
- Rescinded Chris Sering as High School Volunteer Track & Field Coach.
- Approved Chris Sering as Varsity Assistant Track & Field Coach - \$2000.00.
- BPA to Gaylord Opryland Resort, Nashville, TN for BPA National Leadership Conference - May 6-10, 2026.
- Senior Class Trip to Kings Island - date to be determined.
- Approved Bus Driver Trainer Stipend for \$1500.00 per session to train up to 3 bus drivers over the summer.
- Approved the surplus of old machinery from the CTE Department at the high school.
- Approved the Hendricks Regional Health Athletic Trainer contract.
- Approved Tennis Court and Boiler bids.**

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VIII. Items for Action

- 1. Approved increase of Preschool price from \$295.00 to \$300.00. This will pay for breakfast and lunch as well.

Motion:	Mrs. Hess	Second:	Mr. Reeves	Vote:	7-0
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- 2. Approved NEOLA Board Policies Updates.

Motion:	Mr. Bannon	Second:	Mrs.Hess	Vote:	7-0
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IX. Report from Superintendent - Dr. Stephanie Hofer

- Girls on the Run were awesome!
- Working on National STEM certification.
- Great job Mrs. Pinkerton and WES - 95% pass.
- Students and Staff of the Month are special!
- Welcome to Mrs. Loretta Smith as our new school psychologist.
- CIS - Thank you again!
- Highly recommend you complete the Ladoga Library survey.
- Thank you to the Board for approving the bids for tennis courts and boilers.

X. Items for Discussion by the Board

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XI. Adjournment

Motion:	Mrs. Hess	Second:	Mr. Reeves	Vote:	7-0
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Future Meetings:

May 11, 2026 - Regular Meeting - Corporation Board Room - 6:00 PM

June 8, 2026 - Regular Meeting - Corporation Board Room - 6:00 PM

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