

?Salem High School will participate in Experience Works

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? Salem High School Principal Jim Ralston, Custodian Joe England and a Experience Works representative, Linda Edwards meet with the Salem School Board on Monday, October 13, with all members present except for member Tracey Payne, to ask per permission to take part in this Experience Works Program.

Experience Works program is a program to get Seniors 55 or older back in to the workforce by providing them skills that will help them to succeed.

The most qualified applicant will report to England for at least six months of work for a 20 hour work week. Although the school will be providing the work they will not be providing pay for the position. The position will be paid by the Indiana Department of Labor and is a Federal program.

“This is a good opportunity for both parties, this is a win win situation.” stated England.

Currently Washington County has six members enrolled with two more looking to enroll.

The second reading of revised policies 1200,1205,1300,2121,2130, 2140 and 3120 were approved.

First Harrison Bank gave \$300 for Salem Middle School snacks during ISTEP week. The money was approved to be put in the Healthy Snacks accounts. Shane Dowling also gave \$222.15 to be put in the same account

“Banks have been tremendous in helping with the various things the school needs.” stated Superintendent Dr. Reed.

The board approved to continue the contribution amount towards non-certified employees health insurance premiums for 2009.

According to Assistant Superintendent Kim Thurston in 2008 the amount contributed was \$16,806.72 and in 2009 due to retirements the contribution cost will be \$10,607.40.

According to Dr. Thurston the School corporation did receive an advance draw of property tax money in the amount of \$1.4 million from the courthouse.

The board gave approval to Athletic Director Ron Johnson to move forward with the scrolling advertising sign from Slam Dunk Sports Marketing to be located in the SHS gym on the East side under the scoreboard.

According to a representative with Salem Dunk Sports Marketing the school along with the company will split the advertising profits 50/50 with the school to make at least \$5,000 after the first year.

Superintendent Dr. Reed notified the school corporation that the city of Salem received a \$244,000 grant to improve sidewalks near the school. This will help walkers in their way to school.

The board also approved the following:

To move the ECA account to First Harrison; Declare materials scrap to use for revenue; To continue Afternoon Rocks at Salem Middle School starting the first week of November; Accept a \$2000 donation from Salem Education Foundation which will be divided into \$500 per school and change the December meeting to December 1 at 6 p.m.

The next regular scheduled Salem School Board meeting will be November 10 at 6:30 p.m.