

MINUTES

WEST LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
1130 N. Salisbury Street
West Lafayette, Indiana

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
Monday March 5, 2018

PRESENT: Mr. Alan R. Karpick; Dr. Karen S. Springer; Mr. Bradley Marley; Mrs. Rachel Witt; Mr. Thomas H. Schott; Mr. Brian J. Bittner Mrs. Melissa Prochnau; Mr. Robert C. Reiling, Jr.; Mr. Ross Sloat and Dr. Rocky Killion, Superintendent.

ABSENT: None

President Karpick called the meeting to order at 6:46 P.M.

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

A. A motion was made to approve the agenda for the Monday March 5, 2018, Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees.

Motion by: Mr. Schott

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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B. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees held on February 5, 2018.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mrs. Witt

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II. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE - None

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Academic Achievement – Jr. Sr. HS Academic Presentation

Dr. Killion reported the Jr. Sr. High School has formed a committee to review the graduation process. Mr. Dan Walbaum, Mrs. Becky Creech, and Mrs. Libby Sheffield presented to the Board on behalf of the committee the results of their research to recognize outstanding graduates. The first recommendation is to change to the Latin Honor system recognizing top 10%, 20%, 30% of the graduating class. The second recommendation is to count the 8th semester. And third recommendation is to adopt a plus and minus that would impact grade point average. The new graduation process would be implemented for 2020 graduation. Grades would start August 2018.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the recommended new graduation process to recognize outstanding graduates.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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B. Academic Achievement – Happy Hollow Academic Achievement Presentation

Dr. Killion reported Happy Hollow would like to recommend a report card change prescribed by the Indiana Department of Education. Mrs. Margaret Psarros and Mrs. Stephanie Qualio presented to the Board on behalf

of their literacy team. We offer our staff professional development, book study, and leadership classrooms. In addition, we offer inclusion classrooms for students for math, reading and spelling. After much research including a review of the IDOE stats, we've come to the conclusion the spelling block should not have its own grade. We've learned spelling is really embedded in the Language Arts block and would promote long term spelling memorization through reading and writing. The recommendation is to remove the spelling and language off report cards and add Language Arts.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the removal of Spelling and Language from report cards and add Language Arts.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mr. Bittner

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C. Academic Achievement – Jr. Sr. High School Construction

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended the School Board of Trustees approve the following the Resolutions.

- 1) Adopt resolution determining need for Project.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Determining Need for Project resolution.

Motion by: Mrs. Prochnau

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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- 2) Adopt resolution reapproving formation of Building Corporation.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Formation of Building Corporation resolution.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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- 3) Adopt resolution approving preliminary plans, form of Lease and authorizing publication of notice of Lease hearing.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve preliminary plans, form of Lease and authorizing publication of notice of Lease hearing.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mrs. Prochnau

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- 4) Adopt resolution awarding contracts and assigning bids to Building Corporation, when received.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the awarding contracts and assigning bids to Building Corporation.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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D. Summer School/Camps

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended to Board of School Trustees to approve the summer school and summer enrichment camps for 2018. Programs will be limited because of the construction at Cumberland Elementary. The high school will access to Indiana Online Academy. Cost is \$225 per student; student pays \$50 tech fee. The state will reimburse some if not all the cost. In addition, the band camps will be offered.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the summer school and summer enrichment camps for 2018.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mr. Bittner

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E. Wonderful Weekdays Program

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the renewal of the Wonderful Weekdays program. Some adjustments to the agreement have been made based on space availability because of the construction. Fees remain the same.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Wonderful Weekdays agreement.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Dr. Springer

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F. Memorial Tee – Bob Friend Field

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended the School Board of Trustees approve a memorial tree to be placed in Bob Friend Field. Friends and members of the Morrissey family would like to honor Thomas Morrissey with a memorial tree behind Bob Friend Field.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve a memorial tree to be placed in Bob Friend Field.

Motion by: Mr. Bittner

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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G. Overnight Field Trip

Recommendation: Mr. Karpick recommended the School Board of Trustees approve the Field Trips.

H.S. Swim & Dive Team to State Meet at IUPUI Indianapolis: Feb. 9-10, 2018

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Happy Hollow 5th Grade Camp to Camp Tecumseh: April 30 – May 4, 2018

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees to approve the above listed Field Trip.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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H. Personnel Report

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve all information contained in the report.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the administrative requests and names reflected in the Personnel Report.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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I. Accounts Payable Vouchers

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the audited accounts payable vouchers as presented. Total claims \$2,347,839.82. Payments include construction cost. Transportation budget includes payments to TSC for miscellaneous bus repairs and the annual fee to take care of our buses. We are very happy with the service.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the audited accounts payable vouchers as presented.

Motion by: Mrs. Prochnau

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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V. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD – none

VI. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Public Schools Foundation – Melissa Prochnau reported the Cupcake Run registration is now open. The run will be September 23rd. The Grant cycle applications are due this evening at midnight online.

Community Council – Melissa Prochnau reported Boiler Blast will be April 7, 2018.

Policy Committee – Rachel Witt reported the committee continues to review Board Policies.

Special Education Committee – Rachel Witt reported the committee has had the first meeting.

Third House – Brian Bittner reported senate bill 217 passed. Bill addresses inadequate screening for dyslexia.

Parks Department Karen Springer reported the Riverside Ice Skating rink is closed for the season. The 2017 Annual Parks Department report is available on the City of West Lafayette website. The first draft of the Recreation Center Visibility study results will be presented to the Redevelopment Commission on Wednesday March 21 at 8:30am at Morton Community Center. This is public meeting. Also, from 7-8pm the city will host a town hall meeting about the visibility study

Superintendent – Rocky Killion reported the Teacher Discussion meeting included the following topics, facilities and construction updates, Food Service, Summer School, HS graduation recognition, Happy Hollow report card, Fundraising. Westside Story will be held on April 21st.

VII. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE - None

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

Wed. March 7th – Work Session, TSC Central Office, 6:30 P.M.

Mon. April 2nd – Regular Board Meeting, Floyd Administration Office 6:30 P.M.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

PERSONNEL REPORT

I. ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

II. CERTIFIED STAFF

A. Employment:

1. Chrzan, Vicki: Substitute Third Grade Teacher – Cumberland Elem.; effective Apr. 6 – May 18, 2018

B. Retirement:

1. Bowers, Kim: Principal – Cumberland Elem.; effective end 2017-2018 school year

C. Resignation:

- 1. **Nielson, Kaitlyn: First Grade Teacher – Cumberland Elem.;** effective May 23, 2018

D. Leave:

- 1. **Rippy, Whitney: Third Grade Teacher – Cumberland Elem.;** effective approx. Apr. 9 – May 20th, 2018

III. CLASSIFIED STAFF

A. Employment:

- 1. **Burnett, Thomas: Substitute Bus Driver;** effective Feb. 26, 2018
- 2. **Oh, Hyung Kyum: Paraprofessional – Happy Hollow School;** effective Feb. 12, 2018
(Replacement for Andrea Criss)

B. Resignation:

- 1. **Bogan, Stacy: Fitness Room/Recess Supervisor – Happy Hollow Elem.;** effective Mar. 7, 2018
- 2. **Byroad, Julie: Food Service – Jr. Sr. High School;** effective Feb. 7, 2018
- 3. **Rudolf, Gary: Lunchroom Supervisor - Cumberland Elem;** effective Feb. 9, 2018 (revised date)

C. Leave:

- 1. **Alford, Tamara: Paraprofessional – Happy Hollow Elem.;** effective March 29 – April 2, 2018

IV. ATHLETIC STAFF

Employment:

Brandon Cebulla	HS Baseball	Assistant	IV	0	Mar 11, 18 - Jun 15, 18
Dan Dawson	HS Boys Basketball	Assistant	II	9+	Jan 3, 18 – Mar 23, 18
Nick Moody	HS Baseball	Assistant	IV	1	Mar 11, 18 - Jun 15, 18 (50%)
Megan Warren	HS Softball	Assistant	Vol	n/a	Mar 4, 18 - Jun 8, 18
Margaret Maysek	HS Softball	Assistant	IV	1	Mar 4, 18 - Jun 8, 18 (50%)
Taylor Lee	HS Softball	Assistant	IV	1	Mar 4, 18 - Jun 8, 18 (50%)

Resignations:

Ken Walker, JH Boys Track Volunteer Assistant Coach, effective Feb 1, 2018

Sydney Calhoun, JH Boys Track Volunteer Assistant Coach, effective Feb 1, 201