

West Lafayette Community School Corporation

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TO: Board of School Trustees

FROM: Dr. Shawn Greiner, Superintendent
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RE: WLSEF Donation and Future Fundraising Discussion

The West Lafayette Education Foundation (WLSEF) has fundraised money in the past for renovations to the West Lafayette Junior/Senior High School. They currently have approximately \$1.6 million that they would like to transfer to the school corporation for the purposes of commencing ground floor renovations including locker rooms and restrooms that will be utilized by all students. We will be asking in April that the Board accept these funds into the school corporation accounts to be tracked separately in a construction fund specifically for the ground floor renovations.

The Fanning Howey study of the ground floor is included in your board packets for consideration. The study outlines different projects that could be completed on the ground floor to meet the needs of both academics and athletics at the high school. As can be seen, the cost of the renovations is more than the funding that is currently available. The WLSEF Executive Board believes that they have the ability to continue fundraising efforts to fully fund the Phase I project of the ground floor as well as work towards funding the Phase II through IV projects. We will also be asking in April that the Board approve WLSEF moving forward with continued fundraising efforts.

This item will be purely for discussion at the March 4, 2024 board meeting and will be brought back for an official recommendation at the April 8, 2024 board meeting.