

MINUTES

WEST LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Happy Hollow Building, LGI Room
1200 N. Salisbury Street
West Lafayette, Indiana

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES Monday, May 2, 2022

PRESENT: Mrs. Rachel Witt; Mr. Bradley Marley; Mr. Thomas Schott; Mr. Alan Karpick; Dr. Karen Springer; Mrs. Amy Austin; Dr. Yue Yin; Mr. Stephen Ohlhaut, CFO; and Dr. Shawn Greiner, Superintendent

President Witt called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

A. A motion was made to approve the agenda for the Monday, May 2, 2022, 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 April 4, 2022.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mrs. Austin

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II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

III. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Student Recognition

Dr. Greiner presented the "Red Devil Pride Way to Go" Award Program. The following recipients were selected this month by their school teachers and administrators for exemplifying our school corporation mission and good citizenship.

West Lafayette Elementary School:

Keller Jenkins - Kindergarten

Emerson Gustus - 3rd Grade

West Lafayette Intermediate School:

Kellen Scott - 5th Grade

Logan Deford - 6th Grade

West Lafayette Jr Sr High School:

Alivia Lewis - 8th Grade

Fischer Trosky - 8th Grade

CONGRATULATIONS to these students; we're PROUD of you!

IV. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE (current Agenda items) - None

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **New School Board Policy**

Recommendation: Due to changes in Indiana Code, the following policies are new and require two readings. Dr. Greiner presented the following policies to the Board for the first reading. These will be voted on during the June 6, 2022 Board meeting.

- Policy 0164.5 - Member Participation in Meetings Through Electronic Means of Communication
- Policy 0164.6 - Meetings During Disaster Emergencies

Discussion ensued.

B. **School Board Policy Revisions**

Recommendation: Due to changes in Federal Law and Indiana Code, the following policies are being recommended by the Policy Committee. *The following policies require only one reading:*

- Policy 1422 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (Revised)
- Policy 3122 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (Revised)
- Policy 4122 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (Revised)

- Policy 2260 - Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity (Revised)

- Policy 1422.02 - Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee (Revised)
- Policy 3122.02 - Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee (Revised)
- Policy 4122.02 - Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee (Revised)

- Policy 1623 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Revised)
- Policy 2260.01 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination Based on Disability (Revised)
- Policy 3123 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Revised)
- Policy 4123 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Revised)

- Policy 1662 - Anti-Harassment (Revised)
- Policy 3362 - Anti-Harassment (Revised)
- Policy 4362 - Anti-Harassment (Revised)
- Policy 5517 - Anti-Harassment (Revised)

- Policy 0164.4 - Meeting of the Board Defined (Revised)
- Policy 0167.1 - Emergency & Electronic Meetings (Revised)

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the revisions of policies 1422, 3122, 4122, 2260, 1422.02, 3122.02, 4122.02, 1623, 2260.01, 3123, 4123, 1662, 3362, 4362, 5517, 0164.4 and 0167.1.

Motion by: Mr. Karpick

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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C. **Return to In-Person Learning**

Recommendation: Dr. Greiner recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve the update to the Return to In-Person Learning making masks optional on the school buses.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Return to In-Person Learning update

making masks optional on the school buses.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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D. Continuing Disclosure

Recommendation: As an issuer of municipal bonds, the West Lafayette Community School Corporation must provide information about any material changes to the financial condition of the school corporation to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board via the Electronic Municipal Market Access System (EMMA) on an annual basis or as the changes occur. Mr. Ohlhaut requested a motion and recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the Engagement Letter with Baker Tilly for continuing disclosure services.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Engagement Letter with Baker Tilly for continuing disclosure services.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mr. Karpick

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E. Waiver of Protected Taxes Resolution

Recommendation: The State of Indiana allows eligible school corporations to apply for a waiver from the implementation of protected taxes under IC 6-1.1-20.6-9.8, which allows circuit breaker credits to be allocated proportionally across all funds that are not exempt from circuit breaker credits without regard for whether the fund is a debt service fund. Mr. Ohlhaut requested a motion and recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the Waiver of Protected Taxes Resolution.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Waiver of Protected Taxes Resolution.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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F. Title Adoption of Textbooks and Course Fees for 2022-2023

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut provided a list of proposed textbook rental fees for the Elementary, Intermediate and Junior-Senior High Schools and requested the Board of School Trustees approve the fees for the 2022-2023 school year.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Title Adoption of Textbooks and Course Fees for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mrs. Austin

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G. Food Service Bids

Recommendation: Mrs. FitzSimons, Food Service Director, presented the current West Indy Cooperative food service bids and requested the Board of School Trustees approve the renewal for the 2022-2023 school year.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the West Indy Cooperative food service bids for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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H. Valuation Services

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve the quote from Buckland and Associates to provide a new accounting report on fixed asset property, buildings, land and equipment. The fixed asset report is required by the State Board of Accounts.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the quote from Buckland and Associates for an initial report of fixed asset property, building, land and equipment.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mr. Karpick

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I. WLCSC Health Clinic

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve the contract between the WLCSC and Everside Health to provide free, clinic services to employees beginning September 1, 2022. The program is funded with ESSER Funds.

Discussion ensued.

Dr. Yin made a motion to table the vote on the Health Clinic until the June Board meeting. The motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the agreement between WLCSC and Everside Health to begin providing health services to WLCSC employees on September 1, 2022.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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Dr. Yin - abstained

J. Schuster Consulting Agreement

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve the agreement between WLCSC and Schuster Consulting to provide energy consulting services which includes energy consumption analysis, analyze natural gas and energy markets, in addition to, providing recommendations on natural gas procurement and risk mitigation services.

Discussion ensued.

Motion by: Mr. Karpick

Seconded by: Mrs. Austin

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K. School Board of Trustees Calendar

Mrs. Witt discussed 2022-2023 calendar options with the Board of School Trustees. She requested input from all Board members in regards to a day and time of the week for the August 2022 – July 2023 meetings.

Discussion ensued.

L. Cancellation of the July 11, 2022 Board Meeting

Recommendation: Dr. Greiner requested the approval of canceling the July 11, 2022 School Board meeting. This will allow members to engage in retreats and team-building workshops.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the cancellation of the July 11, 2022 School Board of Trustees meeting.

Motion by: Mr. Karpick

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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M. Aquatic Center Summer Programs

Dr. Greiner provided a brief summary of the summer aquatics programs being offered at the WLCSC Aquatic Center. Day camps, swimming lessons, adult swim, pre-team swim teams, mermaid camps and private lessons are a few of the fun-filled programs that are available. More information is located on the WLCSC website.

Discussion ensued.

N. 2023 Budget Calendar

Mr. Ohlhaut presented the 2023 calendar. This calendar provides dates and deadlines of budget workshops, submission of budget reports, public hearings, meetings and so forth.

Discussion ensued.

O. Check Removal

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut reported that Indiana State Statute requires outstanding checks, of more than two years, to be removed from the books.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the removal of outstanding checks.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mrs. Austin

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P. Personnel Report

Recommendation: Dr. Greiner 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 names and positions reflected in the Personnel Report.

Motion by: Mr. Schott

Seconded by: Mr. Karpick

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Dr. Greiner extended a heartfelt welcome to Mrs. Anna Roth who was appointed as the new WLCSC Assistant Superintendent effective July 1, 2022. Mrs. Roth thanked the interview committee, the community, and the School Board of Trustees for their confidence and trust in her new role with

the West Lafayette Community School Corporation .

Q. Accounts Payable

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut recommended that the Board approve the audited claims in the report. The total claims paid: \$3,0007,822.23.

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

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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VI. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

Mrs. Witt shared that she received a letter from Mr. Dennis Costerison, Executive Director for the Indiana Association of School Business Officials. The letter congratulated Mr. Ohlhaut on completing required courses for the IASBO certification program which requires 99 hours of instruction.

The Indiana School Boards Association, Region IV, awarded the West Lafayette Community School Corporation with a Commendable level of Indiana School Board Association Exemplary Governance Awards program for the calendar year of 2021. The WLCSC Board is intentional about and committed to continuous professional development and this marks our 20+ year as a Commendable Board.

VII. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Dr. Greiner - Congratulated the West Lafayette Wind Ensemble earned a coveted spot among 16 bands around the state.

Teacher Appreciation Week – on behalf of the Administration and School Board of Trustees, a sincere appreciation goes out to all of our educators for their dedication and commitment to education. Dr. Greiner reflected back on a teacher who made an impact on him and noted the importance of teachers in student’s lives.

RFP Legal Services deadline has closed. Four proposals were received with one firm declining. A committee has been formed and will meet to review and discuss the applications.

Mr. Karpick - The Wall of Pride was held on April 7th and 8th. He commended Mrs. Ailor and Mr. Schott for their time and effort with this remarkable event.

Graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 27th at 7 p.m., and thirty-two scholarships, totaling \$33,000, will be awarded at a reception prior to graduation.

Mr. Marley – Economic Development Commission approved a 5-year tax abatement on personal property and investment relating to the expansion of the Rolls Royce plant operation (which is outside the WLCSC taxing district).

Mr. Schott - The second semester teacher grants were received and awarded five applications/five grants totaling about \$8000.

The Senior Legacy Project at the JSHS will be a flag mural that will replace the flags that hung in the cafeteria area.

Homecoming will be held September 9, 2022 with more information forthcoming.

Dr. Springer -The Parks and Recreation Board, eighty people provided input to the Happy Hollow Park survey which was conducted in March. The survey was designed to receive public input on

additional activities. The survey was a joint effort between the West Lafayette Parks and Recreation Department and a Purdue Anthropology Professor.

The fourth and final G.L.A.S.S. governing board meeting for the school year was held on April 19th. G.L.A.S.S. did receive the Federal American Rescue Plan Funding for school age children at \$1.3 million dollars. The money has to be expended by September 30, 2023 with the funds going to certified and non-certified staff, special education training, an additional nurse, behavioral therapist, conference travel, supplies, technology, etc.

G.L.A.S.S. has many certified staff openings for the 2022-2023 school year. If anyone is interested, please contact G.L.A.S.S. for more information.

Board/Teacher discussion was held on April 21, 2022. Discussion included an update concerning student transportation, two professional development days for 2022-23 and new legislative requirements related to E-Learning.

The policy committee continues to meet every two to three weeks to work on policy revisions that are mandated by the Federal Government and Indiana State Law.

Mrs. Austin – The Tippecanoe Foundation continues to work on the upcoming cupcake walk.

The Legislative Session is out of session.

Community Council will return in the fall of 2022.

Discussion ensued.

VIII. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Troy Janes, Parent - West Lafayette (Public Comment on Agenda Items)

IX. FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday, June 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. - Regular Board Meeting, Happy Hollow Building, LGI Room

X. UPCOMING DATES of INTEREST

Reception for WLCSC Retirees: Monday, June 6, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. - HH LGI with recognition during the Board Meeting.

XI. INFORMATION for the PUBLIC

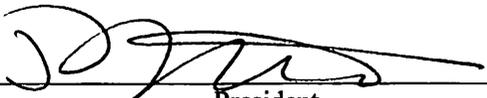
Board documents and audio from the May 2, 2022 meeting will be posted on the WLCSC website within 7-10 days following the Board meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Motion by: Mr. Schott

Seconded by: Dr. Springer

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President



Secretary