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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, January 9, 2023

PRESENT: Mrs. Rachel Witt; Mr. Bradley Marley; Mr. Thomas Schott; Mrs. Amy Austin; Dr. Yue Yin; Mrs. Dacia Mumford; Mr. Laurence Wang; Dr. Shawn Greiner, Superintendent; Mrs. Anna Roth, Assistant Superintendent; and Mrs. Michelle Cronk, CFO

President Witt called the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m.

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

A. A motion was made to approve the agenda for the Monday, January 9, 2023 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 December 12, 2022.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

Vote: 7 of 7

II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

III. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT/SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Dr. Greiner, Mrs. Roth and Mrs. Cronk shared several noteworthy end of the year events that occurred before break and events that will be forthcoming at each of the schools.

We're PROUD of our students, staff and volunteers!

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

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution: Additional Check Runs

Recommendation: The school corporation regularly incurs expenses that must be paid on a timely basis outside of normally-scheduled meetings to avoid late fees and/or penalties. Mrs. Cronk is requesting approval to process any necessary, additional check runs outside of the regular Board meeting schedule for 2023.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve any necessary additional check runs outside of the regular Board meeting schedule for 2023.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

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B. Donations: JSHS Band and Debate Team

Recommendation: Dr. Greiner requested approval/acceptance of the monetary donations made to the West Lafayette JSHS Band and the Debate Team.

The donation, in the amount of \$1,000, made to the JSHS Band will be used towards to the purchase of a marching band tower.

The donation, in the amount of \$2,000, made to the Debate team is for a new podium and gavel.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the monetary donations of \$1,000 to the JSHS Band and \$2,000 to the Debate Team.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

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C. Field Trip: West Lafayette Bands

Recommendation: The West Lafayette Bands submitted a request to attend the Blue Man Group at the Briar Street Theatre in Chicago, IL on Saturday, February 11, 2023 as a student enrichment for music performance opportunity.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the West Lafayette Bands field trip request to attend the Blue Man Group at the Briar Street Theatre in Chicago, IL on February 11, 2023.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mrs. Austin

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D. Personnel Report

Recommendation: Dr. Greiner recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve all information contained in the personnel 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: Mrs. Austin

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E. Accounts Payable/Finance Update

Recommendation: Mrs. Cronk recommended that the Board approve the audited claims in the report.

The total claims paid:

Corporation Claims - \$5,396,511.64

WVEC Claims - \$214,604.01

Total Claims Paid - \$5,611,115.65

Discussion ensued.

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 -

A Work Session will be held in February to discuss Board Bylaw 143.1 regarding public expression of Board members.

Board Committee Assignments for 2023 will be completed prior to the February 13, 2023 Board meeting. President Witt will speak with each Board member and solicit requests for Board member engagements.

VII. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Dr. Greiner -

Indiana Governor Holcomb announced his 2023 Next Level Agenda which includes investments in K-12 education. The items related to education focus on the following topics:

- Increased funding to tuition support focusing on increasing teacher salaries (6% in 2024 and 2% in 2025)
- Local incentives to recognize increased student literacy
- Free textbooks
- STEM education
- Early learning and childcare
- School safety
- College affordability

Mrs. Austin has been assigned to represent Legislative issues.

Professional Development will be held on February 10th for staff (no school for students).

Mrs. Brooks will be retiring at the end of the 2022-2023 school year. We are grateful for her 37 years of service and dedication with the West Lafayette Community School Corporation Music Department.

Mr. Marley -

The Redevelopment Commission will meet on January 18, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. at MARGERUM City Hall. Discussions continue in regards to the construction taking place on Lindberg Road. This project includes a new sidewalk, multi-use asphalt trail and stormwater drainage improvements.

Mr. Schott -

Scholarships are awarded to West Lafayette High School graduates by the West Lafayette Schools Education Foundation every year. The scholarships are made possible through generous donations from community members. Seniors can pick up applications from the guidance office or by visiting <https://hs.wl.k12.in.us/departments/counseling/scholarship-information>. Applications must be submitted by February 1st.

Grants were awarded to athletic coaches in December 2022 through the John Taylor Athletic Endowment. The grants went to coaches in volleyball, women's soccer and softball to support them in their leadership roles.

Congratulations to three West Lafayette Community School Corporation teachers for receiving grants through the West Lafayette Schools Education Foundation. The grants went to Mr. Pete VonWerder (JSHS), Mrs. Katie Dodds (WLIS) and Mrs. Nicole Spurlock (WLES).

The West Lafayette Schools Education Foundation is partnering with EPICS at Purdue University to enhance the Backpack Program. The students are currently designing/building a bagging carousel to aid the volunteers in packing the food each week. EPICS is a service-learning design program in which teams of students partner with local and global community organizations to address human, community and environmental needs. EPICS was founded at Purdue University in the Fall of 1995.

Mrs. Austin -

Participated in the ISBA Legislative Action Meeting on January 5, 2023 and learned there will probably be in the neighborhood of two hundred bills over the next four months that will impact education.

The ISBA Statehouse Day will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 in Indianapolis.

Dr. Yin -

No Committee Reports at this time.

Mrs. Mumford -

Reported that she plans to continue providing her own summaries of the Board meetings to share with the community.

Mr. Wang -

No Committee Reports at this time.

VIII. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE - None

IX. FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. - Regular Board Meeting, Happy Hollow Building, LGI Room

X. UPCOMING DATES of INTEREST

MLK Day: Monday, January 16, 2023 (no school)

Staff Professional Development: Friday, February 10, 2023 (no school for students)

Snow Make-up Day #1: Monday, February 20, 2023 (no school if make-up day is not needed)

Spring Break: Monday, March 13, 2023 – Friday, March 17, 2023

School Resumes: Monday, March 20, 2023 and 4th 9-Week Grading Period begins

XI. INFORMATION for the PUBLIC

Board documents and audio from the January 9, 2023 meeting will be posted on the WLCSC website within 7-10 days following the Board meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mrs. Austin

Vote: 7 of 7



President



Secretary