Approved Minutes

Warrick County School Corporation Board of School Trustees April 24, 2023

The Warrick County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on April 24, 2023, at 7:00 pm with the following Board Members present: Mrs. Jane Wilhelmus, Ms. Brenda Metzger, Mr. Eric Franz, Mr. Jeff Baker, Mr. Tim Mosbey, Mr. Jordan Aigner and Mrs. Lynda Glover. YouTube is the electronic means of communication used by the public to attend remotely.

President Wilhelmus called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent, Dr. Todd Lambert introduced the 2022-2023 Student Think Tank. They are:

- Kasey "Owen" Phillips Boonville High School, Grade 11
- Hudson Nelson Boonville High School, Grade 12
- Jaiden Wilson-Fulks Boonville High School, Grade 12
- Jenna Smith Castle High School, Grade 10
- Alyssa Korba Castle High School, Grade 11
- Eli Hocking Castle High School, Grade 12
- Grace Mullins Castle High School, Grade 12
- Savannah Murphy Castle High School, Grade 12
- Waylon Jernigan Tecumseh High School, Grade 10
- Trenton Schaefer Tecumseh High School, Grade 11
- Tyler Beach Tecumseh High School, Grade 12

Superintendent, Dr. Todd Lambert introduced the 2022-2023 District Advisory Team. They are:

- Amanda Cook representing Chandler Elementary School
- Jayme Tevault representing Elberfeld Elementary School
- Sara Brown representing John H. Castle Elementary School
- Charlotte Aylsworth representing Loge Elementary School
- Melissa Haley representing Lynnville Elementary School
- Jean Immanuel representing Newburgh Elementary School
- Candice Carroll representing Oakdale Elementary School
- Vicki Freeman representing Sharon Elementary School
- Lacie Melhiser representing Tennyson Elementary School
- Megan Fakih representing Yankeetown Elementary School
- Charlotte Lindsey representing Boonville Middle School
- Nellie Hohne representing Castle North Middle School
 Nicole Taylor representing Castle South Middle School
- Ashley Herr representing Tecumseh Middle School
- Melinda Ensley representing Boonville High School
- Tiffany Bonnell representing Castle High School
- Melissa Pemberton representing Tecumseh High School

Patron Concerns

None

Consideration of Routine Items

A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve the following routine items:

- Minutes of the School Board Meeting held on April 10, 2023.
- Claims and docket for April 24, 2023.

Motion carried.

Consideration of Items for Board Action

- A. Mrs. Wilhelmus recessed the regularly scheduled board meeting in order to conduct a public hearing on the proposed Superintendent Contract. Notice of this public meeting was published on the school corporation's website. A copy of the proposed Superintendent Contract was also posted on the school corporation's website. No patrons came forward to provide comments on the same. The Board will consider action at the next meeting on May 8, 2023. The hearing was closed and the regularly scheduled board meeting reconvened.
- **B.** A motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Ms. Metzger to approve a donation request from Tecumseh High School principal, Mr. Jason Fischer, in the amount of \$500 from Toyota's Benevity Program on behalf of Shelby Hess. This donation will be used to benefit the Tecumseh High School Softball program.

Motion carried.

C. A motion was made by Mr. Franz and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve a donation request from Castle North Middle School Principal, Mr. John Bertram, in the amount of \$1,850 from the Newburgh Garden Club. This donation will be used on supplies for the Castle North Middle School Garden Club.

Motion carried.

D. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve a donation request from Oakdale Elementary School Principal, Mrs. Jamie Pryor, in the amount of \$115.77 from the Warrick Public Education Foundation (WPEF). This donation will be used to work with students with dyslexia and writing tools.

Motion carried.

E. A motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mr. Mosbey to approve a donation request from John H. Castle Elementary School Principal, Mr. Adam Schmitt, in the amount of \$1,000 from the National Wildlife Foundation. This donation will be used for the creation and continued maintenance of a pollinator garden.

Motion carried.

F. A motion was made by Ms. Metzger and seconded by Mr. Aigner to approve a donation request from Newburgh Elementary School Principal, Dr. Holly Arnold, in the amount of \$3,000 from Newburgh Youth Basketball, Inc. This donation will be used to purchase bleacher curtains.

Motion carried.

G. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Mosbey to approve a donation request from Chandler Elementary School Principal, Mrs. Stephanie Henrich, in the amount of \$9,632.33 from the Chandler PTO. This donation will be used to purchase furniture for the school library renovation.

Motion carried.

H. Superintendent, Dr. Todd Lambert conducted the second reading of proposed *Policy* 6700 - Federal Funds. This new policy covers how Federal Funds are utilized within the school corporation. Following the reading, a motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Ms. Metzger to adopt the policy as written.

Motion carried.

I. The second reading of the updated *Policy 4130 - Student Remediation, Retention, Promotion* was conducted by Dr. Lambert. This policy has been revised with updated language. Following the reading, a motion was made by Mr. Mosbey and seconded by Mrs. Glover to approve the revised policy as written.

Motion carried.

J. The second reading of the updated *Policy 4210 - Kindergarten and Grade One Entrance Age Requirements* was conducted by Dr. Lambert. This policy has been revised with updated language. Following the reading, a motion was made by Mr. Franz and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve the revised policy as written.

Motion carried.

K. A motion was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Ms. Metzger to approve the addition of the following high school offerings for the 2023-2024 school year: Personal Finance and Banking.

Motion carried.

L. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve Yankeetown Elementary School Principal, Mr. David McConnell, to enter into a contract with Jumping Jacks Entertainment to be used at Field Day on May 24, 2023.

Motion carried.

M. A motion was made by Ms. Metzger and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve Lynnville Elementary School Principal, Mr. Gene Raber, to enter into a contract with Backyard Blasts to be used at Field Day on May 24, 2023.

Motion carried.

N. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Baker to approve Boonville High School Principal, Dr. Mike Whitten, to enter into a contract with Backyard Blasts to be used at their Senior event on May 18, 2023.

Motion carried.

O. A motion was made by Mr. Aigner and seconded by Mr. Mosbey to award the contract for the Castle North Middle School and Boonville Middle School Gymnasium HVAC to Deig Bros. Construction. Based upon the solicitation for proposals, review of the bids for completeness, and responsiveness to the specifications and scope of work, it was determined that Deig Bros. Construction was the apparent low bidder for the project. This contract excludes the alternate use of Victaulic fittings.

Motion carried.

P. A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Ms. Metzger to award the contract for Refuse Collection to Waste Management. Based upon the solicitation for proposals, review of the bids for completeness, and responsiveness to the specifications and scope of work, it was determined that Waste Management was the apparent low bidder. The motion passed unanimously, with Mr. Aigner abstaining.

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

Human Resources Director, Dr. Doug Gresham presented the following recommendations for employment:

- **A.** A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Franz to approve the following positions:
 - Andrea Stepro Special Education Teacher at Tecumseh High School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Allison Keys Art Teacher at Elberfeld and Lynnville Elementary Schools for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Emily West Special Education (ED) Teacher at Castle High School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Christy Stone 4th Grade Teacher at Newburgh Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Elizabeth Priest Special Education (LD) Teacher at Castle High School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Bridget Parker ELA Teacher at Castle South Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year (currently Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School)
 - Courtney Browder Assistant Principal at Castle High School for the 2023-2024 school year (Currently Media Specialist at Tecumseh High School)
 - Jorge Algarin-Santos Spanish Teacher at Castle High School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Dane Russell Special Education Teacher at Boonville Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Lindsay Haynes 5th Grade Teacher at Oakdale Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Abigail Rosignol Language Arts Teacher at Castle High School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Nicholas Gordon ENL Teacher at John H Castle Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Kelsi Cobb Special Education Teacher at Castle South Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Jennifer Blessinger Clerical Aide at Castle High School for the 2023-2024 school year
 - Jayme Tevault School Nurse at Tecumseh High and Middle Schools and Lynnville and Elberfeld Elementary Schools for the 2023-2024 school year

- Dana Fisher Health Aide at Tennyson Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year
- Amy Smith Corporation Treasurer (currently Deputy Treasurer and Non-Certified Payroll Facilitator)
- Joshua Deck 3.5 hour Cafeteria Position at Castle South Middle School
- Madison Thompson 6.5 hour Cafeteria position at Castle South Middle School
- Jayne Beckort 6.5 hour Cafeteria position at Castle South Middle School
- Jessica Hertel Cafeteria Manager at Elberfeld Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year (currently 6.0 hour Cafeteria Employee at Elberfeld Elementary School)

Motion carried.

- **B.** A motion was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Ms. Metzger to approve the following leave requests:
 - Jane Baker, FACS Teacher at Tecumseh High School
 - Kathy Johnson, 6.5 hour Cafeteria Employee
 - Angela Beck, 6.0 hour Cafeteria Employee
 - Mackenzie Hawkins, Math Teacher at Castle South Middle School
 - Sarah Harmon, Science Teacher at Castle North Middle School
 - Jaci Turner, Student Services Secretary
 - Angie Summers, Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School
 - Shannon Stogsdill, Custodian at Castle High School
 - Brandi Bruce, 1st Grade Teacher at Chandler Elementary School
 - Brandon Pryor, Class B Maintenance
 - Jamie Pryor, Principal at Oakdale Elementary School
 - Linda Brown, Custodian at Yankeetown Elementary School

The motion passed unanimously, with Mr. Baker abstaining.

- **C.** Report of Retirement Date Change:
 - Tamera Redman, Cafeteria Manager at Elberfeld, has changed her retirement date from May 25, 2023 to May 26, 2023.

D. Resignations:

- Marcia Fortune, 6.0 hour Cafeteria Employee at Loge Elementary School resignation effective May 25, 2023.
- Beth Titzer-Metcalf, Part-time Custodian at Chandler Elementary School resignation effective April 21, 2023.
- Israel Gordon, Special Education Teacher at Chandler Elementary School resignation effective May 25, 2023.
- Crystal Braden, Program Assistant at Loge Elementary School resignation effective April 10, 2023.
- Andy Gulick, Bus Driver resignation effective April 7, 2023.
- Jodi Bruegger, Program Assistant at Castle South Middle School resignation effective May 26, 2023.
- Nancy Lumley, Corporation Treasurer resignation effective September 22, 2023.
- Emily Heim, ABS Program Assistant at Chandler Elementary School resignation effective May 25, 2023.
- Deonna Postin, Custodian at JH Castle Elementary School resignation effective April 21, 2023.

- Lukas Messmer, Social Studies Teacher at Boonville High School for the 2023-2024 School Year resignation effective April 24, 2023.
- Dawn Braswell, Program Assistant at Castle High School resignation effective May 25, 2023.

E. Retirements:

 Robin McKinney, Program Assistant at Newburgh Elementary School - retirement effective May 25, 2023.

Reports

Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Todd Armstrong reported on the Construction, Technology and Maintenance Committee. Below are the categories he discussed:

Construction Projects

- Warrick Pathways and Career Center
- Boonville HS Cafeteria and Kitchen
- Boonville MS Office and Gym B HVAC
- Castle North MS Gym B HVAC and Office carpet
- Boonville HS and Castle HS Turf installation (Spring 2024)
- Castle HS Renovation
- Tecumseh HS Bleachers
- Elberfeld ES HVAC upgrades

Auxiliary Projects

- Paving / Sealing 9 locations
- Carpeting 7 locations
- Elberfeld ES and Yankeetown ES intercoms
- Castle South MS odor reduction
- Painting nearly every school
- Flat panel distribution approx. 200
- Copy machine replacement approx. 30
- Surplus Sale

Safety and Security

- Contact Sensors (building by building)
- Additional Cameras
- Bollards and Speed Bumps
- Electronic swipe access doors

Other Board Business

Board Members will be attending the ISBA Spring Regional Meeting on May 16, 2023 in Jasper.

Upcoming Meetings

Construction, Technology, and Maintenance Committee:

Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 7:30 am at the Administration Building, 300 E. Gum St, Boonville,
 IN

Special Education and Transportation Committee:

• Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 9:00 am at the Administration Building, 300 E. Gum St, Boonville, IN

Board of School Trustees:

Monday, May 8, 2023, 7:00 pm at Central Services, 930 W. Main St, Boonville, IN

Policy and Curriculum Committee:

Monday, May 8, 2023, 5:30 pm at Central Services, 930 W. Main St, Boonville, IN

Personnel, Food & Nutrition, and Custodial Committee:

• Monday, May 8, 2023, 6:30 pm at Central Services, 930 W. Main St, Boonville, IN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes were approved by the Warrick County Board of School Trustees on the 8th day of May, 2023.

Lynda Glover, Secretary

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Attested:

Jane Wilhelmus, President

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