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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 May 3, 2021

PRESENT: Mr. Alan R. Karpick; Dr. Karen S. Springer; Mr. Bradley Marley; Mrs. Amy Austin; Mr. Thomas H. Schott; Mrs. Rachel Witt; Dr. Yue Yin; Mr. Ross Sloat, CFO; Mr. Stephen Ohlhaut; Mr. Robert C. Reiling, Jr., attorney; and Dr. Rocky Killion, Superintendent.

President Karpick 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 3, 2021, Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin Seconded by: Mr. Schott Vote: 7 of 7

B. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Regular and Organizational meetings Board of School Trustees held on April 5, 2021.

Motion by: Dr. Springer Seconded by: Mrs. Witt Vote: 7 of 7

COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

II.

A. Academic Achievement – Student Recognition

Mrs. Shelby Johnson introduced West Side "Way To Go" Award Program. The following recipients were selected this month by their school teachers and administrators for exemplifying our school mission.

West Lafayette Elementary School: Lillian Ekola (3rd), Micah Pettitt (2nd), Ruby Bartlett (K) West Lafayette Intermediate School: Sophia Rickert (4th), Michaela Thompson (5th), Avery Asay (6th) West Lafayette Jr. Sr. High School: Beckett Peters (11th), Katherine Dunford (10th), Robert Hockema (7th)

B. <u>Academic Achievement – Staff Recognition</u>

Dr. Killion introduced Courtney FitzSimons, Food Service Director, to recognize Ivan Balicky for his honor in receiving the Indiana Department of Education Assistant Food Service Director of the Year. Congratulations and thank you for your service to the students of West Lafayette Community School Corporation.

C. Academic Achievement

Dr. Killion reported the West Lafayette Community School Corporation has once again as been declared by the Indiana Department of Education as Performance Qualified School District. Additionally, World Report Best High Schools designated the Jr. Sr. High School as #2 in Indiana and #209 Nationally.

D. Aquatics Center Summer Programs

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the West Lafayette Schools Aquatics Center Summer Programs and risk insurance plan.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the aquatic center summer program and risk insurance plan.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin Seconded by: Mr. Schott Vote: 7 of 7

E. Student Code of Conduct and Staff Handbook Revisions

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the revised Student Code of Conduct and Staff Handbook revisions.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve Student Code of Conduct and Staff Handbook revisions.

Motion by: Mr. Marley Seconded by: Mrs. Witt Vote: 7 of 7

F. Check Removal

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the check removal. Checks issued by the Corporation that are over two years old and outstanding will be cancelled.

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

Motion by: Mrs. Austin Seconded by: Mr. Marley Vote: 7 of 7

G. 2022 Budget Calendar

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended the School Board of Trustees approve 2022 Budget Calendar. Calendar includes a Work Session in August, followed by a hearing in September, and adoption in October.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the 2022 Budget Calendar.

Motion by: Dr. Springer Seconded by: Mr. Marley Vote: 7 of 7

H. Summer Food Program

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the Summer Food Program. The USDA is again offering financial support to public schools that offer a summer food program for students 18 and under. Lunch and breakfast will be provided to those in need.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Summer Food Program.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin Seconded by: Mr. Marley Vote: 7 of 7

I. Textbook Rental Fees

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut recommended the School Board of Trustees approve the 2021-2022 textbook rental fees.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the 2021-2022 textbook rental fees.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin Seconded by: Mrs. Witt Vote: 7 of 7

J. Cancellation of July 5 Board Meeting

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended the School Board of Trustees approve the cancellation of the July 5 Board meeting. This meeting will be contingent based on the ongoing process to open school.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees to approve the cancellation of July 5 Board Meeting.

Motion by: Dr. Springer Seconded by: Mr. Schott Vote: 7 of 7

K. 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: Mrs. Witt Seconded by: Mrs. Austin Vote: 7 of 7

L. Accounts Payable Vouchers

Recommendation: Mr. Ohlhaut recommended that the Board approve the audited claims in the report. The total claims paid: \$3,962,985.11. Payments include Microsoft license renewal, City Bus, bus purchase, and Greater Lafayette Career Academy installment.

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

Motion by: Mrs. Austin Seconded by: Mr. Marley Vote: 7 of 7

V. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Amy Austin – Communications Committee has discussed print, email, blogs, social media, frequency, and other capabilities. The Foundation needs volunteers for Scarlet & Grey and spring grant cycle totaled \$3,600. Rachel Witt – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion committee have created definitions available on the corporation website. Diversity: A broad range of valued differences and experiences across a spectrum of qualities, traits, and characteristics of life. Equity: providing students with resources and opportunities that meet their individual needs. Inclusion: an environment where differences are embraced to ensure opportunities aren't limited and all feel a sense of belonging and respect. Culture: The intersectionality of individual and group experiences and identities as they contribute to the tapestry of our community. The high school students on this committee have been great contributors. They have met with the administrators to provide input on textbook and resources for a new ethnic class that will be offered 2021-22 school year.

Karen Springer – GLASS discussed data related to personnel and students. Park Board, shelter reservations are now open online, pool opens Memorial Day weekend, and Happy Hollow dog park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on May 12th 10am.

Yue Yin – Public Schools Foundation, next grant cycle starts August 7th, authors can partner with other community members but the author must be a WLCSC teacher. Grants are up to \$2,000.

Brad Marley – Redevelopment; Wellness Center is now at 950 members.

Tom Schott – Becky Swanson, Katie Hembrough and prom committee, special thank you for a successful prom for our students.

VI. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ila Chaubey – 8045 Metcalf Ave, Overland Park, KS Angie Janes – 1515 Ravinia Road, West Lafayette, IN Erin Moon-Walker – 1147 Hillcrest Road, West Lafayette, IN

See corporation website for patron question/answer information.

VII. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

Mr. Karpick read the following statement: Dr. Killion has elected not to extend his contract with the West Lafayette Community School Corporation. Dr. Killion is eligible for retirement. In addition, he desires to

spend more time with his family. Dr. Killion has expressed interest in assisting the corporation in any transition that will ensue. The school corporation will consider appropriate actions to take during transition, to include retaining an interim superintendent, at the August board meeting.

Dr. Killion commented: Thank you to everyone for all the work over the last 14 years. There is still work to be done and improvements to be made. It has been a privilege to serve all of you to the best of my ability. It is time to spend time with my family and grandchildren. Thank you and I wish the best for the school district.

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

Wednesday June 2, 6:30 P.M. Regular Board Meeting, West Lafayette Intermediate School, Cafe

IX. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

PERSONNEL REPORT

I. CERTIFIED STAFF

A. Employment:

- Daning, Kelsey: Band Assistant Director Jr. Sr. High School; effective August 10, 2021 (Replacement for Amanda Armstrong)
- 2. Elliott, Katrina: Math Teacher Jr. Sr. High School; effective August 10, 2021 (Replacement for Kory Pritchett)
- 3. VanArsdel, Jacob: Health/Physical Ed. Teacher Jr. Sr. High School; effective August 10, 2021 (Replacement for David Wood)
- **4.** Woodard, Christopher: Computer Science Teacher Jr. Sr. High School; effective August 10, 2021 (Replacement for Yash Pujara)

B. Change:

- 1. Adams, Pam: General Music .5 FTE Elementary School; effective August 10, 2021
- 2. Falk, Laura: Substitute Teacher Intermediate School; effective May 28, 2021
- 3. French, Amy: Substitute Teacher Intermediate School; effective May 28, 2021
- 4. Irvine, Karen: Substitute Teacher Intermediate School; effective May 28, 2021

C. Resignation:

1. Chavez-Gettings, RieAnn: Perm. Substitute – Elementary School; effective May 14, 2021

II. CLASSI FIED STAFF

A. Employment:

- 1. Bittles, Shari: Library Clerk Jr. Sr. High School; effective August 10, 2021 (Replacement for Jana Leasure)
- 2. Leverenz, Cynthia: Building Secretary Jr. Sr. High School; effective July 19, 2021
- 3. Montemayer, LeAnn ECA Treasurer/Benefits Admin Central Office; effective May 24, 2021 (Replacement for Patti Baugues)

B. Change:

1. Barnett, Katerina: Food Service Assistant – Intermediate School; effective May 3, 2021

C. Leave:

1. Slifer, Elisabeth: Paraprofessional – Elementary School; effective April 27-28, 2021

D. Resignation:

- 1. Allen, Cerene: Custodian Maintenance Department; effective April 20, 2021
- 2. Cohen, Ann: Counseling Office Clerk Jr. Sr. High School; effective May 26, 2021

III. PERSONNEL REQUESTS

- 1. Balicky, Ivan Summer Position: Maintenance Department: effective May 28 August 10, 2021
- 2. Bennet, Robyn Secretary: Elementary School; due to Covid impact, add 5 work days
- 3. King, Ada Substitute Administrative Assistant; Central Office May 2021 and August December 2021
- 4. Smith, Amy Secretary: Elementary School; due to Covid impact, add 7 work days.
- 5. Superintendent Speaking Engagement Evangel University, Springfield MO; date change to June7-11, 2021
- 6. Central Office closed April 29, 2021
- 7. Jennifer McCormick Innovation School District, WLCSC application coordinator 2021-22
- 8. Supplemental Service teacher contracts for Summer School 2021

IV. ATHLETICS

Employment:

Jacob VanArsdel HS Boys Basketball Head I T Oct 25, 21 - Mar 12, 22

Aaron Wood HS Strength Coach Head III T Jun 1, 21 – Aug 13, 21