## **MINUTES**

# WEST LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION Happy Hollow Building, LGI Room

1200 N. Salisbury Street West Lafayette, Indiana

## Organizational Meeting of the Board of School Trustees Monday, January 8, 2024

PRESENT:

Mrs. Rachel Witt; Mr. Brad Marley; Mrs. Amy Austin; Mr. Tom Schott;

Dr. Yue Yin; Mrs. Dacia Mumford; Mr. Laurence Wang; Dr. Shawn Greiner,

Superintendent; Mrs. Anna Roth, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Michelle Cronk, CFO

Oath of Office:

IC 20-26-4-2 requires any person "elected or selected" to be on the School Board to take an Oath of Office at any time after the individual's appointment or election. The oath must be taken no later than thirty (30) days after the beginning of the term of office.

No Board Members were "elected" or "selected" to be on the School Board,

therefore, no Oath of Office was conducted.

President Witt called the Organizational Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

## A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the January 8, 2024, Organizational Meeting of the Board of School Trustees was approved as prepared.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

Vote: 7 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

#### II. NEW BUSINESS

## A. Election of Officers

Mrs. Witt polled all the Board members for nominations of Board President, Board Vice President and Board Secretary. The Officers will hold their positions until December 31, 2024.

#### **Board President**

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Laurence Wang in nomination as President of the Board of School Trustees for 2024.

Motion by: Mrs. Mumford

Seconded by: Dr. Yin

Vote: 3 of 7

Yes: Mumford, Yin, Wang; No: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt; The motion failed.

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Amy Austin in nomination for President of the Board of School Trustees for 2024.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

Vote: 4 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt; No: Yin, Mumford, Wang; The motion passed.

Mrs. Austin was appointed Board of School Trustees President for 2024.

## **Board Vice President**

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Bradley Marley in nomination to continue as Vice President of the Board of School Trustees for 2024.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mr. Schott

Vote: 4 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt; No: Yin, Mumford, Wang; The motion passed.

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Laurence Wang in nomination for Board Vice President of the Board of School Trustees for 2024.

Motion by: Dr. Yin

Seconded by: Mrs. Mumford

Vote: 3 of 7

Yes: Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt; The motion failed.

Mr. Marley was appointed Board of School Trustees Vice President for 2024.

#### **Board Secretary**

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Dacia Mumford in nomination as Secretary of the Board of School Trustees for 2024.

Motion by: Mr. Wang

Seconded by: Dr. Yin

Vote: 3 of 7

Yes: Wang, Yin, Mumford; No: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt; The motion failed.

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Thomas Schott in nomination as Secretary of the Board of School Trustees for 2024.

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mrs. Witt

Vote: 4 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt; No: Yin, Mumford, Wang; The motion passed.

Mr. Schott was appointed Board of School Trustees Secretary for 2024.

## **Appointment of Corporation Treasurer**

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Michelle Cronk in nomination as the West Lafayette Community School Corporation Treasurer for 2023.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

Vote: 7 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

#### **Bonded Positions for 2023**

Motions were put before the Board to bond each of the following positions:

Position: Treasurer - Michelle Cronk (\$100,000)

Position: Deputy Treasurer – Janelle Wade (\$100,000)

Position: Extra-Curricular Accounts Treasurer – LeAnn Montemayer (\$25,000)

Position: Athletic Secretary – Kathy Slauter (\$25,000)

Motion by: Mr. Schott

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

Vote: 7 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt; Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

#### B. Appointment Positions for 2024

School Corporation Physicians - Chester Ho, M.D. and Anne Marie Bianculli, M.D.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mr. Wang

Vote: 7 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

School Corporation Attorneys - Church/Church/Hittle/Antrim

Motion by: Mr. Marley

Seconded by: Mrs. Witt

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Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

#### III. OTHER BUSINESS

#### A. Board Compensation – Per Indiana Code 20-26-4-7

Annual salary of \$2,000 per Board member and the additional rate of \$112.00 per meeting night rather than per meeting. Therefore, if multiple meetings are held on the same date, the compensation would remain at \$112.00 for the evening. Executive Sessions and Work Sessions held on another night than a regular school board meeting would be at a rate of \$62.

A motion was made that members of the Board of School Trustees be compensated for board meeting attendance at the rate of \$112.00 per regular board meeting and a rate of \$62 for work session and executive sessions in addition to an annual salary of \$2,000.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

*Vote:* 0 of 7

Yes: None; No: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; The motion failed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Mumford to delete the \$62 rate for work and executive sessions and continue with the \$2,000 annual rate and \$112 per regular meeting.

Motion by: Mrs. Mumford

Seconded by: Mr. Wang

Vote: 7 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

The Board will be compensated as follows:

- Annual Salary \$2000.00 (half paid in June and December)
- Regular Board Meeting Attendance \$112.00 (per meeting)
- Work and Executive Sessions zero compensation

## B. Education Foundation Appointment(s)

A motion was put before the Board to place the name of Thomas Schott in nomination to continue his service on the West Lafayette Community School Corporation's Education Foundation Committee.

Motion by: Mrs. Austin

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

Vote: 7 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

V. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Motion by: Mr. Wang

Seconded by: Mr. Marley

Vote: 7 of 7

Yes: Austin, Marley, Schott, Witt, Yin, Mumford, Wang; No: None; The motion passed.

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Secretary