

MINUTES

WEST LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
1130 N. Salisbury Street
West Lafayette, Indiana

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
Monday October 7, 2019

PRESENT: Mr. Alan R. Karpick; Dr. Karen S. Springer; Mr. Bradley Marley; Mrs. Rachel Witt; Mr. Thomas H. Schott; Mr. Brian J. Bittner Mrs. Melissa Prochnau; Mr. Robert C. Reiling, Jr.; Mr. Ross Sloat; and Dr. Rocky Killion, Superintendent.

President Karpick called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M.

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

A. A motion was made to approve the agenda for the Monday October 7, 2019, Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees.

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

B. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees held on September 9, 2019.

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

II. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE - None

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Adoption of Education and Operation Budgets

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the adoption of the 2020 Education Fund, Referendum Fund, Rainy Day Fund, Operation Fund, and Resolutions.

Adopted Budget \$40,656,507

Adopted Levy \$18,124,781

Adopted Tax Rate 2.1889% (*Final approved rate will be lower than projected*)

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees to approve the 2020 Budget Resolution.

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

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees to approve the 2020 Bus Replacement Resolution.

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

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the 2020 Transfers Resolution.

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

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the 2020 Reduce Line 1,2, and 8.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mrs. Prochnau

Vote: 7 of 7

B. Academic Achievement – Aquatic Center, Facility Improvement Updates, BKPAC Plans

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the aquatic center concepts as presented.

Chris Klinge, Aquatics Director, presented programs and multi-use for the aquatic center. Programs included, swim lessons, general swim, pool rentals, etc. Logistics are in still in development.

Dr. Killion reported the Jr. Sr. High School kitchen construction is delayed, it will open second semester. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held for both the Jr. Sr. High School Kitchen/Café and Aquatic Center will be held November 25, 2019.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the preliminary Aquatic Center programs.

Motion by: Mr. Schott

Seconded by: Dr. Springer

Vote: 7 of 7

C. Academic Achievement – Town Hall and Professional Development Review

Dr. Killion reported the professional development held on September 23, 2019 was successful. Dr. Guskey’s presentation included a different style of grading. Internal conversations in each building will occur to determine how to possibly implement the new grading. However, the new grading system is not a mandate.

D. Academic Achievement – IDOE Accountability/ADM Update

Dr. Killion reported the Department of Education has not made an announcement regarding the iLearn results and if they will hold “harmless” on the school corporation. Our ADM count is up 1.5 students. A second count will occur in February and its possible we may fewer students; less students, less funding.

E. WLSEF Update

Dr. Killion introduced Doug Masson, President of the West Lafayette Schools Education Foundation. Mr. Masson reported the following update:

- The Foundation is a 501c3 designed to support the mission of the schools.
- New board member, John Bauman has joined
- Westside Story, April 24th at Carnahan Hall
- Lindsay Walls, Executive Director continues to help the organization succeed
- Interviews have begun for a new assistant
- Teacher grant deadline is November 1st. \$7,000 available.
- Website will receive some renovations
- \$2.5 mil has been received in support for the RDP Projects campaign
- Backpack program continues successfully
- 20 scholarship investments currently managed

F. Revised Kindergarten Report Card

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended the Board of School Trustees approve to the revision made to the kindergarten report cards.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the kindergarten report card revisions.

Motion by: Mrs. Witt

Seconded by: Mrs. Prochnau

Vote: 7 of 7

G. Parent Council Playground Donation

Recommendation: Dr. Killion recommended the Board of School Trustees approve the parent council playground donation to the West Lafayette Elementary School. Thank you to the Parent Council.

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees approve the Parent Council Playground donation.

Motion by: Mrs. Prochnau

Seconded by: Mr. Bittner

Vote: 7 of 7

H. Out of State Field Trip

Recommendation: Mr. Karpick recommended the School Board of Trustees approve the Field Trips.

H.S. Social Studies Dept to Washington, DC Nov. 6-9, 2019

H.S. German Class to Christkindlmarkt & Goethe Institute, Chicago, IL Dec. 3, 2019

A motion was made that the Board of School Trustees to approve the above listed Field Trip.

Motion by: Dr. Springer

Seconded by: Mrs. Prochnau

Vote: 7 of 7

I. 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: Mr. Schott

Vote: 7 of 7

J. Accounts Payable Vouchers

Recommendation: Mr. Sloat recommended that the Board approve the audited claims in the report. The total claims paid \$3,809,071.48. Payments include bus payment to TSC, Rev Track, Workers Comp, and Bond payments.

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

Motion by: Mr. Bittner

Seconded by: Mrs. Prochnau

Vote: 7 of 7

V. INFORMATION TO THE BOARD – none

VI. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Brad Marley – Negotiations are in progress and going well. And Insurance committee meets Oct. 8th.

Melissa Prochnau – High School Parent Council has \$5,000 in teacher grants to be awarded. First grant went to Suicide Prevention Training booklets and training sessions will be offered to parents. The Intermediate School Parent Council has \$3,000 in grant funds and fundraising is underway for a gaga pit and other playground equipment. The Elementary has \$7,000 in grant funds. The Public Schools Foundation teacher grant reception will be held November 20, 2019 at Greater Lafayette Career Academy. Melissa Joest won the 2019 Cupcake Run. Cupcake Bake-off high school participants received a \$100 gift care for most enthusiasm.

Rachel Witt – The Reimagining West Lafayette Schools committee enjoyed their session with Dr. Guskey on Sept. 23rd.

Brian Bittner – The Redevelopment committee has begun work to provide a bike path down Kalberer Road to University. Also construction at Cumberland Park for the new aquatic center is progress.

Superintendent – Rocky Killion reported Teacher Discussion met, topics included Field Trip Guidelines, Teacher evaluations, visitors in the schools, NWEA assessments, special education decentralization, and ADM update.

Alan Karpick – Negotiations are going well. WLSEF fundraising initiatives.

VII. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Randy Studt, teacher at Jr. Sr. High School – Support Red for Ed Nov. 19th 9am-2pm at the State House

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

Fri. – Mon. Oct. 11 & 14 Fall Break

Mon. Nov. 4 Regular Board Meeting, 5:00 P.M.

Mon. Nov. 4 ISBA Fall Meeting @the Trails 6:00 P.M.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

PERSONNEL REPORT

I. ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

II. CERTIFIED STAFF

A. Leave:

1. **Boyd, Mary Beth: Social Studies Teacher – Jr. Sr. High School;** effective Nov. 25, 2019 – Jan. 5, 2020

III. CLASSIFIED STAFF

A. Employment:

1. **Gregory, Sharon: Custodian - Elementary School;** effective Sept. 16, 2019
(Replacement for Elisa Korschot)
2. **Manne, Sai Swaroopa: Lunch recess supervisor – Elementary School;** effective Sept. 30, 2019
(Replacement for Swati Tomar)
3. **Rawash, Nahla: Spec. Education Paraprofessional – Elementary School;** effective Sept. 25, 2019
(Replacement for Pauline Wein)
4. **Turrell, Keri: Food Service Assistant - Elementary School;** effective Sept. 30, 2019
(Replacement for Tiffany Higarada)

B. Change:

1. **Daniels, Rosemarie: Food Service Assistant – Food Service;** effective Oct. 14, 2019

C. Resignation:

1. **Blomberg, Holly: Paraprofessional– Elementary School;** effective Oct. 10, 2019
2. **Eschbaugh, Meagan: Custodian – Jr. Sr. High School;** effective Oct. 5, 2019
3. **Tackett, Amanda: Custodian – Intermediate School;** effective Sept. 30, 2019

IV. ATHLETICS

Employment:

Katherine Marcussen	HS Girls Swimming Assistant	IV 3	Oct 18, 19 - Feb 5, 20
Minshen Ho	7th Boys Basketball Head	IV T	Oct 11, 19 - Jan 8, 20
Joshua Rendall	7th Boys Basketball Assistant	V T	Oct 11, 19 - Jan 8, 20
Troy Parker	8th Boys Basketball Head	IV 9+	Oct 11, 19 - Jan 8, 20
Jeffrey Schmierer	8th Boys Basketball Assistant	Vol 9+	Oct 11, 19 - Jan 8, 20
Kelsey Kincaid	7th Volleyball Assistant (50%)	V 1	Sept 8, 19 - Oct 16, 19