MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

February 20, 2018

The regular meeting of the DeKalb County Central United School District Board of Education was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the Central Administration Office, 3326 County Road 427, Waterloo, Indiana 46793. Board Members present: Jay Baumgartner, Bruce Buttermore, Mark Eck, Tim Haynes and Heather Krebs. Board Members absent: None. Also present were, Steve Teders, Superintendent, Lori Vaughn, Assistant Superintendent, and Steve Snider, CFO; Principals Michelle Molargik, Pam Shoemaker, Julia Tipton, Matt Toth, Matt Vince and Marcus Wagner; Sandra McAfee, Secretary to the Board; and a representative from The Star. A complete guest list is on file in the office of the Superintendent.

The President led the Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Bruce Buttermore called the meeting to order and asked for roll call at 6:00 p.m.

A PowerPoint presentation by Waterloo Elementary School was made on Project Based Learning and how they are incorporating it in the Waterloo Revitalization Project being done in the Town of Waterloo. Principal Julia Tipton started the presentation and then introduced Mrs. Sherry Crisp-Ridge, the PBL Coach at Waterloo Elementary. Ms. Eryn Mirra then stated that her 2nd/3rd grade students were doing the project and will give their ideas to the design committee of Ball State students.

On a motion made by Jay Baumgartner, seconded by Tim Haynes, it was moved to adopt/amend the February 20, 2018 agenda as presented.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

A motion was made by Heather Krebs, seconded by Mark Eck, to approve the Consent Agenda items F.1. through F. 5. as follows:

F. Consent Agenda

1. **Board Minutes**
   a. January 15, 2018 Organizational Meeting
   b. January 24, 2018 Work Session
2. **Financial Report – January 31, 2018**
3. **Claims – February 20, 2018**
4. **Personnel**

Retirements

Kathleen Deihl, Custodian at DeKalb High School, effective 2/26/18

Resignations

Allison Lahmeyer - Paraprofessional at DeKalb High School, effective 2/16/18
Bonnie Lamberson - Paraprofessional at Waterloo Elementary School, effective 1/25/18
Blythe Nelis - Paraprofessional at Waterloo Elementary School, effective 1/23/18
Madison Ewing - Paraprofessional at Waterloo Elementary School, effective - 2/8/18
Crystal Martino - 4 hr/day Food Service at DeKalb High School, effective 1/31/18
Paul Cook - Girls' Assistant Soccer Coach at DeKalb Middle School, effective 1/28/18
Jeff Helmkamp - Girls' Assistant Tennis Coach at DeKalb High School, effective 2/4/18
Tanner Boman - Assistant Wrestling Coach at DeKalb High School, effective 1/15/18
Tyler Littlejohn - Paraprofessional at Waterloo Elementary School, effective 3/2/18

Recommendations

Trish Harrison - 23 hr/wk Title I Paraprofessional at Waterloo Elementary School, effective 1/24/18
Kindra Miller - 37.5 hr/wk Functional Skills Paraprofessional at Waterloo Elementary School, effective 2/5/18
Toni Webb - Increase hours from 25 hr/wk to 29.5 hr/wk Kindergarten Paraprofessional at Waterloo Elementary School, effective 2/2/18
Stephanie Brookshire - Bus Driver for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year, effective 1/16/18
Margarita Pinedo - 4 hr/day Food Service at DeKalb High School, effective 2/19/18
Rachel Brown - Girls' Soccer Assistant Coach at DeKalb Middle School

Leaves of Absence

Amy Nan - 1st Grade Teacher at James R. Watson Elementary School, beginning 3/16/18 through the end of the 2017-2018 school year
Danielle Myers - 1st Grade Teacher at McKenney-Harrison Elementary School, beginning on 8/7/18 and last through 10/19/18
Caira Martin - 3rd Grade Teacher at McKenney-Harrison Elementary School, beginning 8/7/18 and last through 10/12/18
Ashley Freels - School Counselor at DeKalb Middle School, beginning 4/2/18 and last through 5/28/18
Nicole McKean - Bus Driver - beginning on 2/12/18 and last through 3/30/18
Chelsie Rogier - Special Education Teacher at DeKalb Middle School, beginning on 8/7/18 and last through 9/24/18

5. <u>Field Trips</u>

Fusion 8th graders to travel to Chicago on May 2, 2018
Legacy 8th graders to travel to Chicago on May 21, 2018

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

The President reported that donations received during the month of January 2018 were in the amount of $8,313.53. (Attached)

It was moved by Jay Baumgartner, seconded by Tim Haynes, to approve entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Community Foundation of DeKalb County in order to begin the process of helping families set up or continue to contribute in CollegeChoice 529 Savings.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Mark Eck, seconded by Heather Krebs, to approve the DHS Unified Track and Field Fundraiser to purchase uniforms and equipment to compete this spring; said team to compete as a varsity approved sport recognized by the IHSAA.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Heather Krebs, seconded by Jay Baumgartner, to approve the recommendation to sell four lots located at the former site of the McIntosh School located in Auburn, Indiana; to obtain at least two appraisals so as to determine the fair market value of the property; and to approve the resolution to determine the best method appropriate for the Board to use in selling the property. (Resolution attached)

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Heather Krebs, seconded by Mark Eck, to approve the request from Candace Post and Chelsea Koehl to offer a "Cupcakes & Canvas" class to all students in grades K-5, which class will be held in March and April.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Tim Haynes, seconded by Jay Baumgartner, to approve the recommendation to enter into a agreement with the Bowen Center for a student assistance plan for students and their families, which will expand the program to include PK - 5 and 9-12.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Jay Baumgartner, seconded by Tim Haynes, to approve the 2018 Summer School Course recommendations at DeKalb High School as follows:

Advanced Choir
Advanced Concert Band
Algebra I (Semester 2)
Algebra II (Semester 2)
Biology (Semester 1)
Biology (Semester 2)
Economics
English 9 (Semester 1)
English 9 (Semester 2)
SAE
(Online Classes)
Integrated Chemistry/Physics
World Geography
World History
English 10 (Semester 1)
English 10 (Semester 2)
English 11 (Semester 1)
English 11 (Semester 2)
English 12 (Semester 1)
English 12 (Semester 2)
Government
Health
Physical Education I
Physical Education II

Summer school to begin on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 and run for 20 days, with the last day being on Tuesday, June 26, 2018.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Tim Haynes, seconded by Mark Eck, to approve the recommendation for the new DHS Courses for the 2018-2019 school year as follows:

AP Studio Art
Studio Art (Drawing Portfolio) AP
Studio Art (2D Design Portfolio) AP
Ethnic Studies
Indiana Studies

Advanced Topics in History and Modern Science

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Jay Baumgartner, seconded by Heather Krebs, to approve the recommendation to Amend 403b plan and add 403b Vendor as follows:

1. Amendment to plan 403b that all participants be allowed to enter and make changes to their salary reduction contributions as soon as administratively feasible.
2. Add Everence Financial Services as a new 403b Vendor

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

Chief Financial Officer, Steve Snider, stated that in January, our 2018 budget was approved by the Department of Local Government Finance. He divided and summarized the 2018 Budget overview into four separate components: Total Approved Appropriations (spending authority), Total Revenue – General Fund, Property Tax Revenue – All Funds, and Tax Rates. (Informational purposes only)

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Heather Krebs, seconded by Tim Haynes, to approve the recommendation to enter into a Fixed Contract for 37,500 gallons of diesel fuel at the price of $2.1436 per gallon (excluding taxes) through December 2018; also contracting 7,500 gallons of gasoline at a price of $2.2405 (excluding taxes) with North Central Co-Op for fuel to be delivered between February 21, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Tim Haynes, seconded by Mark Eck, to approve the recommendation to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Darci Brown for the purpose of providing tuition support for the attainment of additional teaching credentials to allow her to teach Honors Courses of English and Speech at DeKalb High School.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Heather Krebs, seconded by Jay Baumgartner, to approve the request to advertise for a closed bid process to purchase 285 laptops and 230 docking stations.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Tim Haynes, seconded by Mark Eck, to approve the payment from proceeds of the 2015 Project Fund relative to the McKenney-Harrison Elementary renovation project in the amount of $87,890.91. (Copy attached)

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Mark Eck, seconded by Heather Krebs, to approve the payment from the proceeds of the Project Fund for expenses relative to the McKenney-Harrison, DHS & DMS renovation project in the amount of $20,968.51. (Copy attached)

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

It was moved by Jay Baumgartner, seconded by Tim Haynes, to approve the payment by DeKalb Central Building Corporation for expenses relative to the building project in the amount of $36,431.25 (Copy attached)

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

Under Miscellaneous, Tim Haynes asked for an update on Spring Break and the make-up option days. Superintendent Teders stated that we have had 8 closures, 4 made up by eLearning windows and 4 will be made up on March 19, 20, 21, 22, which were included in the 1st week of Spring Break Option days. We do have the Friday of March 23rd and 1 additional eLearning window available and then any additional closures would be made up by adding days at the of the school year.

Mr. Teders stated that he will be collecting data to consider from this school year on how we can tweak and improve our procedure for next school year.

Superintendent Teders shared a letter he received from Larry Getts, School Board President for Garrett-Keyser-Butler Schools after each of our school districts lost a student and DeKalb losing two staff members, one retired and one a current employee.

Mr. Teders also addressed the subject of school safety and what is being done in the district, especially after the school shooting in Florida recently.

He stated that there had been an article in the paper this past Saturday and letter sent to families and staff through social media, which initiated great conversations and responses from parents. The district has a tip line that is available and we have an amazing School Resource Officer. He stated that there has been a lot of discussion and the district is constantly evaluating school safety.

The President stated that there would be an Executive Session following the meeting to discuss Personnel.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Heather Krebs, seconded by Mark Eck, to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

AYES: ALL **NAYES: NONE**

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