

PROPOSED
WARRICK COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
March 18, 2019

The Warrick County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on March 18, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Central Services Building with all members present. President Tim Mosbey called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Schneider introduced Mrs. Abbie Redmon, Director of Primary Curriculum and Instruction and asked her to talk about the Warrick County School Corporation Spelling Bee.

Mrs. Redmon welcomed all of the spellers and parents in attendance this evening and invited the winners and runners-up to come to the podium to state their name, school, and grade.

The winners and runners-up of the Warrick County Spelling Bee were:

Hayden Whitaker (Winner) - BMS
Caden Batts (Runner-up) - BMS

Mia Clamme (Winner) - LOGE
Kaylee Messer (Runner-up) LOGE

Pranav Chandar (Winner) - CNMS
Sanjana Veeraraghavan (Runner-up) - CNMS

Degan Ash (Winner) - LYNN
Damon Oxley (Runner-up) LYNN

Ah Hyun Jiang (Winner) - CSMS
Zhixin Cai (Runner-up) - CSMS

Braylon Phillips (Winner) - NEW
Bailey Turner (Runner-up) - NEW

Rosalind Kidwell (Winner) - TMS
Brayden Schwartz (Runner-up) TMS

Ryder Cartwright (Winner) - OAK
David Loughrie (Runner-up) - OAK

Vija Jansons (Winner) - CHA
Talan Matteson (Runner-up) - CHA

Bipasna Tamang (Winner) - SHA
Bailey Gravens (Runner-up) - SHA

Daxyn Kramer (Winner) - ELB
Taylor George (Runner-up) - ELB

Jayce Robinson (Winner) - TEN
Axton Hudson (Runner-up) - TEN

Suveer Bhatia (Winner) - JHC
Bella Chandler (Runner-up) - JHC

Ellen Greenwell (Winner) - YAN
Rhett Vandeventer (Runner-up) YAN

Mrs. Redmon said that we had four students who qualified for the Regional Spelling Bee. Each student qualified by taking an online assessment. They participated in the Bee on March 2, 2019, in Evansville.

The winner of the Regional Spelling Bee was **Pranav Chandar**, of Castle North Middle School, who will go on to participate in the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. this coming May.

Mr. Schneider introduced the Swim Coach from Boonville High School, Mr. Mike Chapman. Mr. Chapman introduced Tyler Bray, a junior at Boonville High School, who won the Sectional in the 500 Freestyle, qualifying for State.

Mr. Schneider next introduced the Swim Coach from Castle High School, Mr. Aaron Opell. Mr. Opell brought four swimmers/divers who participated in the State Championship with him this evening. He said that he wanted everyone to know that this team of swimmers are a hard working group of individuals. He said he is very proud of the effort they put in and how they represented the Warrick County School Corporation at the State competition.

The Board congratulated all of the groups in attendance this evening.

Consideration of Routine Items

A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Jeff Baker to approve the following Routine Items, as listed:

- A. Approve the minutes of the School Board meeting held on
- B. Approve Claims 1-211 dated March 18, 2019 and sign the docket
- C. Approve the Requests for Professional Leave

Motion carried.

Consideration of Items for Board Action

- A. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to approve adding Biochemistry of Foods to our course offerings beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, as presented. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Lynda Glover to approved the request of Mr. Adam Schmitt, interim Principal at JH Castle Elementary School, to enter into a contract with Backyard Blasts for inflatables, as presented. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Lynda Glover to accept two donations from the Tennyson PTO to Tennyson Elementary School; \$2,392.00 for the purchase of eight iPads, and \$934.20 for the purchase of four Chromebooks, as presented. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Stephanie Gerhardt and seconded by Brenda Metzger to accept a donation of two basketball goals valued at \$2,070.00 to Oakdale Elementary School, as presented.
- E. A motion was made by Jeff Baker and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to accept a donation to JH Castle Elementary School of 30 UHF DMR Portable Radios and the programming and assembly valued at \$6,149.70, as presented. Motion carried.

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

Mr. Tad Powless presented recommendations for employment and requests for leave of absence. Upon his recommendation:

- A. Consider Employment of the following:
1. A motion was made by Jeff Baker and seconded by Jane Wilhelmus to employ **Sarah Stuart** as Guidance Counselor at Castle South Middle for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried
 2. A motion was made by Jane Wilhelmus and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to employ **Kristin Houlton** as Language Arts teacher at Castle North Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried.
- B. Leave Requests:
1. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to approve the following leave requests:
 - **Jessica Hernandez**, Special Education teacher at Boonville Middle School, an extension to her previously approved medical leave of absence that began August 15, 2018 with a return date of March 13, 2019. The new anticipated return date will be November 30, 2019, using unpaid days. Motion carried.
 - **Betsy Gurtcheff**, Kindergarten teacher at JH Castle Elementary School, a one-year personal leave of absence for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried.
 - **Joni Miller** Art teacher at Castle South Middle School, a maternity leave beginning April 24, 2019 with a return date of August 6, 2019, using sick/personal days and FMLA. Motion carried.
 - **Debra Alvey**, Program Assistant at Boonville High School, a medical leave of absence beginning March 1, 2019 with a return date of August 6, 2019. Motion carried.
 - **Christina Mitchell**, Cafeteria employee at Castle High School, a maternity leave of absence beginning March 18, 2019 with a return date of August 6, 2019. Motion carried.
 - **Pam Lawrence**, Bus Driver Route #91, a personal leave of absence beginning February 18, 2019 with a return date of April 1, 2019. Motion carried.
- C. Mr. Powless reported on the following Custodian transfer:
1. **Lois Jackson** 8 hour custodian at JH Castle Elementary to the Warrick County School Corporation Administration Building.
- D. Mr. Powless reported on the following resignations:
1. **Brian Schoonover**, Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at Boonville High School, effective March 6, 2019.
 2. **Katherine Siegfried**, Cafeteria employee at Tecumseh High School, effective May 24, 2019.
 3. **Emilie Brown**, Temporary Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary School, effective March 15, 2019.
- E. Mr. Powless reported on the following retirements:
1. **Mary Hines**, Custodian at Chandler Elementary School, effective June 21, 2019.

2. **Denise Harris**, Program Assistant at Boonville High School, effective May 24, 2019.
3. **Frances Lutz**, Cafeteria employee at Boonville Middle School, effective May 24, 2019.
4. **Mike Irvin**, Custodian at Oakdale Elementary School, effective June 21, 2019.
5. **Michelle Boris**, First Grade teacher at JH Castle Elementary School, effective August 1, 2019.

Other Board Business

Mr. Schneider congratulated Mr. Todd Armstrong, Assistant Superintendent, and the entire Business Department on the very positive audit that was just concluded.

Policy and Curriculum Committee Meeting – Monday, April 8, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Services Building.

Transportation & Special Education Committee Meeting – Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the Administration Building.

Personnel & Contracts, Food & Nutrition, Custodial, and Safety Committee Meeting – Monday, April 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Services Building.

Construction, Technology, & Maintenance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 3, 2019, at 7:30 a.m. at the Administration Building.

Mr. Mosbey complimented the Castle High School Choir on their performance at State.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes were approved by the Warrick County Board of School Trustees on the _____ day of 2019.

Lynda Glover, Secretary of the Warrick County
Board of School Trustees

Attested:

Tim Mosbey, President of the Warrick County
Board of School Trustees