

**APPROVED**  
**WARRICK COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
**March 19, 2018**

The Warrick County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on March 19, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Central Services Building with all members present. President Thomas Welch called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Reports**

Mr. Welch introduced Mrs. Jane Wilhelmus, Director of Primary Curriculum and Instruction, who recognized the Warrick County School Corporation Spelling Bee winners and runners-up.

Twenty-five students advanced from the written round to the oral round. The oral round continued through 24 rounds and over 200 words. An EVSC student won the Bee, and Warrick County's own **Pranav Chandar** was the runner-up.

Ms. Wilhelmus asked the students to come forward to be recognized for their accomplishments at the Tri-State Spelling Bee. The Warrick County School Corporation winners and runners-up are:

**Pranav Chandar (Winner) – CHA**  
**Ingrid Braden (Runner-up) – CHA**

**Bailey Gravens (Winner) – SHA**  
**Jocelyn Seger (Runner-up) – SHA**

**Kelsey Thomas (Winner) – ELB**  
**Audrey Schultz (Runner-up) – ELB**

**Kadence Huffman (Winner) – TEN**  
**Marcus Lauderdale (Runner-up) – TEN**

**Akhil Alapati (Winner) – JHC**  
**Alison West (Runner-up) – JHC**

**Eden Poag (Winners) – YANK**  
**Olivia Vote (Runner-up) YANK**

**Kaylee Messer (Winner) – LOG**  
**Emma Lotess (Runner-up) – LOG**

**Katie Anderson (Winner) – BMS**  
**Lucas Scamahorn (Runner-up) BMS**

**Paxton Strahle (Winner) – LYN**  
**Brooke Seiler (Runner-up) – LYN**

**Stella Hahn (Winner) – TMS**  
**Elyssa Ernspiger (Runner-up) – TMS**

**Hashir Iftikhar (Winner) – NEW**  
**Brady Howton (Runner-up) – NEW**

**Jennifer Donnelly (Winner) – CSMS**  
**Aparna Kudiyirikkal (Runner-up) – CSMS**

**Anna Garrison (Winner) – OAK**  
**Luaren Gentry (Runner-up) – OAK**

**Sona Veeraraghavan (Winner) – CNMS**  
**Aparna Kudiyirikkal (Runner-up) - CNMS**

Mrs. Wilhelmus congratulated **Pranav Chandar** as the Warrick County School Corporation Spelling Bee Champion. She congratulated all of the students on their hard work. Mr. Tad Powless presented the certificates, medals, and trophy to the competitors.

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Mr. Schneider congratulated the students on their hard work and accomplishments. He also thanked the parents for being at the meeting tonight to recognize the outstanding achievements of our students.

### **Consideration of Routine Items**

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

- A. Approve the minutes of the School Board meeting held on March 5, 2018
- B. Approve Claims 1-223 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 Candace Nance and seconded by Tim Mosbey to approve a service agreement with WOW! Business to add nine (9) sites with Lit Fiber WAN service and ten (10) Gigabit dedicated internet access for the Administration Building, which will be our pipeline from the internet for the entire county, as presented. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Dorothy Kroeger and seconded by Candace Nance to approve the easement for Vectren to provide electrical service to the new athletic fields at Tecumseh High School, as presented. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Dorothy Kroeger and seconded by Candace Nance to approve a contract with Vectren to supply power to the newly developed athletic fields at Tecumseh High School, as presented. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Brenda Metzger to approve the easement for the Town of Newburgh to replace an old, failing sewer line located under the school with a new line around the outside of the building, as presented. Motion carried.
- E. A motion was made by Dorothy Kroeger and seconded by Brenda Metzger to approve the request of Newburgh Elementary School Principal, Mr. Kurt Krodel, to enter into a contract with Paragon Promotions and All Blown Up Rentals to provide inflatables for the April 20, 2018 Spring Carnival, as presented. Motion carried.
- F. A motion was made by Jeff Baker and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to accept a cash donation of \$1,718.58 from the FFA Alumni Group to Castle High School, as presented. Motion carried.

### **Consideration of Personnel Recommendations**

Mr. Tad Powless, Director of Human Resources, presented requests for transfer and leaves of absence. Upon his recommendation:

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- A. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the transfer of **Tina Miley**, Custodian at Loge Elementary School to Castle South Middle School. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Leah Eubank**, cafeteria employee at Castle North Middle School, a medical leave of absence beginning March 19, 2018 with an anticipated return date of April 4, 2018. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Jeff Baker to approve the request of **Holly Meyer**, Fourth Grade teacher at Oakdale Elementary School, a maternity leave of absence beginning April 23, 2018 with a return date of August 7, 2018 using sick/personal days and FMLA. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Dorothy Kroeger and seconded by Lynda Glover to approve the request of **Carla Martin**, Program Assistant at Castle North Middle School, a personal leave of absence to work as the temporary Secretary/Treasurer at Castle North Middle School. Her leave will begin April 2, 2018 with a return date of August 7, 2018. Motion carried.
- E. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Candace Nance to approve the request of **Emily McGill**, Program Assistant at Boonville High School, a personal leave of absence beginning August 7, 2018 with a return date of November 5, 2018. Motion carried.
- F. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Jeff Baker to approve the request of **Olivia Kleeman**, Special Education teacher at Chandler Elementary School, a medical leave of absence beginning March 19, 2018 with a return date of April 6, 2018 using sick/personal days and FMLA. Motion carried.
- G. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Lynda Glover to approve the request of **Darlene Fyffe**, cafeteria employee at Chandler Elementary School, a medical leave of absence beginning March 23, 2018 with an anticipated return date of May 7, 2018. Motion carried.

Mr. Powless reported on the following resignation:

- A. **Savannah Stiles**, Program Assistant at Castle High School, effective March 9, 2018.

## Other Board Business

Ms. Metzger told the Board that she had spoken to a Program Assistant that she encountered in the public. The assistant asked her to pass along to the Board how grateful she is that the Program Assistants are recognized as an important part of our education system.

Ms. Glover asked how the walk-outs went last Wednesday.

Mr. Schneider said that they went very well. Each of the schools set up their own program to allow any student that wanted to participate the time and safe place to do so. There were no major issues reported. To clarify, there was also no penalty for those who

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participated. Approximately 500 students participated to honor those seventeen students that passed away.

**Construction, Technology & Maintenance Committee Meeting** – Wednesday, April 4, 2018, at 7:30 a.m. at the Administration Building.

**Transportation & Special Education Committee Meeting** – Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at 8:15 a.m. at the Administration Building.

**Personnel, Food & Nutrition, and Custodial Committee Meeting** – Monday, April 2, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Service Building.

**Policy and Curriculum Committee Meeting** – Monday, April 2, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Services Building.

A motion was made by Dorothy Kroeger and seconded by Lynda Glover to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

These minutes were approved by the Warrick County Board of School Trustees on the 2nd day of April, 2018.

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Candace Nance, Secretary of the Warrick County  
Board of School Trustees

Attested:

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Thomas Welch, President of the Warrick County  
Board of School Trustees