

APPROVED
WARRICK COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
April 2, 2018

The Warrick County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on April 2, 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.

Patron Concerns

John Hurley, Career and Technical teacher at South Spencer High School came before the Board to introduce himself as a candidate for State Representative for District 75. He said being an educator and also the son of an educator are a big reason he is running.

Reports

Kelli Ralston, a teacher at Union County, Kentucky and a Master's Degree candidate in the School of Library Science at the University of Kentucky spoke to the Board regarding the benefits of having Media Specialists in schools.

Mr. Schneider added that the walk-outs in Kentucky and Oklahoma that happened today were a good thing. Our schools are severely underfunded and programs like Media Specialists and Librarians for every school are becoming scarce because our resources are becoming scarce. We have to find ways to cut corners. "Cutting corners is never a good idea". Indiana schools are still being funded today, 2018, slightly above 2009 levels. Everyone should be concerned with this. He said he applauds the information Ms. Ralston provided today and he applauds people, such as Mr. Hurley, who are going to stand up and start making public education a serious political topic.

Consideration of Routine Items

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

- A. Approve the minutes of the School Board meeting held on March 19, 2018
- B. Approve Claims 1-49 dated March 27, 2018 and sign the docket
- C. Approve Claims 1-77 dated April 2, 2018 and sign the docket
- D. 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 Dorothy Kroeger to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar, as presented. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the change order from Arc Construction Company, Inc. to provide lime

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- C. stabilization for the track area at Tecumseh High School, as presented. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Jeff Baker to grant permission to Lynnville and Sharon Elementary School's to enter into contracts with Backyard Blasts for their spring carnivals, as presented. Motion carried.
- E. A motion was made by Dorothy Kroeger and seconded by Candace Nance to accept a donation of a Buddy Bench from the Hunter Strong Fund to Yankeetown Elementary School, as presented. Motion carried.
- F. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Lynda Glover to accept a cash donation of \$2,500.00 from the Knob Hill Holdings, Inc. to Castle High School to be used by the Business Professionals of America to attend the National contest, as presented. Motion carried.

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

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

- A. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Lois Jackson**, Custodian at JH Castle Elementary School, an extension to her previously approved personal leave of absence that began October 6, 2017 with a return date of April 3, 2018. The new return date will be July 3, 2018. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Jeff Baker to approve the request of **Julie Posey**, Special Education teacher at Oakdale Elementary School, a medical leave of absence beginning March 2, 2018 with an anticipated return date of April 12, 2018, using sick/personal days and FMLA. Motion carried.

Mr. Powless reported on the following resignations:

- A. **Melanie Bosza**, First Grade teacher at Sharon Elementary School, effective May 24, 2018
- B. **Lacy Baumgart**, Title 1 teacher at Sharon Elementary School, effective March 26, 2018
- C. **Melissa Zehner**, Cafeteria employee at Castle North Middle School, effective March 26, 2018

Mr. Powless next reported on the following retirements:

- A. **Cornelia (Connie) King**, Social Studies teacher at Boonville Middle School, effective May 24, 2018

Other Board Business

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

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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, May 7, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Service Building.

Mrs. Kroeger let the Board know that Ag Days were this week.

Mr. Schneider asked to schedule a Work Session on April 16, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at this building to discuss upcoming construction projects and future planning.

Mr. Schneider also informed the Board of the WCTA Retirement Dinner that is to be held on May 16, 2018.

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

These minutes were approved by the Warrick County Board of School Trustees on the 16th day of April, 2018.

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

Attested:

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

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