

APPROVED
WARRICK COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
April 16, 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 except Jeff Baker. President Thomas Welch called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reports

Mrs. Jane Wilhelmus introduced the Boonville High School Art students whose pieces were displayed at the Evansville Museum for the 55th High School Art Show. Their teacher, Mr. Bryce Burnett said that there were approximately 700 entries into the art show this year. He said it is a high honor to get into the show and was very proud of how many students were from Boonville High School.

Mrs. Wilhelmus next introduced Jared McKinley, 8th grade student from Tecumseh Middle School as the winner of their National Geographic Geography Bee.

Mr. Schneider introduced Alicia Gilkey and Angela Cluck, co-advisors of Castle High School's Business Professionals of America and some of the student participants. Ms. Gilkey said that 64 members competed in various business areas in the regional competition, and 50 advanced to State. Seventeen qualified for Nationals in Dallas, TX.

Mr. Schneider congratulated the students and their advisors. He pointed out that tonight we had Art, Business Professionals, and Geography students participating in these events. He said that this proves that there is more to school than just testing English, Language Arts, and Math. He said he is glad to see Warrick County School students receiving a well-rounded education. He thanked them for representing our schools in such a positive manner.

Consideration of Routine Items

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

- A. Approve the minutes of the School Board meeting held on April 2, 2018
- B. Approve Claims 1-214 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 Lynda Glover to approve the purchase of two (2) Type-C Special Needs gas-fueled buses with wheelchair lifts from MacAllister Sales for \$198,256.00, two (2) FE Type-D buses

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from Kerlin Bus Sales for \$201,002.00 and two (2) Type-A Multi-functional School Activity Buses from Mid-West Bus for \$113,332.00, as presented.

Mr. Schneider wanted it noted that the bids on the Special Education gas-fueled buses from MacAllister Sales were not the lowest bid. Since we need these buses for the 2018-2019 school year and because this is the first year Mid-West will have gas-fueled buses and the engine is still not in production, our Transportation Manager and our head mechanic are recommending we accept this bid. Motion carried.

- B. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Brenda Metzger to award the bid to purchase 3,500 Lenovo 100e Chromebooks from CDW-G for a total bid of \$764,925.00, as presented. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Dorothy Kroeger and seconded by Lynda Glover to approve the student agenda books for 2018-2019, as presented. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve both Oakdale Elementary and Tennyson Elementary Schools to enter into a contract with Backyard Blasts for inflatables, as presented. Motion carried.
- E. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to accept a cash donation of \$5,612.60 to JH Castle Elementary to be used to purchase 38 2-way radios from the PTO, as presented. Motion carried.

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

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

- A. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to employ **Joe Spinks** as Head Custodian at Castle North Middle School. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Lynda Glover to employ **Mary Ward** as Secretary/Treasurer at Sharon Elementary School. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to employ **Danielle Russell** as Secretary/Treasurer at Warrick Education Center. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Lynda Glover to terminate the employment of **Lori LaMar**, Clerical Aide at Castle High School. Motion carried.
- E. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Karen Freeman**, Kindergarten teacher at Sharon Elementary School, a medical leave of absence beginning April 30, 2018 with a return date of August 7, 2018 using sick/personal days and FMLA. Motion carried.
- F. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Gary Harper**, Custodian at Castle High School, a medical

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leave of absence beginning March 14, 2018 with a return date of April 16, 2018 using sick/personal days and FMLA. Motion carried.

- G. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Kimberly Elzer**, cafeteria employee at Boonville Middle School, an extension to her previously approved medical leave of absence that began February 20, 2018 with a return date of April 4, 2018. The new anticipated return date will be April 30, 2018. Motion carried.
- H. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Lynda Glover to approve the request of **Jane Baker**, FACS teacher at Tecumseh Middle/High School, to amend her previously approved medical leave of absence that was to begin March 21, 2018 with a return date of April 25, 2018. The new beginning date will now be April 6, 2018 with an anticipated return date of April 25, 2018.
- I. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Cheryl Hedges**, Custodian at Castle High School, an unpaid medical leave of absence beginning April 4, 2018 with a return to be determined by her physician. Motion carried.
- J. A motion was made by Candace Nance and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Jaci Floyd**, Curriculum Secretary, a medical leave of absence beginning April 10, 2018 with a return date of May 31, 2018 using sick/personal days and FMLA. Motion carried.
- K. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Candace Nance to approve the request of **John Copeland**, Physical Education teacher at Castle High School, a personal leave of absence for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried.
- L. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Dorothy Kroeger to approve the request of **Julie Posey**, Special Education teacher at Oakdale Elementary School, an extension to her previously approved medical leave of absence beginning March 2, 2018 with an anticipated return date of April 12, 2018. The new return date will be April 25, 2018. Motion carried.

Mr. Powless reported on the following resignations:

- A. **Janet Theiring**, Transportation Route #205, effective June 1, 2018
- B. **Courtney Dame**, Temporary Program Assistant at JH Castle Elementary, effective April 2, 2018
- C. **Alexandra Enright**, cafeteria employee at Castle High School, effective May 9, 2018
- D. **Katie-Sue Meyer**, Science teacher at Castle South Middle School, effective May 24, 2018
- E. **Rebecca Courtney**, Computer Science teacher at Boonville Middle School, effective May 24, 2018
- F. **Rosten Hamman**, Elementary teacher at JH Castle Elementary School, effective May 24, 2018

Mr. Powless next reported on the following retirements:

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- A. **Steve Altstadt**, Science Teacher at Boonville High School, effective May 24, 2018
- B. **Linda Howard**, Secretary/Treasurer at Sharon Elementary School, effective June 7, 2018
- C. **Kim Stevens**, Warrick County School Corporation Payroll Manager, effective August 3, 2018
- D. **Sandy Shamblin**, Health aide at Castle High School, effective May 24, 2018
- E. **Ruth Salley**, FACS teacher at Castle North Middle School, effective May 24, 2018

He reported on the following reassignment:

- A. **Karri Wilkison**, First shift Custodian at Loge Elementary School.

Other Board Business

Construction, Technology & Maintenance Committee Meeting – Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at 7:30 a.m. at the Administration Building.

Transportation & Special Education Committee Meeting – Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at 8:45 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.

Policy and Curriculum Committee Meeting – Monday, May 7, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Services Building.

Mr. Schneider reminded the Board that they will be leaving from the Administration Building at 4:15 p.m. on April 24, 2018 for the ISBA Spring Regional Meeting.

He also reminded the Board of the various end-of-year banquets.

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 7th day of May, 2018.

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

Attested:

Thomas Welch, President of the Warrick County
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