

APPROVED
WARRICK COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
May 20, 2019

The Warrick County Board of School Trustees met in regular session on May 20, 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.

Patron Concerns

Don Lochmueller came before the Board with questions regarding tuition for non-resident students. He said he thought funding from the state followed the student. He asked if charging tuition was common throughout the state. He also asked if the child went to daycare in Warrick County, would they have to pay tuition.

Mr. Schneider said that yes, the state funding does stay with the student. The corporation that reports a child on the ADM receives the state funding for that student. There is also funding that is tied to the local property tax and that is the tuition that Warrick County chooses to charge.

Mr. Schneider said that it is not common throughout the state to charge tuition, but Warrick County has chosen to do so.

He said that attending daycare in Warrick County does not have any impact on paying tuition.

Mark Phillips came before the Board, again asking the Board to investigate concession stand revenue at Tecumseh High School.

He also, again, asked the Board to look into making a bullying/hazing policy that includes adults. He asked how he and the group he represents can get on the agenda and participate in an upcoming meeting.

Mr. Baker said that the committee is currently dealing with other policies and can't just table those to address Mr. Phillips' policy questions. He said this is something that they will look at during a future meeting when there is room on the committee's agenda.

Mr. Phillips next said he was there to represent the Schlechty family in regards to a bullying issue at Castle High School that he feels is not being addressed.

Mr. Schneider said that he has spoken to both Mr. Schlechty and Mr. Gresham, Principal of Castle High School. He said that he told Mr. Schlechty that mistakes were made and not properly handled. After meeting with Administration, additional steps were taken and the situation was address properly.

Mr. Schlechty said that no one would give him an answer as to what steps were taken.

Mr. Schneider said that the Administration will not discuss discipline that is handed out to other students, which is a violation of FERPA.

Mr. Schneider said that he would get with Mr. Gresham so that he can communicate with the Schlechty's what the plan is for keeping their son safe.

Bennie Arnold, 5919 Pemberly Ct., Newburgh, IN, came before the Board with concerns regarding discipline and fact finding procedures. He was not happy with an expulsion hearing and procedures leading up to it regarding his grandson.

After discussion, it was decided that he and the child's mother talk to Mr. Neff regarding the situation.

Consideration of Routine Items

A motion was made by Jane Wilhelmus and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to approve the following Routine Items, as listed:

- A. Approve the minutes of the School Board meeting held on
- B. Approve Claims 1-249 dated May 20, 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 Jane Wilhelms and seconded by Lynda Glover to name Ali Johnson as the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, as presented. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to award Food/Non-food and Commodity Process Food bid to Wabash Foodservice, CRS OneSource and Commercial Food Systems by line item; the Dairy bid to Prairie Farms; the Paper/Plastic/Cleaning Supplies by line item to the lowest bidders, Wabash Foodservice and CRS OneSource; the Beverage bids by line item to the lowest bidders, Wabash Foodservice, Pepsi, Royal Crown, Commercial Food Systems, and CRS OneSource; and the Food Safety and Sanitation Program to SFSPac, as presented. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Jane Wilhelmus to accept a cash donation of \$6,576.00 to Tennyson Elementary School from the Tennyson PTO to purchase a custom shade system for the playground, as presented. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Jeff Baker and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to accept an anonymous cash donation of \$1,000.00 to Tecumseh High School to be used to assist needy students, as presented. Motion carried.

Consideration of Personnel Recommendations

Dr. Walter Lambert 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 Lynda Glover to employ **Robert Bennett** as Social Studies teacher at Castle High School. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Jane Wilhelmus to employ **Stephen Slepsky** as Social Studies teacher at Castle High School. Motion carried.
 3. A motion was made by Stephanie Gerhardt and seconded by Jeff Baker to employ **Shelly Aull** as 8th Grade Science teacher at Boonville Middle School. Motion carried.
 4. A motion was made by Jeff Baker and seconded by Lynda Glover to employ **Pearce Bartley** as Language Arts teacher at Boonville High School. Motion carried.
 5. A motion was made by Brenda Metzger and seconded by Lynda Glover to employ **Jonathan Batts** as Special Education/Language Arts teacher at Boonville High School. Motion carried.
 6. A motion was made by Jane Wilhelmus and seconded by Brenda Metzger to employ **Mallory Davis** as Custodian at Sharon Elementary School. Motion carried.
 7. A motion was made by Jeff Baker and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to employ **Jenna Tennyson** as Custodian at Yankeetown Elementary School. Motion carried.
 8. A motion was made by Jane Wilhelmus and seconded by Stephanie Gerhardt to employ **Natasha Padgett** as Custodian at JH Castle Elementary School. Motion carried.
 9. A motion was made by Stephanie Gerhardt and seconded by Jeff Baker to employ **Lori Williamson** as Custodian at Chandler Elementary School. Motion carried.
 10. A motion was made by Jane Wilhelmus and seconded by Jeff Baker to employ **Kasey Pruden** as Custodian at Oakdale Elementary School. Motion carried.
 11. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Brenda Metzger to employ **Emily Carta** as Cafeteria employee at Tecumseh Middle School. Motion carried.
 12. A motion was made by Stephanie Gerhardt and seconded by Lynda Glover to employ **Tammy Hungate** as Cafeteria employee at Tecumseh Middle School. Motion carried.
- B. Leave Requests:
1. A motion was made by Lynda Glover and seconded by Jeff Baker to approve the request of **Kristin Anderson**, Preschool teacher at Loge Elementary School, a maternity leave beginning September 7, 2019 with a return date of October 21, 2019 using sick days and FMLA. Motion carried.
- C. Mr. Powless reported on the following resignations:
1. **Kimberly Derk**, Behavior Consultant, effective June 7, 2019
 2. **Julie Tilsworth**, Title 1 teacher at Lynnville Elementary School, effective May 23, 2019

Reports

Mr. Schneider reported that over 700 students graduated during the three ceremonies held this weekend. He said that the Warrick Education Center graduation will be held this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Baker reported on the topics discussed at the Construction Committee Meeting. They were: Extending the discus fence at Tecumseh High School; security cameras and AI phone systems being installed at entrances beginning May 20, 2019 at various schools with the remainder being completed within nine months; HVAC replacements and minor renovations at Castle I and Tecumseh High Schools, Castle North Middle School, and Loge Elementary; the new football field and additional locker room at Castle South Middle School is out for quote; new bleachers at Castle High School have been ordered; the additional Corporation storage facility to be constructed adjacent to Boonville High School will begin in June.

Mrs. Gerhardt reported on the topics discussed at the Policy and Curriculum Meeting. They were: Agenda books for 2019-2020 school year are ready to go; continuing to work on proposed language to address social media to be added to Acceptable Use policy; the primary concern with the new ILEARN is that it was lengthy since it is not timed.

Mr. Mosbey reminded the Board of the June 17, 2019 Executive Session.

Other Board Business

Policy and Curriculum Committee Meeting – Monday, June 3, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Services Building.

Transportation & Special Education Committee Meeting – Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the Administration Building.

Personnel & Contracts, Food & Nutrition, Custodial, and Safety Committee Meeting – Monday, June 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the Central Services Building.

Construction, Technology, & Maintenance Committee Meeting – Tuesday, June 4, 2019, at 7:30 a.m. at the Administration Building.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes were approved by the Warrick County Board of School Trustees on the 3rd day of June, 2019.

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

Attested:

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