

**BARTHOLOMEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019 MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation was held at Rockcreek Elementary School, 1300 E 200 S, Columbus, IN, 47203, on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., pursuant to notice having been duly given to the media and to all members of the Board in accordance with the rules of the Board.

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present:                   Dr. Jill Shedd, President  
                              Mr. Richard Stenner, Vice President  
                              Mrs. Kathy Dayhoff-Dwyer, Secretary  
                              Dr. Julie Bilz, Member  
                              Mr. Pat Bryant, Member  
                              Mr. Jeff Caldwell, Member  
                              Mr. James Persinger, Member

Administration:         Dr. Jim Roberts, Superintendent  
                              Ms. Teresa Heiny, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources  
                              Mr. Chad Phillips, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services  
                              Dr. Laura Hack, Director of Elementary Education  
                              Mr. William Jensen, Director of Secondary Education  
                              Dr. Brett Boezeman, Director of Operations  
                              Dr. Gina Pleak, Director of Title Services  
                              Dr. George Van Horn, Director of Special Education

School Attorney:        Mr. Chris Monroe

**REGULAR SESSION**

Mr. Bryant shared reflections.

Following the pledge of allegiance, the meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Rockcreek Elementary students, Jaclyn Dettmer and Reid Koester, read the mission and vision.

Dr. Shedd noted the mission, vision and high expectation objectives.

## **WHO/WHY**

### **Recognition of HOSA State Champions (Future Health Professionals of America)**

(Dr. G. Hack/Jennifer Steinwedel/Carol Behling/Kay Gorday/Stacey Horn)

- 2019 Outstanding HOSA Advisor-Jennifer Steinwedel
- HOSA State Officer-Brianna Arreola
- State Champions

Ms. Steinwedel, teacher, shared that the HOSA students brought home 21 medals from the state competition. She thanked the board for their support and introduced the state champion HOSA students. The board and cabinet congratulated the state champions and advisors. It was noted that Ms. Steinwedel was named the 2019 Outstanding HOSA Advisor.

### **Recognition of Academic Super Bowl State Champions**

- Northside Middle School Super Bowl Science Team-State Champions (Anne Freeman)

Ms. Freeman, Advisor, introduced the Science Super Bowl State Champion team members. The board and cabinet congratulated Ms. Freeman and the students.

- Central Middle School Super Bowl Interdisciplinary Team-State Champions (Beth Flamion/Kate Slabosky/Mindy Summers/Karla Eudy)

Ms. Slabosky, Advisor, introduced the Super Bowl Interdisciplinary team members. The board and cabinet congratulated the state champions and the advisors.

### **Recognition of Indiana State Math Contest Champions**

- Karthik Varigonda-Central Middle School-Perfect Score (Beth Flamion)

Ms. Flamion, Teacher, introduced Karthik Varigonda. The board and cabinet congratulated Karthik for receiving a perfect score at the state math contest.

- Matthew Liu-Columbus North High School-Perfect Score (Jason Perry)

Mr. Perry, Teacher, introduced Matthew Liu. The board and cabinet congratulated Matthew for receiving a perfect score at the state math contest.

### **Recognition of 2019 Retirees (Ms. Heiny)**

Ms. Heiny introduced the 2019 retirees and shared their years of service. There were 47 retirees listed and Ms. Heiny noted, that when totaled, they had 1200 years of service. The board and cabinet congratulated the retirees, and they received a gift of appreciation.

### **Rockcreek Elementary School Best Practice (Mrs. Dettmer)**

Mrs. Dettmer, Rockcreek Principal, shared the Rockcreek Elementary information slide. Mrs. Dettmer, Mrs. Williams, Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Facilitator, and Ms. Koester, STEM Lab Teacher, shared information on the STEM Lab at Rockcreek. After visiting other BCSC elementary schools' STEM Labs, Rockcreek created a goal, and put their lab in place by securing funding from the Landmark Foundation and Cummins. Information was shared on student STEM projects such as making a planting machine, a no-wire circuit, a wind-up Mars rover and a safe stopping robot. The UDL connection of engagement, representation, action and expression was noted.

### **Columbus Signature Academy-Fodrea Campus-Project Based Learning through a Global Lens (Mrs. Linneweber)**

Mrs. Linneweber, CSA-Fodrea Principal, Mrs. Hashman, UDL Facilitator, and Teachers, Ms. Weaver and Mr. Keepes, shared their compelling challenge of how CSA Fodrea can become the school of choice in Central Indiana. Information was presented to show what Project Based Learning (PBL) through a global lens would look like. The CSA-Fodrea Continuous Improvement Council (CIC) considered their Plan on a Page improvement goals as they developed the pathway. The approach would focus on global awareness as the world becomes a fundamental tool for project based learning. The next steps were noted to be intentional professional development, grants and funding, and the creation of student squads and parent and student design teams.

The following information was shared in response to questions from the board.

The student squads will include students from multi-grades and will create a sense of belonging and collaboration.

The goal is to have a holistic approach as they change the culture of the school. Families and students will be encouraged to buy in to the pathway.

CSA-Fodrea looked at Columbus in regards to local companies and individuals that are from all over the world. They want to create students that are ready to step out of the box and be successful employees and globally ready citizens.

### **Energy Management (Dr. Boezeman/Mr. Phillips)**

Dr. Boezeman shared information on the Energy Efficiency and Facility Improvement Bond of 2019. Investing from the Debt Service Fund conversations have been on-going for several years, and BCSC has consulted with several entities and other school districts. An energy efficiency index and energy use for nine BCSC sites was shared. The Administration Building has recently updated controls and this has saved \$11,000 in the past few months. Dr. Boezeman shared that LED lighting would replace the current light bulbs across the corporation with an

estimated reduction in cost to be \$325,000 a year. Most LED replacements would be retrofit and the estimated cost to install would be \$1,700,000. Northside Middle School and Taylorsville Elementary School are being considered for solar projects. These would be low maintenance, rooftop units. An estimated annual savings at Northside would be \$113,655 and the estimated annual savings at Taylorsville would be \$48,222. The estimated cost for the solar project at both schools would be \$1,700,000. Dr. Boezeman shared a graph showing both schools monthly energy use vs solar generation. Other facility items of need, based on CSO Architect's 2012/2016 facility studies, were noted to be the Northside Middle School controls at a cost of \$250,000, Northside kitchen HVAC at a cost of \$40,000 and Mt. Healthy roof replacement at a cost of \$980,000. Dr. Boezeman shared the total estimated cost of all the projects to be \$4,670,000 with an annual energy savings of \$466,000. This energy savings would free up dollars to help fund School Resource Officers (SROs)

The following information was shared in response to questions from the board.

The estimated savings are a little under estimated and on the conservative side. Costs are typically over estimated.

The Mt. Healthy roof needs replaced and is unrelated to energy savings.

When replacing a roof, there would be no additional cost for the roof to support solar.

The corporation adds bond capacity this year and tax rates are consistent with the previous five to seven years. This bond issue would be tax neutral, and the full-year savings of approximately \$460,000 in utility costs would offset the cost of being fully staffed by SROs in 2020.

The corporation is presently installing LED bulbs when a replacement is required. When the full replacement takes place, a contractor will do several schools in one bundle. There are several vendors that meet the needed requirements and are providing this service.

There are rebates and tax credits for using solar energy and LED lighting. We are already taking advantage of LED rebates and incentives. Some incentives are 15% of the cost.

Duke Energy provides power for both Northside Middle and Taylorsville Elementary. The corporation has a great relationship with Duke.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **WHAT**

### **1) Board Commendations:**

The following commendations were noted:

The **Columbus North High School Band** received the Indiana State School Music Association All-Music Award for the 2018-19 school year.

Dr. Shedd travelled with Dr. Boezeman, Karen Wetherald, Manager of Transportation and Bus Drivers, Brian Cain and Kris Whipker to Kerlin Bus Sales in Silver Lake, Indiana. They toured the facility and the buses that BCSC recently purchased that have the newest safety features. Dr. Shedd commended the professionalism and knowledge of the bus drivers and Mrs. Wetherald. She also commended the representatives from Kerlin for consistently noting student safety as their priority.

### **2) School Board Member Reports:**

Dr. Shedd attended the Corporation Continuous Improvement Council (CCIC) meeting where safety and security upgrades were shared, including the new safety technology on the eight new school buses. Discussions were also held on the outcome of the legislative session, the stakeholder satisfaction survey results, energy savings and the results of the Plan on a Page “Impact on Student Learning” exercise.

Mr. Caldwell attended the City and County Redevelopment Commission meetings. He shared that the county discussed expanding the Tax Increment Finance (TIF) district to include property on North US 31, north of the Outlet Mall.

### **3) Cabinet Reports**

No reports were shared.

## **HOW**

### **5) Requests for Approval: (Dr. Roberts)**

Dr. Roberts reviewed the following items for the Board.

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of April 22, 2019
- b. Supplemental Contracts (Dr. Hack/Mr. Jensen)
- c. Field Trips/Professional Leaves (Dr. Hack/Mr. Jensen)
- d. School Fundraisers (Dr. Hack/Mr. Jensen)
- e. Claims and Payroll (Mr. Phillips)
- f. Authorization to Publish Notice of a 1028 Hearing (Dr. Boezeman/Mr. Phillips)

Dr. Roberts shared additional information on the requests for approval. He requested approval of Items 5) a-f.

Mr. Persinger made a motion to approve the reviewed items, and Mr. Caldwell seconded the motion.

Mr. Phillips affirmed that the claims and payroll entries had been reviewed and found to be in order.

Upon a call for the vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

5) Columbus Educators Association #REDFORED Resolution (Dr. Roberts)

Dr. Roberts noted that the board was given the #REDFORED resolution for review at the previous board meeting. The Columbus Educators Association (CEA) asked the board to approve the resolution in support of their efforts of the #REDFORED movement.

Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer made a motion to approve the CEA #REDFORED resolution, and Dr. Bilz seconded the motion.

Upon a call for the vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

**6) Request for Approval of Human Resources Recommendations (Ms. Heiny)**

Ms. Heiny requested approval of the Human Resources as presented including the additional recommendation placed at their seats.

Mr. Bryant a motion to approve the Human Resources recommendations, and Mr. Caldwell seconded the motion.

Upon a call for the vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**BOARD INPUT/REVIEW**

Dr. Bilz shared her appreciation for the hard work of all teachers this school year.

President Shedd reported that the next school board meeting would be June 10, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building in the Terrace Room.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_Secretary

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_President