

**BARTHOLOMEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2015 MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation was held at the Mt. Healthy Elementary School, 12150 S State Road 58, Columbus, Indiana on Monday, October 19, 2015, at 7:00 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: Mr. Robert Abrams, President
 Mr. Rich Stenner, Secretary
 Mr. Pat Bryant, Member
 Mr. Jeff Caldwell, Member
 Mrs. Kathy Dayhoff-Dwyer, Member
 Mrs. Polly Verbanic, Member

Absent: Dr. Jill Shedd, Vice President

Administration: Dr. John Quick, Superintendent
 Ms. Teresa Heiny, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
 Dr. Vaughn Sylva, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services
 Mrs. Laura Hack, Director of Elementary Education
 Mr. William Jensen, Director of Secondary Education

School Attorney: Mrs. Kelly Benjamin

BUSINESS MEETING

Mr. Bryant offered reflections.

Mt. Healthy Elementary student, Jacob Chadd, sang the National Anthem.

President Abrams called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

LEADERSHIP AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

Mt. Healthy Elementary Students, Noah Sims, Kingen Burbrink and Ava Goode, read the BCSC Mission and Vision. Mr. Abrams noted the High Expectation Objectives.

PRESENTATIONS

Mt. Healthy Elementary School Best Practice:

Mrs. Hack noted that Mrs. Wetherald, Mt. Healthy Principal and students would present on engagement opportunities that are critical to the success of students and how stakeholders play an important part in this success.

Mrs. Wetherald, Mrs. Rebber, Mt. Healthy Physical Education Teacher, Mrs. Streeval, Mt. Healthy Teaching Assistant and students shared examples of how students engage with the community, their families and peers to create lifelong learners. It was noted that Mt. Healthy is extremely welcoming and events are very well attended by family and community members. Through the American Dairy Association and the NFL Play60 Grant, students are encouraged to make healthy food and fitness choices. On a daily basis, students take a “brain break” to participate in physical activity. A video was shared of all classrooms taking part in a Fit Friday activity.

2015 Indiana Prevention Resource Center Youth Survey:

Mr. Perkinson, BCSC Student Assistance Coordinator, shared a summary of the Indiana Youth Survey (INYS) that was administered to grades six through twelve last spring. He noted that our youth are remarkable leaders and they are making good decisions as the downward trend in the data shows. This is also reflective of community and student commitment to education and to agree to do the right thing. Mr. Perkinson shared information on the use of tobacco, electronic vapor products, alcohol and marijuana. He noted that monthly usage statistics were the best predictors, and most percentages had dropped. Data from questions relating to mental health, peers, school, family and neighborhoods was also shared. In closing, Mr. Perkinson shared the school and community opportunities for education, partnerships and development of youth leadership.

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

Student engagement with peers, families and the community are important to their mental health. Schools and the community are intentionally emphasizing the importance of relationships and people skills.

Mr. Perkinson shared that he was grateful that the Board, even in difficult economic times, had kept nurses and counselors in each school. He noted the value of the School Resource Officers as well.

More parent and student education is needed to address the harmfulness of electronic vapor products. The Healthy Communities Committee is addressing this issue.

It was requested that the education of Safe Dating be added to the list of education opportunities provided for students.

PUBLIC DIALOGUE:

Mr. Funk, CSO Architect, shared that both Columbus North and Columbus East addition/renovation projects were awarded an American Institute of Architects (AIA) Merit Award. The Columbus East award was for excellence in architecture and the Columbus North award was for preservation, adaptive reuse and renovation. Mr. Funk presented plaques that will be displayed at the high schools.

President Abrams thanked CSO Architects for their good work. He also commended BCSC Director of Operations, Mr. Forster and his team, Dr. Quick, Administrators and the Board.

STUDENT AND STAKEHOLDER FOCUS (3.0)

1) Comments of Individuals and Delegations:

No one signed in to speak.

2) Board Commendations:

Mr. Stenner commended Dale Nowlin, Columbus North Math Department Chair, for being reappointed to serve on the United States Department of Education National Assessment Governing Board.

MEASUREMENT, ANALYSIS, AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT (4.0)

3) ADM Annual Report:

Dr. Sylva shared the ADM student count from September 2015. In 2014, kindergartners were counted as a half student, but in 2015, kindergartners were counted as a whole student in the funding formula. The September count funds the first half of the school year, July 1st to December 31st. The total September ADM student count was reported to be 11,250.64, an increase of 52 students when compared to the September 2014 count. The budget was built on an increase of 30 students. The additional 22 students generate an additional \$60,000. The student count by school and by grade level was shared, showing an increase of 120 elementary students, a decrease of 46.91 students in middle school, and a decrease of 21 students in high school.

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

The next ADM student count is in February 2016 and it will fund January through June.

Mt. Healthy Elementary School had the largest enrollment increase, and one classroom was added.

The corporation has well over 12,000 students on campus daily when all students that walk through the door are counted. This would include Pre-K, Adult Education and students from other counties that attend C4 programs.

The students from St. Peter's Lutheran School and St. Bartholomew Catholic School that attend BCSC middle schools are counted as a fraction of a student; according to how many periods they attend in an eight period day. This is a good partnership as the students feed into our schools. BCSC middle schools are attractive because students can earn high school credits.

It is assumed that the state funding formula will continue to fund kindergarten students as whole students.

4) School Attorney Report:

Mrs. Benjamin shared that the community survey at the Put Children First symposium noted that the number one issue in dealing with juveniles had to do with the emotional, social and mental health of children. The community recognizes this as a need and will work together to address this.

5) School Board Member Reports:

Mr. Caldwell attended the Districting & Facility Committee meeting where the ADM was discussed and community members shared information on new housing additions in the district.

Dr. Quick added that the new apartments on Cottage Avenue are in Schmitt Elementary School's attendance area, but families will also have the option to choose to attend the magnet school of Columbus Signature Academy-Lincoln Campus.

6) Cabinet Report:

Ms. Heiny shared that school districts are required to report the results of the annual staff performance evaluations at an open meeting. She shared a graph of the district average scores and noted the areas that need improvement. School-Wide Learning Outcomes and Self Reflection is a work in progress. She shared that the School-Wide Learning Outcomes were piloted last year and instituted in all classrooms this year. A great deal of discussion and modeling has taken place this year around Self-Reflection.

The Columbus Educators Association (CEA) is planning on their membership completing a survey on the teacher evaluations this fall.

In response to questions from the board, the following information was shared.

Professional Learning Communities benefit School-Wide Learning Outcomes.

Dr. Quick noted that he was proud of the great work on the development of the evaluation process by the Columbus Educators Association, BCSC Administrators and Principals. The BCSC teacher evaluation model has been highly recognized by the Indiana Teacher Appraisal Support System (INTASS), the Indiana Department of Education and Indiana University. The model meets all requirements and is about teachers getting better and not a “gotcha”. It also identifies those not meeting the standards. The system is working.

EDUCATIONAL PROCESS FOR BOARD ACTION (6.0)

7) Requests for Approval: (Dr. Quick)

Dr. Quick reviewed the following items for the Board.

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of September 28, 2015 and the Minutes of the Executive Session of September 30, 2015 (attachment)
- b. Supplemental Contracts (attachment)
- c. Field Trips/Professional Leaves (attachment)
- d. Claims (attachment)
- e. To Award the Bid for Rockcreek Elementary Addition (attachment)
- f. To Award the Bid for Southside Elementary Improvements (attachment)
- g. Toyota Material Handling, USA, Inc. \$5000 donation to the Columbus North High School Girls’ Basketball Locker Room and meeting Room Space (attachment)

Mr. Bryant made a motion to approve the items as described by Dr. Quick. The motion was seconded by Mr. Caldwell.

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

FACULTY AND STAFF FOCUS FOR ACTION (5.0)

8) Request for Approval of Human Resources Recommendations:

There were no Human Resources recommendations.

BOARD INPUT/REVIEW

President Abrams shared that the next school board meeting would be November 9, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at Clifty Creek Elementary School.

Dr. Quick shared that football playoffs begin this weekend with Columbus East @ Franklin and Columbus North vs. Center Grove. Cross Country, Volley Ball and the Marching Bands continue to compete well this fall.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

_____Secretary

Attest:_____President