

**BARTHOLOMEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018 MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation was held at the Southside Elementary School, 1320 W 200 S, Columbus, IN 47201, on Monday, December 10, 2018 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: Mr. Jeff Caldwell, President
 Dr. Jill Shedd, Vice President
 Mr. James Persinger, Secretary
 Mr. Robert Abrams, Member
 Mr. Pat Bryant, Member
 Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer, Member
 Mr. Rich Stenner, 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. George Van Horn, Director of Special Education
 Dr. Gina Pleak, Director of Title Services
 Dr. Brett Boezeman, Director of Operations

School Attorney: Mr. Chris Monroe

REGULAR SESSION

Mr. Abrams shared reflections. This was Mr. Abrams final meeting as a member of the board after serving 11 years in two stints. He noted that his involvement as a school board member was challenging, enlightening, emulating and satisfying.

Members of the board and cabinet donated to the Bartholomew Consolidated School Foundation in honor of Mr. Abrams' service on the school board.

Following the pledge of allegiance, the meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m.

Fernanda Braga and Yoki Murabayashi, Southside Elementary students, read the Mission and Vision statements.

PUBLIC HEARLING

- **2018 Additional Appropriation (Mr. Phillips)**

President Caldwell opened the Public Hearing at 6:40 p.m.

Mr. Phillips noted that a Public Hearing was required when a public taxing unit exceeds their approved budget. This hearing was to approve the additional appropriation of \$690,000 in the General Fund. Revenues from the ADM growth and from interest revenue will support the extra spending.

The public was asked if they had any comments or questions. There were none. The hearing was closed at 6:42 p.m. and Mr. Caldwell gaveled back into the board meeting.

WHO/WHY

Central Middle School-Spell Bowl State Champions (Mr. Payne/Mindy Summers)

Mr. Payne, Central Middle School Principal and Spell Team Coach, Mindy Summers, introduced the Central Middle School Spell Bowl State Championship Team. The team was congratulated by the board and cabinet.

Southside Elementary School Best Practice (Mr. Backmeyer)

Mr. Backmeyer, Southside Elementary Principal and Mr. Butiste, English as a New Language (ENL) Teacher, shared how the Universal Design for Learning (UDL) framework guides their ENL instructional choices. The best practices were shared illustrating how Southside works toward their goal of advancing ENL students to become Fluent English Proficient (FEP).

Signing-up for eAlerts & Update on eLearning Days (Mr. Williams/Mrs. Kummer)

Mr. Williams, Director of Technology and Mrs. Kummer, Coordinator of Instructional Technology, shared step by step directions on how to sign-up for eAlerts. eAlerts are text alerts or email messages sent to stakeholders to communicate school closings, delays, early dismissals, and emergency information. These instructions have been shared on the BCSC website, through social media, local media, newsletters, open houses and additional parent communications.

Mr. Williams and Mrs. Kummer also shared information on eLearning Days (BCSC's virtual, online learning days). After the sixth school cancellation or any cancellation after Spring Break, the corporation will hold an eLearning Day. Staff and students use the learning management system, itslearning, and electronic devices to participate. Teachers will hold office hours and post lessons that will be a continuation of what is happening in the classroom. Attendance is based upon completion of lesson goals. There will be free Wi-Fi available at local business and community centers, and if needed, alternate options for students will be provided.

Central Middle, Parkside and Taylorsville Elementary Schools will be open for lunch.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Amanda Burden, parent, shared her concerns about her son being bullied at school and noted administrators are not recognizing it as bullying. She shared that after speaking at the past board meeting, she felt her job in the corporation was threatened.

Kermet Meryl Key, patron, shared that he and teachers would like to see the results of the teacher survey. He commented that the staff satisfaction survey results had not been shared with teachers at all schools. He noted that teachers were present at the board meeting wearing Red for Ed and asked, "If teachers are satisfied, why are they at the board meeting wearing red."

Michelle Chestnut, parent, shared her concerns around safety policies for students using school technology devices. She notes students are unguided and loosely monitored when searching on their devices. She asked for age appropriate safety internet and technology policies with additional filtering.

David Brady, parent, thanked the board for improving the classroom situation that he and other parents spoke about at the last board meeting. Mr. Brady shared his concerns that the BCSC Mission, Vision and HEOs do not include safety. He suggested BCSC consider Professional Crises Management (PCM); this student behavior method is used in Lebanon schools.

Mr. Caldwell thanked the patrons for sharing their concerns and suggestions.

Dr. Roberts noted the Plan on a Page slide that is the strategic plan for the corporation and shared that Safe and Caring is the first goal listed.

Dr. Roberts noted that in regards to the bullying concerns, there had been several meetings and the situation is continuing to be reviewed; including interviews and observations. Due to this concerning another student and BCSC staff, Dr. Roberts could not share any more information.

Dr. Roberts thanked Mr. Key for sharing his concerns for BCSC teachers; there will be a satisfaction survey conducted second semester and administrators look forward to the results, as they will help everyone better understand the staff and also show opportunities for improvement. Dr. Roberts commented that it is always helpful for teachers to attend board meetings.

Dr. Roberts noted that Mr. Williams, Director of Technology, had shared information from conversations he had had with Ms. Chestnut concerning student one to one devices. He said conversations would continue as the corporation pursues opportunities for improvement.

WHAT

1) Board Commendations:

Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer commended Kristin Cazenave, 2007 Columbus North High School graduate, for being a member of the United States Air Force Ceremonial Brass that performed for the arrival to Washington of President Bush and again at his departure to Houston. She also commended Mark Panning, 1995 Columbus North High School graduate, for being on NASA's Science Team that landed InSight on Mars. Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer also shared her praise for the Columbus North Thespians for a great performance of *Mary Poppins*. She commended Director, John Johnson and Dance Captain, Tabytha Griffin.

2) School Attorney Report:

No report was shared.

3) School Board Member Reports:

Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer shared that the Education Hall of Fame Selection Committee had chosen the 2019 Education Hall of Fame recipient. The recipient will be notified by Dr. Roberts in January and recognized at the February school board meeting.

4) Cabinet Reports

There were no reports.

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 November 11, 2018 (attachment)
- b. Supplemental Contracts (attachment)
- c. Field Trips/Professional Leaves (attachment)
- d. Claims and Payroll (attachment)
- e. 2018 Additional Appropriation (attachment)
- f. 2019 Tax Anticipation Warrants (attachment)
- g. Bartholomew County Youth Services Agreement (attachment)
- h. Change Order for North and East High School Football Turf (attachment)
- i. Change Order for CSA-Lincoln Playground (attachment)
- j. Change Order No. 2 for BCSC Playgrounds (attachment)
- k. Change Order No. 3 for BCSC Playgrounds (attachment)
- l. Change Order for Parkside Elementary School Roof Replacement (attachment)
- m. Award the Bid for the East High School Chiller Project (attachment)
- n. Teacher Appreciation Grant Memorandum of Agreement (attachment)

Dr. Roberts shared additional information on the requests for approval. He requested approval of the reviewed items.

Mr. Bryant made a motion to approve the reviewed items, and Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer seconded the motion.

Upon a call for the vote, Items 5) a-n were unanimously approved.

6) Request for Approval of Human Resources Recommendations:

Ms. Heiny requested approval of the human resources recommendations as presented.

Dr. Shedd made a motion to approve the Human Resources recommendations, and Mr. Persinger seconded the motion.

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

BOARD INPUT/REVIEW

Board Members shared their appreciation of both Mr. Abrams and Mr. Jamerson noting they were thoughtful, passionate leaders.

Mr. Jamerson shared that he and Mr. Abrams began their work with BCSC the same year. Mr. Jamerson thanked the board for their support and for the opportunity to serve BCSC. He thanked the board for embodying deeper learning for all.

President Caldwell shared that both Mr. Abrams and Mr. Jamerson represented a love for students and a love for learning.

President Caldwell noted that the next school board meetings would be January 14 & 28, 6:30 p.m. at Schmitt Elementary School.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

_____ Secretary

Attest: _____ President