

**BARTHOLOMEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2017 MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation was held at Central Middle School, 725 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Columbus, Indiana on Monday, April 24, 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. Rich Stenner, President  
    Mrs. Kathy Dayhoff-Dwyer, Secretary  
    Mr. James Persinger, Member  
    Dr. Jill Shedd, Member

Absent:                                    Mr. Jeff Caldwell, Vice President  
    Mr. Robert Abrams, Member  
    Mr. Pat Bryant, Member

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

School Attorney:                        Mr. Chris Monroe

**BUSINESS MEETING**

No reflections were shared as Mr. Bryant was unable to attend.

President Stenner called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**LEADERSHIP AND STRATEGIC PLANNING (2.0)**

Mr. Stenner noted the mission and vision and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Columbus East High School Top Ten Seniors:**

Ms. Schuetz, Columbus East Guidance Director, noted that it was an honor to introduce this excellent group of scholars. She shared that the students represented Columbus East well as they were also involved in the community and various extra-curricular activities.

The Top Ten Seniors from Columbus East introduced themselves and their parents. They shared their college and career plans, senior projects and a fun fact. The students were congratulated by the board and cabinet.

Columbus East High School Top Ten Seniors: Aaron Villiger, Derrick Klinker, Jonathan Clayton, Paul Bean, Neeraj Pandita, Austin Guse, Brayden Burbrink, Mila Lipinski, Reilly Jones, Casey Weisner

### **Columbus North High School Top Ten Seniors:**

Mr. Pemberton, Columbus North Guidance Director, shared that he was honored to work with the top ten students and that he was amazed at the outstanding things they accomplished outside the classroom.

The Top Ten Seniors from Columbus North introduced themselves and their parents. They shared their college and career plans, senior projects and a fun fact. The students were congratulated by the board and cabinet.

Columbus North High School Top Ten Seniors: Ujwala Pamidimukkala, Jennifer Gutman, Kathleen Haegele, Preetha Pamidighantam, Nathan Swihart, Mackenzie Geckler, Tuyet Anh Le, Ruihan (Ken) Guan, Richard Liu, Alexandra Nusawardhana

### **School Foundation Spring 2017 Innovation Grants:**

Dr. Hack shared her excitement to showcase the innovation grant recipients.

Mrs. Bruin, School Foundation Executive Director, thanked the board and cabinet for their support of the foundation and of teachers. She noted that the innovation grants would support all students at all levels. The School Foundation awarded over \$9,700 for the Spring 2017 Innovation Grants. The grant recipients were introduced, and it was shared how the funds would be spent. The recipients were congratulated by the board and cabinet.

The following grants were awarded:

**“It’s Time for Something Different – BreakoutEDU” - BCSC Administration - Instructional and Technology Coaches Katie Putnam and Delaney George-** Funds will be used to organize an immersive game that provides a series of challenges, or clues, that requires a strategic and collaborative team environment.

**“Let It Grow!” - CSA Fodrea – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade facilitators – Stephany Kiel and RuthAnn Lane –** This garden project will allow the students to experience planting seeds and growing food. In addition to the experience of the 1<sup>st</sup> graders, the kindergartners will be able to observe the garden and look forward to moving into 1<sup>st</sup> grade. The students will also get to experience community giving, as whatever the students successfully grow is donated to Love Chapel.

**“Watch our Mindset Grow”**- CSA Fodrea – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Suzanne Diehn - The materials purchased with this grant will allow hands on opportunities and books to challenge each student to think beyond what they know, and to persevere when solutions do not come easily. Using growth mindset picture books and hands on science activities, it is anticipated that students will see the potential in their mistakes and how to grow from them.

**“A New Tool to Breakout of the Same Old Assessment”** – East High School and Central Middle School English Departments – Chasidy Kannianen - Breakout Boxes will be developed that will align with UDL principles in engagement and expression while working to create an expert learner.

**“Stand to Learn”** – W.D. Richards - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Greg Morris – This grant will be used to purchase four individual desks that will allow students to work (individually or in groups) while standing. They will also allow students to be engaged because they will have options to be able to move around in a safe place without missing classroom content or be a distraction to others. They will also allow an additional grouping option for classroom work.

**“Flexible Seating”** – Mt. Healthy – 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Jeannie Long -Using flexible seating will allow students to “wiggle” while they are working. Being able to “wiggle” will help students stay focused on whatever standard they are working on. Giving students options to help regulate their learning will lead to students that are purposeful, motivated, resourceful, knowledgeable, strategic and goal-oriented.

**“UDL Facilitator District Resource Libraries”**– L.C. Schmitt – UDL Facilitator -Kate Edgren – The funds will be utilized to develop two libraries of resources for all district UDL facilitators and coaches to best support their UDL efforts districtwide.

**“Providing Options for Mindfulness (OM)”** – East high School Counseling - Andy Taube - Providing Options for Mindfulness (OM) is a sixty-minute session that includes yoga, deep breathing, and mindful reflection designed to equip students with the skills needed to self-regulate, self-reflect, and set goals for improvement.

## **PUBLIC DIALOGUE**

No one spoke at this time.

## **STUDENT AND STAKEHOLDER FOCUS (3.0)**

### **1) Comments of Individuals and Delegations:**

No one signed in to speak.

## **2) Board Commendations**

Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer commended the 28 C4 students that received medals and were national qualifiers at the 2017 HOSA (Future Health Professionals) state conference. The students were accompanied by advisors, Kay Gorday, Jennifer Steinwedel and Stacey Horn.

Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer commended Samuel Heichelbech, Columbus North senior, for being a John Phillip Sousa Concerto Winner. He will play a Concerto with the United States Army Field Band.

Dr. Shedd commended Rachel McCarver, Columbus North Publications teacher, for being inducted into Ball State University's Scholastic Journalism Hall of Fame. This award is presented to only one to three alumni across the nation per year.

## **MEASUREMENT, ANALYSIS, AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT (4.0)**

### **3) School Attorney Report:**

No report was shared.

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

Dr. Shedd attended a meeting where they are studying Two-way Immersion. There was an update shared from visits to schools in Indianapolis and a discussion was held on ideas for BCSC. There will be a board presentation on Two-way Immersion in June.

Dr. Shedd met with the Corporation Continuous Improvement Council where they received an update on the Indiana Center for Teacher Quality Grant and they discussed the Counseling Counts Grant from the Lilly Foundation. It was shared that the Cabinet was working through the Stakeholder Engagement Process (SEP) model by addressing the compelling challenge of "How do we ensure that BCSC is THE district of choice?"

### **5) Cabinet Reports:**

Dr. Sylva shared that he had been working with a health consultant to review all aspects of the health plan that is offered through Columbus Regional Hospital and SIHO. It was noted that Dr. Sylva plans to bring an approval request to the board for an audit of the medical and pharmacy claims.

Mr. Jensen jokingly celebrated that he had counted four Top Ten Seniors that were going to attend Purdue University, his alma mater. Mr. Stenner added, that at Rotary earlier in the day, one of the students noted his favorite teacher was Columbus North math chair, Mr. Nowlin. Mr. Nowlin was in attendance and congratulated.

## **EDUCATIONAL PROCESSES FOR BOARD ACTION (6.0)**

### **6) School Board Policy Updates:**

Bylaw 0122 & 0123 Powers of Philosophy, Policies #2271 College University Programs, #2421 Career & Technical Education Program, #5460 Graduation Requirements, #5461 Credit for Courses Completed Before Students Enter Grade 9, #2510 Adoption of Curricular Materials, #6152 Student Fees and Charges, #5200 Attendance, #5540 The Schools and Governmental Agencies, #5840 Criminal Organizations and Criminal Organization Activity, #8120 Volunteers, #8531 Free and Reduced Price Meals, #8540 Vending Machines, #8606 Bus Drivers and Cellular Telephone Use

Dr. Roberts read through the policy titles and noted that they were discussed at the previous board meeting. He invited any additional questions or comments.

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

Administrative Guidelines often enhance policies with additional language.

Math credits earned in middle school are supplemental to the high school math credits that are required. The state requires six math credits to be earned while in high school. There are multiple options for high school math credits, including qualitative reasoning courses. Many students take more math than is required. There would also be opportunities for students to explore liberal arts offerings.

Dr. Shedd made a motion to approve the reviewed items and Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer seconded the motion.

### **7) Request Approval to Award Bids:**

Interior Renovations at Clifty Creek, Smith and Taylorsville Elementary Schools; Gymnasium Improvements at Columbus East High School; Auditorium Improvements at Columbus North High School

Dr. Roberts noted that Mr. Funk, CSO Architect, had presented project information at an earlier board meeting and shared the bidding process and time table.

Mr. Funk shared that individual and combination bids were received for three projects listed above on Tuesday, April 18. The low bidder for General Construction for interior renovations at Clifty Creek, Smith and Taylorsville Elementary Schools, was **Poole Group Inc**, for the base bid amount of \$1,354,500.00 and the selections of alternate bid #2 (add small group room at Taylorsville) in the amount of \$5,028, alternate bid #3 (additional casework at Clifty Creek) in the amount of \$47,241, alternate bid #4 (lobby restroom renovations at Clifty Creek) in the amount of \$79,207) and alternate bid #5 (glass block maintenance at Clifty Creek) in the amount of \$14,000 for a total contract price of \$1,499,976.00.

Mr. Funk shared that the low bidder for general construction with a combination bid for the gymnasium improvements at Columbus East High School and auditorium improvements at Columbus North High School, was *Maxwell Construction Company* with the base bid amount of \$1,128,000.00 and the selections of East High School alternate bid #1 (bleacher upgrade) in the amount of \$150,600 and North High School alternate bid #1 (Hussey Seats) in the amount of \$15,400 for a total contract price of \$1,294,000.00.

Mr. Funk added that both recommended contract amounts are within the construction budget established for the project. The Pool Group, Inc. and Maxwell Construction Company have worked in the past for the corporation.

Dr. Roberts recommended the contracts be awarded to the successful low bidders.

Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer made a motion to approve the awarding of the bids and Mr. Persinger seconded the motion.

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

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

Dr. Roberts reviewed the following items for the Board.

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of April 10, 2017 (attachment)
- b. Supplemental Contracts (attachment)
- c. Field Trips/Professional Leaves (attachment)
- d. Claims (attachment)
- e. Secondary Math Adoption (attachment)
- f. Elementary Math Adoption (attachment)
- g. Literacy Task Force Donation (attachment)

Dr. Roberts noted that the math adoption proposals were presented at the past meeting and that the presenters were available for questions. The Literacy Task Force donation is coming to the board for approval because the corporation manages the funds for this group.

Mr. Persinger made a motion to approve the reviewed items and Dr. Shedd seconded the motion.

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

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

**FACULTY AND STAFF FOCUS FOR ACTION (5.0)**

**9) Request for Approval of Human Resources Recommendations:**

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

Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer made a motion to approve the human resources recommendations, and Dr. Shedd seconded the motion.

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

**BOARD INPUT/REVIEW**

President Stenner shared that the next school board meetings would be May 8 and 22, 7:00 p.m. at Columbus Signature Academy-Lincoln Campus.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ President