

February 20, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order at 6:46 p.m. by Dr. Quin. Dr. Quin led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. All Board members were present. Also present were Mr. Watkins, Mr. Durrwachter, Mrs. Sheets, Mr. Morris, Mr. Snyder, Mrs. Isenburg, Mr. Quin, Mrs. Jones, Brian Bohlender, community members, and PCS legal representation.

On motion by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the Board unanimously approved the public agenda with five changes: change date VI.A.3, addition IV.F.5, addition V.G, IV.G.9, change V.C.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the Board unanimously tabled the approval of the memorandum of January 9, 2023.

- I. PUBLIC COMMENT - Mike Stewart spoke about the advantages of turf field on both the football and baseball fields. He explained the money savings and how it worth the money to do it with the following examples, No baseball games lost due to weather, multiply use field (band use and soccer), no mowing, no weed killer, no grass seed, no field paint or diamond dry. Less field maintenance needed. He explained the other needs he felt were needed at the baseball field. New bathrooms, press box/concession stand needed. He feels they need to add a Bengal Backers concrete pavilion area. Also spoke about player safety with no bad hops in the infield. Also felt safety could be better with moving the dugouts back due to foul balls and better lighting.
- I. BLACK AND GOLD AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS - Mr. Watkins presented Emma Eldrdge with a black and gold award for her St. Jude fundraiser.

Mrs. Astrup had some of her Technology students from Mrs. Wylam's class present a few projects they had learned. Elliot Rabe and Henry Mathews gave instructions to Mr. Beattie on how to clean glasses. Lydia Evert and Morgan Childs gave instructions to Mr. Hoover on how to open a door.

I. AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS

- A. Barton-Coe-Vilamaa - Mr. Watkins recommended the proposal revision of the athletic facilities and Elmwood roof be adopted.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the board voted 6-0-1, Mr. Mullett abstained to table the proposal revision being adopted.

- A. Mr. Watkins asked that we make a motion to table the approval to receive bids due to the proposal being tabled.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the board voted 6-0-1, Mr. Mullett abstained to table the receiving of bids.

1. Mr. Watkins asked to add sub B for the roof bids for Elmwood.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board voted 7-0 to approve the moving forward with the Elmwood roof bids.

- A. Lawncare Contract - Mr. Durrwachter explained this is just for mowing, landscaping, and any lining of the fields. It will not include fertilization. This is a year contract. General liability insurance needed for each bidder. Open bids till March 10,2023.

On motion by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Mr. Mullett, the board voted 7-0, for permission to receive quotes for lawn care contract.

- A. D.Interactive Displays at Blair Pointe - Mr. Durrwachter explained beginning the wrap of Esser II dollars. This was writing in February 2021. He emphasized a lot of these projects that have been done are on a tech or HVAC schedule were not just adding new. These interactive displays are same as smart boards but not called that due to the brand name not being smart board. Blair Pointe's were last updated 2008-2009. Beginning the process of updating. Requesting to receive bids.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Beattie, the board unanimously approved the request to accept bids.

- A. E.Receive Bus Quotes - Mr. Durrwachter was asking for permission to receive quotes for 2 (Tiger) white buses and 2 yellow buses. Will work with Mr. Potts on a timeline. Asking to get the process started as it takes 9 to 12 months minimum to get the buses. We want to get ourselves on a list. Would like to bring back the quotes in March that we are going to use and permission to then officially be on the list. Then hopefully have more discussion on leasing or where that money comes from. Mr. Watkins added in the last few 2 to 3 years we have been trying to flip our situations with buses. We have half our fleet over is over 12 years old. 3 buses we bought on lease plus got a new bus a year before that. Then we were able to get 5. We still have 2 outstanding from that group. We have 9 buses that are in great shape. We run about 16 buses. Getting on the

list will help us as we were still dealing with the effects of covid and manufacturer delays. He continued that it would probably be 6 months to a year before we get the buses and money would be needed. He asked that the board look at another lease down the road. Ms. Justice asked if the 2 extra Tiger buses are replacing any of the Tiger places we currently have. Mr. Watkins stated yes.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board unanimously approved the request to accept quotes for 2 Tiger buses and 2 yellow buses.

Mr. Wolfe asked about the progress of getting a bus as an athletic bus. Mr. Watkins explained it has been looked into and would probably cost about 15,000 to 20,000 to get that done. He explained with the new buses coming in we should be able to take a bus out of the line up but would need to cover the wrapping cost. Mr. Wolfe stated how nice it looks.

Mr. Mullett likes the idea of leasing because you get more bang for your buck at the time.

I. PROGRAM

- A. PJHS Curriculum Guide Changes - Jessica Jones explained the curriculum guide updates at the High School. An update on what direction the high school is going and the classes offered. A few years ago a lot of the career tech ed classes were switched and follow the IDOE's mandate to change everything to Next Level Programs of study. The state has revamped their CTE concentrators. 3 classes equals 1 CTE concentrator which can be used as a graduation pathway. If a student takes all these classes it gives them the ability to graduate there is no longer a test. She showed and explained the classes they offer in house.

On motion by Mr. Mullett, seconded by Mr. Wolfe, the board unanimously to approve the PJHS curriculum guide changes.

A. RECOMMENDATION FOR CERTIFIED/ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

1. Ashlee Linkenhoker - 9-12 Science teacher start was January 25, 2023.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Hoover, the board unanimously approved the recommendation for certified/administrative position.

A. RECOMMENDATION FOR CLASSIFIED POSITIONS

1. Samantha Milliron - Monitor/food service for head start (Kokomo Schools)
2. Permission to hire summer custodial help (7) and summer maintenance help (2) - current classified staff receive preference.
3. Permission to hire a Title I aide at Blair Pointe.

On motion by Mr. Mullett, seconded by Mr. Wolfe, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation for classified positions.

A. RECOMMENDATION FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR POSITIONS

1. Olivia LaBare - JH girls soccer assistant (lay) coach.
2. Jordan Rader - JH track and field assistant (lay) coach.
3. Michael Putt - JH boys soccer volunteer coach.
4. Shannon Butte - HS girls varsity cross country (lay) coach.
5. Shannon Butte - HS boys assistant varsity cross country (lay) coach.
6. Chris Butte - HS boys varsity cross country (lay) coach.
7. Chris Butte - HS girls assistant varsity cross country (lay) coach.

On motion by Mr. Beattie, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation for extra-curricular positions.

A. E. RECOMMENDATION FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR POSITIONS

1. Chris Makowski - HS head varsity football coach

On motion by Mr. Beattie, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the Board Unanimously approved the recommendation for extra-curricular position.

A. F. REQUEST TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

1. Chris Snyder - Annual instructor recertification for Handle/Care. - March 9th 2023 - Anderson Indiana - registration \$525.00.
2. Chris Snyder - Advanced Training for the School Safety Specialist Academy. - May 15th, 2023 - Indianapolis Marriott downtown - Lodging and parking at the Indianapolis Marriott downtown for Sunday May 14th and Monday May 15th. Parking for guests \$50.00 per day. Lodging
3. Colin Quin - IIAAA Conference - 3 nights, 3 meals, mileage, conference.
4. Tara Enyeart, Alicia Cross - IASBO Treasurer's Conference - 2 nights, 2 meals, mileage, conference (Business Official Certification)
5. Business Professionals of America student (Madi Nero) to drive to Heartland Career Center and attend and compete in the BPA State Leadership Competition March 13th and 14th in Indianapolis and stay overnight.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Beattie, the Board unanimously approved the request to attend conference.

A. DONATIONS

1. \$1,000.00 - to HS baseball for general use from anonymous
2. \$1,000.00 - to HS baseball for general use from anonymous
3. \$250.00 - to HS baseball for general use from anonymous
1. \$1,000.00 - to HS boys basketball for general use from anonymous
2. \$1,000.00 - to athletics for general use from anonymous
3. \$1,000.00 - to athletics for general use from anonymous
4. \$ 200.00 - to HS boys soccer for general use from El Rancho, Inc. (D/B/A Los Tres Caminos)
5. \$ 100.00 - to Blair Pointe School basketball photo donation from Harmon Photography
6. \$ 807.10 - to food service for past food account from First Presbyterian Church

On motion by Mr. Mullett, seconded by Ms. Justice, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation for donations.

- A. REQUEST FOR MEMORIALS IN HONOR OF GARY LOE - Mr. Watkins explained to the board he has had a few groups come to him wanting to place a bench and plant a tree in honor of Gary Loe. After discussion it was decided any requests would be decided on by the athletic council. There were also a few requests for renaming of fields. After discussion it was decided any renaming of fields or stadiums should go through the board.

- I. SCHOOL BOARD INFORMATION BINDER - Mr. Watkins explained what he put into the binders.

I. BUDGET

- A. CLAIMS - Mr. Durrwachter presented and reviewed the claims for Board approval. Questions were asked and answered. On motion by Mr. Mullett, seconded by Mr. Wolfe, the Board approved the claims by a vote of 6-0 as follows:

AP SUMMARY	
EDUCATION FUND	457,220.60
OPERATING FUND	371,310.83
SCHOOL LUNCH FUND	95,369.05
PHI DELTA FRATERNITY DONATION	117.99
REIMBURSABLE FUND	13,912.75
DONATION/SPECIAL ED TEACHERS	34.63
PARENT NURTURING PROGRAM	378.00
TITLE IV-A SAFE & DRUG FREE	5,804.31
TITLE II-A	7,253.41
TITLE VIB RLIS FFY 21-23	1,866.55
ESSER III	33,799.47
ESSER II	3,745.17
TOTAL	990,812.78
PR SUMMARY	

EDUCATION FUND	293,286.70
OPERATING FUND	57,118.88
SCHOOL LUNCH FUND	9,364.44
SECURED SCHOOL SAFETY	518.76
GROUP INSURANCE	18,583.93
FRINGE BENEFITS	155,560.23

TOTAL	534,432.94
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- A. FUND MONITORING REPORT - Mr. Durrwachter reviewed the monthly fund monitoring report. Questions were asked and answered.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Beattie, the Board unanimously approved the fund monitoring report.

- A. CLASSIFIED RECOVERY OF WAGES DUE TO E-LEARNING DAYS - Mr. Watkins asked that this be changed from the months of February and March to end of the school year for hours to be made up and no overtime.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Mr. Mullett, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation for missed hours to be made up by end of the school year.

- A. CERTIFICATION OF FEE REIMBURSEMENT - Justin Lambrecht reimbursed for getting A+ Certification, \$499.20. If Justin exits PCS within a year after reimbursement, he will pay PCS back for the total amount.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Mr. Rogers the Board unanimously approved the reimbursement.

- A. BANK CD - Mr. Durrwachter recommended transferring from Beacon to First Farmers for the CD

Mr. Mullett motioned to approve the transfer seconded by Ms. Justice, unanimously approved.

- A. REQUEST TO RECEIVE HVAC/AC BIDS FOR PERU JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Durrwachter explained there would be 7 units to replace depending on price might come back to do less.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Mullett the Board unanimously approved the request to receive bids.

- A. BUILDING SERVER QUOTES - Mr. Durrwachter explained that we are needing to replace some servers. Mr. Morris explained servers are from 2014. Industry standard you usually get 5 years. We push the limits due to proper maintenance. We are there now to update. Once renewed we should be good to go for another 8 years. Mr. Morris recommended the Amazon server.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Dr. Rogers the board unanimously approved the request of new server through Amazon.

I. OPERATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY

- A. FACILITY USE REQUESTS - **All requests will be subject to approvals, changes, and requirements for

Covid-19 from MCHD and/or ISHD. **

1. Bengal Stadium track facility - EastPointe Bible Church - 10th annual Runner's Camp for children pre-school through 6th grade - June 12 - 16, 2023 - 7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Requesting fee rental. waiver, will pay custodial fees. Insurance required. Annual request.
2. Tig-Arena, Tiger Den, Commons - HYWAY wrestling - April 1st 6:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Requesting fee rental waiver, will pay custodial fees. Insurance required.

3. Blair Pointe Gym - Peru Rotary Club Spellathon - April 26th, 2023 - 5:00 pm. - 8:00 pm. Requesting fee rental waiver, custodial fee waiver. Insurance not required.
4. Blair Pointe kitchen & cafeteria - Tri-Kappa Easter egg project- March 17-18, 2023, March 17 - 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., March 18 - 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Requesting for waiver of rental fees, will pay cafeteria and custodial fees. Annual request.
1. Tig-Arena and Tiger Den - PAL volleyball tournaments - March 12, 2023 - 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and March 19, 2023 - 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Requesting fee rental waiver. Will pay custodial fees.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the Board unanimously approved the facility use requests.

I. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

- A. SUPERINTENDENT - Mr. Watkins expressed his gratitude, gave thanks, and congratulations to the following:

Comments:

- Longtime athletics official, Robert Corn, will be retiring next year after 30 seasons. Thank you for being an amazing official for our PCS athletics.
- Boys Basketball
- Varsity Record 16-1 TRC 7-0
- Girls Basketball
 - TRC All-Conference
 - Cate Wolfe
 - Honorable Mention
 - Emma Eldridge
 - Miami Girls All-County Basketball Selections
 - 1st Team
 - Emma Eldridge
 - Cate Wolfe
 - 2nd Team
 - Brianna Bennett
 - Cameryn Raber
- Wrestling
 - Varsity Season Record 11-3
 - Team Placed 3rd in the TRC
 - TRC Champions
 - Jalen May, Cooper Baldwin, Cameron Raber
 - Team Placed 3rd @ Sectionals
 - Sectional Champions
 - Jalen May, Cooper Baldwin, Cameron Baber
 - Team Placed 3rd @ Regionals
 - Jalen May Regional Champion
 - Cooper Baldwin 2nd, Cameron Baber 2nd, Trevi Hillman-Conley 2nd, and Conner Shaffer 4th
 - Semi-State
 - Jalen May/Semi-State Champion & Advancing to State Finals
 - Conner Shaffer
 - Cooper Baldwin (made it to the ticket round)
 - Cameron Baber
 - Trevi Hillman-Conley (First ever Peru Heavy Weight Freshman to make it to the ticket round/2nd all -time for Peru)
 - State Finals
 - Jalen May 4th place 106 Weight Class
- Gymnastics
 - Sectionals on Friday, February 25th @ 6pm @ Lafayette Jeff
- Bowling
 - Great job to the Peru Tigers bowling team finishing their season at 6-2 and 2nd in the MCC.
 - Peru Alumni bowler Bailey Mavrick qualified for the roll-off in his first PBA National tournament.
- Scholastic Art winners: Yelium Alvarado, Kara Baker, Ava Caldwell, Kloe Cassel, Bailey Dawalt, Esme Flores, Marie Kilmova, Olivia Labare, Courtland Marburger, Isabelle Minns, Justine Perang, Jayden Rairigh, Kaycee Tedder, Sydnee Wheeler, Hannah Yoo

Thank you to Mr. Applegate and Mr. Hughes our high school art teachers!
- Senior Kloe Cassel won the distinguished American Vision Award at the Regional Scholastics Art and Writing competition. There were over 1,300 pieces entered in the competition and Kloe was one of the top 5 chosen to represent the region at the National level!
- District Solo/Ensemble Contest in Kokomo:

Addie Miller - Group III Gold, Miguel Sebastian - Group II Gold, Amanda Eaglin - Group I Gold and advancing to state, Brady Ream - Group I Gold and advancing to state.
Congratulations to our students!
Thank you to Dr. Gornto our high school choir teacher!

- Board members

A. BOARD MEMBER - Mr. Wolfe shared an update on HCC.

I. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Ms. Justice motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Secretary,

Brittany Justice

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