

July 8, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order at 6:40 pm by Dr. Quin. Dr. Quin led the board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following board members were present Dr. Quin, Mr. Mullett, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Wolfe, Dr. Rogers, and Ms. Justice,

On motion by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Ms. Justice, the Board unanimously approved the public agenda.7-0

On motion by Mr. Beattie, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board unanimously approved 7-0, the memorandum of June 17, 2024.

- I. PUBLIC COMMENT - David Sailors from the Dukes Health Care Foundation spoke to board members about a grant that is available from the Dukes Health Care foundation. He presented instructions on how to apply for the grant.

## II. PROGRAM

- A. FUND MONITORING REPORT - Dr. Penrod reviewed the fund monitoring report.

On motion by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board unanimously approved the fund monitoring report 7-0.

- B. CLASSIFIED HANDBOOK - Ms. Enyeart reviewed the updates for the PCS classified handbook for the 2024-2025 school year.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Mullett, the board unanimously approved the classified handbook updates for the 2024-2025 school year. 7-0

- C. NEOLA FIRST READING - Dr. Quin reviewed the following NEOLA policies for the first reading.

### **Students**

po5136 - Personal Communication Devices

- D. NEOLA SECOND/ADOPTION READING - Dr. Quin reviewed the following NEOLA policies for the second/adoption reading.

### **Students**

po5200 - Attendance

On motion by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board unanimously approved the policy 7-0.

### III. REQUEST TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

1. Laura Folz - Indiana New Administrator Leadership Institute (INALI-2-year professional development seminars in Indianapolis (July 18-19, September 9, 2024, February 4, April 7, July 16, September 10, 2025, February 4, April 15, 2026) plus additional regional cohort meetings.

Requesting for the district to pay:

- \$1,200.00 fee for the conference.
- Mileage - 6-8 seminars in Indianapolis in the 2 years and 6-8 regional cohort meetings in the 2 years.
- Meals - 4 meals for the July 18-19 seminar. Lunch for 6-8 regional cohort meetings in the 2 years
- Lodging - 1 night for July 18-19, 2024 seminar

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board voted unanimously 7-0, to approve the request for conference fee, meals, and lodging. 7-0.

### IV. BUSINESS

#### A. CURRICULUM

- Discussion and possible action to approve quote from Lab-aids \$17,008.00 for 7-8 Science curriculum.
- Discussion and possible action to approve the software/digital curriculum.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Mr. Hoover, the board voted 6-0-1, Mr. Mullett abstained to approve the 7-8 Science curriculum and the software/digital curriculum.

#### B. MASTERS DEGREE COMPLETION

- Kayla Hughes received her Master of Arts in Special Education on May 4, 2024. \$1,000 stipend for masters degree starting 2024-2025 school year.
- Alicia Maggart received her Master of Arts in Special Education on April 27, 2024. \$1,000 stipend for masters degree starting 2024-25 school year.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Mr. Beattie, the board unanimously approved the \$1,000 masters stipend for Kayla Hughes and Alicia Maggart. 7-0

- C. 3E GRANT STIPEND - Discussion and possible action to approve the payment of the 3E Grant stipends for the following staff members for the 2023/24 and 2024/25 school years.

2023-2024 School Year

- Jessica Jones, Head of Guidance: \$3,000
- Erin Miller, Education Professions Teacher: \$3,000
- Cindy Merrick, Career Development Coordinator: \$3,000

2024-2025 School Year

- JJ Burns, Head of Guidance: \$3,000
- Erin Miller, Education Professions Teacher: \$3,000
- Cindy Merrick, Career Development Coordinator: \$3,000

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board unanimously approved the 3E Grant stipends. 7-0

- D. VENDOR PROCUREMENT APPROVALS - Discussion and possible action to approve the milk and natural gas pricing.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Mr. Beattie, the board unanimously approved the vendor procurement for milk and natural gas pricing per the consortium for the 2024-2025 school year. 7-0.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. LORI HAHN - transfer from math specialist to 4th grade teacher starting 2024-2025 school year.

This item was tabled during the June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Mathews has recommended keeping Lori Hahn as a Blair Pointe math specialist for the 2024-2025 school year with a reevaluation of the position at the end of the school year doing this will reduce the general elementary teachers by 1 for the 2024-2025 school.

- B. CLASSIFIED SALARY SCALE - Discussion and possible action to remove the years of experience salary scale from the classified staff handbook to keep yearly raises with all staff using retroactive pay. This will be handled after teacher negotiations.

See handbook for clarification when raises will take effect.

VI. PERSONNEL

A. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/SUSPENSIONS/TERMINATIONS

1. Aimee Black - resignation as elementary girls volleyball assistant coach
2. Tammy Nystrom - resignation as Miami County adult education director as of 6-30-2024.
3. Susan Josette - resignation from Miami County adult education program as of 6-30-2024
4. Stephanie Bennett - resignation as Junior Senior High special education teacher as of 6-27-2024.  
resignation as girls head track coach as of 6-27-2024.  
resignation as girls JV basketball coach as of 6-27-2024.
5. Erica Butt - resignation as 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade aide at Elmwood as of 7-8-24.
6. Howard MacDonald - resignation from Miami County adult education program as of 6-30-2024.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board approved the resignations/retirements/suspensions/terminations 7-0.

B. RECOMMENDATION FOR CERTIFIED/ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS/TRANSFERS

1. JJ Burns - Junior Senior High head of guidance \$65,000 administrative contract
2. Erin Brindle - Junior Senior High 9-12 guidance counselor \$45,000 plus \$3,645 for 15 additional contract days \$1,000 for masters. \$49,645.
3. Ethan Hyde - Junior Senior High 7-8 math teacher \$45,000
4. Maria Elser - Junior Senior High English teacher starting the 2024-2025 school year. \$46150 + \$1000 for Masters Degree.
5. Amy Lambert - transfer to 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher from 6<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2024-2025 school year.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the board unanimously approved the recommendation for certified/administrative positions/transfers. 7-0

C. RECOMMENDATION FOR CLASSIFIED POSITIONS

1. Russell Tussey - Junior Senior High SRO
2. Rodney Richard - Chief of Police of the Peru Community Schools Police Department
3. Kendra Morecraft - KEYS aide starting the 2024-2025 school year
4. Michelle King - transfer from KEYS aide to Junior Senior High special education aide.
5. Permission to hire an additional cafeteria staff member for Junior Senior High due to lunch schedule changes.
6. Dorann Nation - Junior Senior High kitchen assistant starting the 2024-2025 school year.

On motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board voted 7-0, to approve the recommendation for classified staff.

D. RECOMMENDATION FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR POSITIONS

1. Angie Legg - 7th grade team leader
2. Rachel Clark - 8th grade team leader

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Mr. Beattie, the board unanimously approved the recommendation for extra-curricular positions 7-0.

E. ECA POSITIONS UNFILLED FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR - The following ECA positions will be unfilled starting the 2024-2025 school year.

1. HS Communication Lab - (\$1,171.20) no longer offer this program
2. HS Transportation Lab - (1,1171.20) no longer offer this program
3. JH Science Olympiad - (1,125.00) no longer offer this program.

On motion by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the board unanimously approved for the ECA positions to be unfilled beginning with the 2024-2025 school year. 7-0.

F. JUNIOR HIGH ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT - It was recommended to adjust Laura Folz contract from 215 days to 210 days as it has been in past years.

On motion by Mr. Beattie, seconded by Ms. Justice, the board unanimously approved Laura Folz the Junior High assistant principal contract to go from 215 days to 210 days. 7-0

VII. FINANCIAL/BUDGET

A. CLAIMS - The claims were presented and reviewed for Board approval.

On motion by Ms. Justice, seconded by Dr. Rogers, the Board approved the claims by a vote of 7-0 as follows:

**AP SUMMARY**

EDUCATION FUND	49,397.91
DEBT SERVICE	1,099,625.00
OPERATING FUND	107,259.16
CONSTRUCTION SINKING FUND	229.95
SCHOOL LUNCH FUND	11,783.09
REIMBURSEABLE FUND	61,143.30
HIGH ABILITY GRANT	385.95
TITLE I 23/24	81.06
ADULT ED 23/24	796.92
TITLE IV-A SAFE/DRUG FREE	237.28
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ESSER III	6,642.83
HOT LUNCH CLEARING ACCOUNT	198.65
TOTAL	1,337,862.48

**PR SUMMARY**

EDUCATION FUND	111,112.48
OPERATING FUND	12,549.53
SCHOOL LUNCH FUND	2,596.61
SECURED SCHOOL CURRENT 2022	671.41
TITLE I 23/24	108.46
GROUP INSURANCE	4,449.28
RETIREEES-TERM LIFE INSURANCE	273.00
FRINGE BENEFITS	37,053.90
TOTAL	381,908.61

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS

Dr. Rogers thanked all the school staff and board members for working together for the positive future of our district.

Dr. Quin thanked the staff for coming to the meeting while being off on summer break. He thanked David Sailors for coming to present to the board the Dukes Health Care Foundation grant. He also thanked the central office staff for all their work over the past few weeks.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Dr. Rogers motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm.

Secretary,  
Brittany Justice