

REGULAR MEETING

August 18, 2014

The Board of Education of the Independent School District of West Burlington met at 6:30 PM on Monday, August 18, 2014 in the board room located at 607 Ramsey St in West Burlington, IA. The board toured the facilities with Tim Kesterke to see some of the things that had been done over the summer. They returned to the board room at 7:30 to have the regular business meeting.

Presiding over the meeting was President Randall with Members Sanders, Day, and Prickett answering roll call. Larisa Conner was absent.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Day and seconded by Sanders to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0

Receive Visitors/Open Forum: 3 visitors were present. Tim Kesterke, who had resigned as Head of Maintenance, to take another job, thanked the board and the superintendent for their support over the years. And he would be available to help his replacement and answer any questions the new person might have. Mr. Schmitt thanked Tim for his 20 years of service and everything he had done over the years.

Carla Sherwood – She stated that she was at the meeting to stop year-round school.

Miscellaneous Communications: None

Approval of Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
- B. Approval of Financial Statements
- C. Approval of Payment of Bills – the bills were audited by Lenny Sanders and Michelle Randall:
activity - \$17,203.83; nutrition - \$521.36; gen/other - \$217,197.16
- D. Open Enrollment – The following students should be approved for open enrollment to West Burlington for 2014-2015 for kindergarten:

Lyric Durham
Carter Melssen
Howard Weatherspoon, Jr
Damarius Weddington

The following students should be approved for open enrollment under just cause:

Kenasia Bowman	grade 1
Sawyer Garlington	grade 1
Emelya Glandon	grade 2
Chloe Behnke	grade 4
Wesley Behnke	grade 4
Caleb Hall	grade 4
Naomi Hall	grade 6
Aydon Hall	grade 9
Jayden Zurita	grade 10
Caleb Heisler	grade 12
Marqwanye Jones	grade 12
Allison Miller	grade 12

The following students should be approved for continuation of program as West Burlington:

Raylee Ayer	grade 2
Hunter Bielser	grade 2
Ava Beckman	grade 2
Kahmya Jones	grade 2

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Anteaus Weddington	grade 6
Kiia Nupp	grade 10
Sarah Francis	grade 12

The following should be approved for open enrollment to Burlington for 2014-2015:

Austin Burrell	Kindergarten
Carter McCampbell	Kindergarten

The following should be approved for continuation of program to Burlington for 2014-2015:

Keira Rasberry	grade 1
Makayla Green	Kindergarten
Aaron Green	grade 3
Nicholas Green	grade 4

The following should be approved for continuation of program to Mediapolis:

Stephon Shafer	grade 5
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The following should be denied open enrollment to West Burlington for 2014-2015:

Kendell Baker	grade 6
Darian Jefferson	grade 7
Trayveon Jefferson	grade 9
Nautica Cravens	grade 10
DeJa Williams	grade 10
Reshaene Roberts	grade 12

E. Selected Personnel Issues

Recommendations:

JH VBall Asst. – It's recommended that Teresa Engler be hired for this position at a salary of \$1501.25 (E,0).

HS Basketball Cheerleading – It's recommended that Courtney Dochterman be hired for this position at a salary of \$976 (D,1).

HS Wrestling Cheerleading – It's recommended that Vanessa Pace be hired for this position at a salary of \$976 (D,0).

JH Cheerleading – It's recommended that Ali Riley be hired for this position at a salary of \$976 (D,0).

HS Football Asst. – It's recommended that D.J. LaVeine be hired for a .5 time position at a salary of \$1576.32 (B,0).

HS Football Asst – It's recommended that Eric Walechka be hired for a .5 time position at a salary of \$1576.32 (B,0).

HS Football Volunteer – Dennis Abel is recommended for this volunteer position.

Resignations:

Buildings and Grounds Supervisor – Tim Kesterke has submitted his resignation from this position. Tim worked for the West Burlington School District for 20 years and has been instrumental in the continued success of our district by coordinating and overseeing all of our district's day-today operations as well as the construction projects.

Motion by Sanders and seconded by Day to approve all items under the consent agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

BUSINESS

Sex Offender Policy: Mr. Schmitt emailed a number of neighboring districts to see if anyone had such a policy and the ones that responded said they did not. After some discussion, the board decided they wanted more information/guidelines, possibly from IASB, before beginning anything. Mr. Schmitt also pointed out that state law would supersede a board policy.

Legislative Priorities: The board went through the legislative priorities and decided on the 5 they felt would be most important to them. Motion by Sanders and seconded by Day to approve the following priorities: #3, 6, 11, 14, 23. Motion carried 4-0.

2nd Reading Board Policies – 800 Series: Motion by Day and seconded by Sanders to approve the 2nd reading of the 800 series of Board Policies. Motion carried 4-0.

2nd Reading Board Policies – 900 Series: Motion by Day and seconded by Sanders to approve the 2nd reading of the 900 series of Board Policies. Motion carried 4-0.

Buildings and Grounds Position: It's recommended that Nate Prickett be hired for the Buildings and Grounds Supervisor position at an annual salary of \$53,000 with either \$6900 paid for medical insurance or \$3450 paid as a salary supplement instead of taking medical insurance. He will have 2 personal days, 3 family sick days and 10 sick days.

Motion by Sanders and Day to approve Nate Prickett for the Buildings and Grounds Supervisor position. Motion carried 3-0 with Nate Prickett abstaining from the vote.

Board Vacancy: Nate Prickett submitted his letter of resignation from his position on the school board. Motion by Sanders and seconded by Day to accept Nate Prickett's resignation from the school board. Motion carried 3-0 with Nate abstaining from the vote.

There is a 30-day window for the board to appoint someone to take Nate's place – if it's more than 30 days, a special election would be needed. If the district has a special election in December for the bond issue, the board position could also be included.

The board will bring back names of those willing to take the open position to the next meeting in September and they will then vote.

2nd Draft of Proposed Building Plans: The board looked at the 2 options for the elementary and would still like to see if a couple of changes could be made (they would like the playground to remain together instead of split).

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Principals' Reports: Mr. Snodgrass reported that they had approximately 27 new faces in his building and that so far, the first few days of school had gone smoothly. Out of the 15 students that had been invited to the summer school session, 11 had earned a total of 18 credits; had a refresher of the ALICE training at the in-service for staff but will reach out to the West Burlington police department to see if they are available for the rest of the training. The Jump Start program has 4 students in Animation, 3 in the Automotive and 11 students going to Burlington for the Project Lead the Way program.

Mr. Jones said the PBIS committee had come up with some good icebreaker activities for the students and also outlined the expectations for the year.

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Mr. Hinrichs reported that he will have more data at the next meeting regarding the 8-week summer school held at the elementary. Michelle asked he had asked the parents to do any kind of evaluation on what they thought of the program. He had not but thought that would be a good idea.

There is a 4th section of 3rd grade; they have instituted a Transitional Kindergarten program with 5 students; the 3rd and 4th grade teachers have decided more kids need to be more proficient in Math and they will pre-test the 3rd/4th grade students and then, depending on where they score, will be split between those teachers with each teacher doing a different skill/level.

Superintendent Report: Mr. Schmitt distributed a handout regarding the Balanced Calendar timeline starting with having a joint meeting between the school board and the city council. It goes on to show what they plan to do each month until December when the board will then look at the information collected and decide which direction it wants to go in. The handout is a part of the board materials.

He also gave a handout regarding long-range planning for FY15 with topics and the person responsible for providing an overview of current status, project the current direction where the district is headed and identify strategies to move WBISD in that direction or change course.

On Sunday there will be a volleyball activity in the gym sponsored by the Athletic Association. There 42 students who qualified in the summer reading program to go to the Wisconsin Dells on August 21 at a cost of approx. \$16 per child.

Motion by Day and seconded by Day to approve the Summer Reading trip to Wisconsin Dells on August 21st. Motion carried 3-0

Items for Future Agendas: look at getting as assistant for Amy Ryan; board self-assessment; September 3 ABLÉ meeting

Adjournment: Motion by Day and seconded by Sanders to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 PM. Motion carried 3-0.

Date Approved

Secretary

President