

REGULAR MEETING
December 21, 2015

The Board of Education of the West Burlington Independent School District of West Burlington met for a regular meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, December 21, 2015 in the board room at 607 Ramsey in West Burlington. Presiding over the meeting was President Hockett with all members answering roll call.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Day and seconded by Boughton to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Visitors/Open Forum: None

Miscellaneous Communications: None

Approval of Consent Agenda – the following items were under the consent agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
- B. Approval of Financial Statements
- C. Approval of Payment of Bills – Randy audited the following: nutrition - \$20,109.12; gen/other - \$93,946.60; activity - \$86,551.24
- D. Open Enrollment – the following students should be approved for continuation of program to West Burlington:

Matthew Grimes	grade 6
Lea Grimes	grade 8
Coral Gilpin	grade 9

The following student should be denied for open enrollment to West Burlington at this time:

Rainbow Andrade-Callen	grade 12
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The following students should be approved for open enrollment to Burlington School District under just cause:

Brooklynne Johnson	grade 1
Tyrell Minor	grade 4
Cheyenne Minor	grade 3
Sierra Russell	grade 11
Shian Morrison	grade 12

- E. Selected Personnel Issues

HS Associate – It's recommended that Teresa Engler be hire for this position for 7.5 hours per day at \$11.20 per hour.

Resignations – Rosanna Medley has submitted her resignation from her position as HS associate effective December 15, 2015.

BUSINESS

1:1 Update: Dave Roed presented information regarding some of the discussions the committee has been having about the 1:1 initiative. The committee has been focusing on what the district wants the students to be able to do on the device. Mr. Roed has been using a chrome book to see how it operates and the committee had a visit from some staff from Burlington Schools regarding the chrome books and what they are doing with them this school year.

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They have had representatives from Apple, HP and Dell regarding laptops and their versions of the chrome book. The committee is leaning towards a chrome book for grades 3-12 – grades 3-5 would have classroom only devices while 6-12 students would each have their own. Kindergarten – 2 would have carts with 72 devices that could be moved from class to class. Some laptops would also be available at the high school level for those students needing more than the chrome book would offer. The committee will have a recommendation at the January business meeting.

Jazz Band Trip: Mr. Eveleth would like permission to take the jazz band to the Culver-Stockton College JazzFest located in Canton, Missouri, on February 8th. This would give the band an opportunity to work with and learn from professional jazz musicians and work on music they are preparing for other contests and festivals. They will also perform one of their pieces at a concert later on that evening.

Motion by Day and seconded by Fry to approve the jazz band trip to Culver-Stockton College on February 8, 2016. Motion carried 5-0.

Des Moines County Hazard Mitigation Plan: City, school, and county officials met a number times over the past year and put together the Des Moines County Hazard Mitigation Plan, which is a part of the board materials.

Motion by Fry and seconded by Day to approve the Des Moines County Hazard Mitigation Plan as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Board Negotiation Team: The first negotiation session with the WBEA will be in early February. The first session is usually held in a public meeting with everything after that in closed meetings. Mr. Schmitt is the chief negotiator and needs two board members to form the committee. Dan Hockett and Andy Crowner said they would be on part of the negotiations team. An exempt session will be held in January, 2016.

PPEL Discussion: Nate Prickett, head of maintenance, went over some of the smaller things that need to be done such as handrails on the bleachers, replace various lock sets, replace current lighting with LED lighting – some of which has been done. Some of the larger things to look at would be re-surface the track, look into generators for the building, especially the high school.

The playground equipment was installed in 1998 and is starting to show its age, along with replacing the gravel with a new surface. He is looking at reducing the equipment area to a smaller size due to cost and would help the elementary staff to better supervise during recesses. If the current basketball area were to be moved, that area could then become additional parking spots. Handouts are part of the board materials showing the playground area and reconfiguring the parking lot area to add the new spaces and drop off lanes.

He would like to form a committee to help raise money to help offset some of the costs – concrete/surface/equipment – approx. \$154,000 with labor/install equipment approx. \$50,000.

In the parking lot, 10,000 square feet of the existing concrete is in poor shape – to remove the old concrete, install 2 lanes, additional concrete, lighting, striping, etc. the cost would be approx. \$61,500.

Another major project would be the elementary kitchen – remove a wall, move entrance, install exterior walk-in cooler/freezer, etc.

The board gave their permission to form a committee for the new playground and hire a kitchen consultant to start getting

(Jay left at 7:30 PM)

Equipment Breakdown Proposal: The cost for this insurance is \$44,000 for 6 months. The coverage would begin on January 1st, 2016 and end June 30, 2016. This coverage is paid from the management fund. Information regarding what is covered and what is not is part of the board materials. Typically replacement cost insurance is great for a few years.

Motion by Boughton and seconded by Fry to approve the equipment breakdown insurance. Motion carried 4-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Principal's Report: Ms. Ritters reported that a Math Night was held in December – they didn't have as large a turnout as they anticipated. Received a lot of insights from the Bridges out of Poverty workshop and the staff are working on plans.

At the junior high/high school, Mr. Jones reported that there had been vocal and band concerts held recently and the jazz band had performed at the Rotary Club. On December 1st a survey had been sent out regarding conferences. The end of the semester is January 14th and this will be the last year for the Jump Start Academy at SCC. Our district will begin offering Project Lead the Way next year and Case New Holland donated \$5000 for the program.

Superintendent Report: Mr. Schmitt had a thank you from the elementary for the breakfast items sent to the buildings for Education Appreciation Week.

Items for Future Agendas:

Adjournment: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Crowner to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. Motion carried 4-0.

Date Approved

Secretary

President