

ANNUAL MEETING
September 18, 2017

The Board of Education of the Independent School District of West Burlington met for the annual meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, September 18, 2017 in the board room at 607 Ramsey in West Burlington. Presiding over the meeting was President Hockett with Members Boughton, Fry and Crowner answering roll call. Member Day was absent.

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

Resolution Naming Depository Bank for School Funds: Motion by Fry and seconded by Boughton to name F&M and Bank as the depository bank for school funds up to \$2,500,000. Motion carried 4-0.

Resolution Naming School Legal Counsel: Motion by Boughton and Crowner to name Gruhn Law Firm as the counsel in matters of negotiations and personnel. Local matters will be handled on a per need basis. Motion carried 4-0.

Official Newspaper for the District: Motion by Fry and seconded by Boughton to name the Des Moines County News as the official newspaper for the district. Motion carried 4-0.

Approve Tina Diewold as District Secretary/Treasurer: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Crowner to approve Tina Diewold as district secretary/treasurer. Motion carried 4-0.

Authorize Shawna Brown to Act as District Secretary when District Secretary is Absent: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Crowner to authorize Shawna Brown as district secretary when district secretary is absent. Motion carried 4-0.

Authorize Superintendent to Approve Federal Program Applications: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Fry to authorize the superintendent to approve federal program applications. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Crowner to adjourn the annual meeting at 6:05 PM. Motion carried 4-0.

REGULAR MEETING
September 18, 2017

The regular meeting was called to order by President Hockett at 6:05 PM with Members Fry, Boughton and Crowner answering roll call. Member Day was absent.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Crowner to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Receive Visitors/Hold Open Forum: 9 visitors were present.

Miscellaneous Communications: None

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

- A. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
- B. Approval of Financial Statements
- C. Approval of Payment of Bills – the bills were audited by Andy and Lee: nutrition - \$13,674.49 activity - \$14,964.47 and general/other - \$123,176.75

- D. Open Enrollment – the following students should be approved for continuation of program into West Burlington for 2017-2018:

Shaden Messamaker	grade 5
Raine Messamaker	grade 8
Raven Messamaker	grade 9
Micah Lewis	grade 11
Dorian Bullie	grade 12

The following students should be approved for open enrollment to W Burlington for 2017-2018 under “just cause”.

Angel Kuntz	kdg
Quincy Watkins	kdg
Chloe Terpenning	grade 9

The following students should be approved for open enrollment to Burlington School District for 2017-2018:

Brendon Breuer	kdg
Kayden Breuer	grade 2
Blaine Breuer	grade 3
Kevon Luckett	grade 11
Shawntel Williams	grade 12

- E. Selected Personnel Issues

Recommendations

HS Associate: It’s recommended that Celia Sanchez be hired for this position at \$11.75 per hour.

HS Associate: It’s recommended that Christy Jameson be hired for this position at \$12.08 per hour.

HS Corners Associate: It’s recommended that Myron Crockett be hired for this position at \$12.08 per hour.

Resignations

Board Secretary/Treasurer: Tina Diewold has submitted her intention to retire from this position effective February 28, 2018.

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

BUSINESS

Summer Reading Field Trip: The summer reading trip was originally scheduled for St. Louis but due to the turmoil happening in that area, the destination will be changed. After meeting with the students, the following were suggestions: Cedar Rapids/Iowa City area, Chicago – aquarium/architectural tour, and Wisconsin Dells.

The date has been changed to October 4 and the students will vote on their choice of destinations. Because two of the choices are out of state, board approval is needed.

Motion by Fry and seconded by Boughton give approval for the summer reading trip and to pre-approve the destination once it’s decided upon. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment: Motion by Boughton and seconded by Crouner to adjourn at 6:10PM. Motion carried 4-0.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
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The Organization Meeting was called to order by Tina Diewold, Board Secretary at 6:10 PM.

Administer Oath to New Board Member: The Oath of Office was administered to the newest board member, Bruce Thuleen.

Elect New Board President: Randy Fry nominated Andy Crowner as board president and seconded by Bruce Thuleen. Roll call vote: Boughton – nay Crowner – aye Fry – aye Thuleen – aye Hockett – aye

Motion carried 4-1 for Crowner as new board president.

Administer Oath to New Board President: The Oath of Office was administered to the new board president, Andy Crowner.

Elect New Board Vice-President: Lee Boughton nominated Dan Hockett as vice-president and seconded by Randy Fry. Roll call vote: Crowner – aye Hockett – aye Boughton – aye Fry – aye Thuleen – aye

Motion carried 5-0 for Hockett as vice-president.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was amended with the removal of item 8B. Corner's St. Louis trip. Motion by Boughton and seconded by Hockett to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

BUSINESS

Healthier US School Challenge/Smarter Lunchrooms Grant Award: This was an award that recognizes schools that have created healthier school environments through promotion of nutrition and physical activity. The district was awarded \$500/plaque and banner after meeting 30 items on a list qualifying criteria.

Fundraiser Requests: Shawna attended a conference focusing on the activity fund. The presenters talked about the need for all fundraising efforts for a school district be approved by the board. Currently board policy 504.5 provides the superintendent the authority to approve fundraisers. Mr. Schmitt would like to come up with some regulations to support this policy, creating a process for pre-approval of ALL fundraising activities within the jurisdiction of the school. November 20 would be the first reading with the second one on December 19.

Contract Modifications: The following teachers have requested lane advancements:

Amber Springsteen	MA,9	52,747	to	MA10,9	54,010
Mike Gurius	BA10,7	46,430	to	BA30,7	48,957
Christa Ruther	MA,15	60,327	to	MA10,15	61,591
Miranda Hillyard	MA,9	52,747	to	MA10,9	54,010

Motion by Fry and seconded by Hockett to approve the contract modifications as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Work Session Topics: Some of the potential topics for work sessions: Transitional Kindergarten, Technology, Teacher Leadership, Engineering Class, Vocational Education, Social Students Standards, Science Standards, Buildings & Grounds. Industrial Tech would like to show the board some of the new machinery and more about the civil engineering class. This work session would need to be held at the high school. Andy would like to do an overall review of board policies.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Principal’s Report: Bruce Snodgrass – Leaders of the Corners Program met with Casebine Credit Union and they would like to donate some of their time and resources to the program such as tutoring, either money or items go towards the Falcon Locker program. They will be holding the Wednesday night class again with 17 students. The ACT scores are at 22.7 and the state average is 21.9. This handout is part of the board materials.

Theresa Ritters let the board know that the new literacy series is in place and they have ordered their 3rd FOSS kit for earth science. They have implemented the PBIS system at the elementary and October 9 is Grandparents’ Day.

Superintendent Report: On September 19, Channel 8 will be running an interview with Mr. Schmitt and Vern Reed regarding the graduation rate and the Corners program. Vern will also be presenting at a conference in St. Louis this weekend. Mr. Schmitt was the presenter at Kiwanis last week where he spoke about the graduation rate, test scores, etc. A student who didn’t quite make it to graduation last year, completed everything necessary and received a diploma last week. On Sept. 26 the Fireball Run will begin in downtown Burlington at 3:00. The junior high cheerleaders and volleyball players will be on hand, along with some of the TAG students to help with the kick-off.

Items for Future Agendas: Andy would like to review the facility rental policies.

Adjournment: Motion by Thuleen and seconded by Fry to adjourn at 6:45 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Date

Secretary

President