

Should anyone from the Public desire additional information, the recordings of the regular and special school board meetings are kept for ten (10) years and are available in the Superintendent's Office at the Hiatt Administration Center, 2300 Cason Street, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

April 9, 2007

A. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lafayette School Corporation was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Board President Robert Stwalley.

B. Roll Call

On call of the roll, Board members present were Robert Stwalley, Brian Wagner, Steve Bultinck, Greg Eller, Frank Lane, and Rebecca Sprague. Absent was Board Member Kay Walton. Also present was Board Counsel Kent Moore.

C. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 12th Regular Meeting and the memorandum of the March 19th Work Session were presented for approval.

Mr. Bultinck made the motion, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to accept the minutes as presented. There were no additions or corrections.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

D. Recognition

1. Superintendent Eiler congratulated and introduced Murdock Elementary School staff members Janell Uerkwitz, Principal, Pam Stall, teacher and Title I coordinator for Murdock, and Tracy McPherson, coordinator of the after school FOCUS (Families Organized within the Community United with School) program at the school. A 21st Century Community Learning Centers competitive grant application had been submitted to continue funding for the after school FOCUS program for three years. The grant was awarded full funding totaling \$413,006. Mrs. Uerkwitz, Mrs. Stall and Mrs. McPherson provided the Board with a copy of the grant and gave an overview of the FOCUS program.

E. Public Participation

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

F. Recommendations

1. Adopt Board Goals

For approximately eighteen months to two years, members of the administration and school board had been working on a process to build goals for the school corporation. The Administration recommended approval of the Mission, Vision, and Goals for the Lafayette School Corporation.

Mrs. Sprague made the motion to adopt the Board goals, seconded by Mr. Lane.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

Dr. Stwalley requested that a copy of the final copy of the Board goals be sent to former school board members CarolJo Brown and Dr. David Jarmon who had also contributed to this document. A copy of the Board goals will also be made a part of the permanent minutes of this meeting.

2. Consider Adopting Resolution regarding Cooperation and Collaboration

Superintendent Eiler stated that as an outgrowth of the consolidation study completed and the conversations between the boards of the three public school districts in Tippecanoe County, a desire had been expressed that a relationship be formalized where a committee representative of each of the school boards would meet at least once on an annual basis to continue dialogue about ways the three school corporations could cooperate and collaborate. Toward that end, each of the three school districts would be adopting the following joint resolution:

Joint Resolution

Whereas the Boards of School Trustees of Lafayette School Corporation, Tippecanoe School Corporation, and West Lafayette School Corporation desire to continue exploring ways the three school districts can cooperate and collaborate to enhance the educational opportunities provided to the children in Tippecanoe County, and

Whereas the Boards of School Trustees of Lafayette School Corporation, Tippecanoe School Corporation, and West Lafayette School Corporation desire to formalize a relationship,

Be it hereby resolved that the Boards of School Trustees of Lafayette School Corporation, Tippecanoe School Corporation, and West Lafayette School Corporation do hereby create a standing committee, entitled The Tippecanoe County School District Cooperation and Collaboration Committee.

Be it further hereby resolved the committee shall be comprised of the President of the School Board, one other Board member, and the Superintendent of Schools of each public school district, and

Be it resolved the committee shall meet at least one time per year to discuss how the school districts might help each other and cooperate and collaborate

to enhance the educational opportunities provided to the children served by the public school districts in Tippecanoe County.

Be it further resolved each respective school board shall review the effectiveness of the committee every five years after the creation of said committee and shall determine whether to affirm their continued participation in the committee.

This resolution is hereby adopted this 9th day of April, 2007.

s/Robert M. Stwalley, III, President

s/Rebecca Sprague, Secretary

s/Greg Eller, Vice President

s/Frank Lane, Member

s/Steve Bultinck, Member

s/Brian Wagner, Member

Mr. Wagner made the motion, seconded by Mr. Bultinck, to adopt the joint resolution as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

3. Approve Construction Documents for the Jefferson High School Performing Arts Center

Before bids can be secured on a building project formal board approval of the construction documents must be obtained. Construction documents for the Jefferson High School Performing Arts Center had been made available for inspection. Completion of this legal requirement could allow the Board to act on bids toward the end of May, which would be beneficial in terms of the construction schedule for this project. The Administration recommended approval of the construction documents.

Mr. Eller made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lane, to approve the construction documents as recommended.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

4. Approval of Field Trip

The students participating in the Toy Challenge Club at Sunnyside Middle School excelled well enough at the state competition to be awarded a \$5,000 grant to help them

participate in the national toy challenge in San Diego, California. The Administration recommended approval of the following field trip:

- a. Toy Challenge Club, Sunnyside Middle School, to National Toy Challenge Competition, San Diego, CA, April 20-23, 2007

Mr. Wagner made the motion, seconded by Mr. Bultinck, to approve the field trip as requested.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

5. Employee Recommendations

The Administration recommended approval of the following employee requests:

- a. Leave
 1. Emily Marie Boerger, pregnancy/childbirth, April 16, - August, 2007
- b. Resignations
 1. Ebonye J. Betts, paraprofessional, Learning Center, effective March 23, 2007
 2. Carolyn Cadwallader, G.L.A.S.S. paraprofessional, effective March 23, 2007
 3. Tabitha DePaolo, intervention assistant, Sunnyside Middle School, effective March 23, 2007
 4. Tina Gray, paraprofessional, Vinton Elementary School, effective March 19, 2007
 5. Amanda Miller, G.L.A.S.S. paraprofessional, effective March 8, 2007
 6. Jo Jones, G.L.A.S.S. interventionist, effective February 16, 2007
 7. Teresa L. Parke, nurse/paraprofessional, effective March 2, 2007
 8. Ken Patterson, custodian, Vinton Elementary School, effective March 13, 2007
 9. Nancy Phillips, G.L.A.S.S. paraprofessional, effective February 23, 2007
 10. Reba Sosa-Rausch, custodian, Jefferson High School, effective March 10, 2007
- c. Employment
 1. Stacy Cummings, paraprofessional (replacement)
 2. Glenda Lane, paraprofessional/nurse (replacement)
 3. David Reece, G.L.A.S.S. program aide (replacement)
 4. Gerald T. Schofield, staff custodian (replacement)
- d. Reduction in Full Time Equivalency (F.T.E)
 1. Linda Foland, kindergarten teacher, Miami Elementary School, from 1.0 F.T.E. to .5 F.T.E for the 2007-2008 school year
- e. Conflict of Interest
 1. Rick J. Barnhart, principal, Miller Elementary School, parent of Amanda R. Barnhart, substitute teacher.

Mr. Lane made the motion, seconded by Mr. Eller, to approve the employee recommendations as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

6. Recommend Acceptance of Gifts

The Administration recommended the Board accept the following gifts:

- a. F. 220-LARA monetary donations in the amount of \$1,630.00
- b. Regions Bank of Lafayette donated books to LSC, in honor of Black History month, in the amount of \$205.50.
- c. Caterpillar, Inc. donated \$25 to the GLASS Donation Fund (F.292) from an employee United Way Contribution match.
- d. Kroger Payless Stores donated \$1,000.00 to Vinton Elementary School in celebration of the Grand Opening of their new store.
- e. Kroger Payless Stores donated \$500.00 cash designated for recycling as well as \$500 in gift cards to be used "as needed" to Sunnyside Middle School in celebration of their Grand Opening of the new store.

Mrs. Sprague made the motion, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to accept the gifts as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

7. Treasurer:

- a. The financial report will be filed for audit.
- b. The Administration recommended approval of the vendor claims and ratification of payrolls.

Mr. Lane made the motion, seconded by Mr. Eller to approve the vendor claims and ratify payrolls.

Roll Call: Ayes: Stwalley, Wagner, Bultinck, Eller, Lane, Sprague.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

G. Information Only

As required by law, the Board was given notice about the use of emergency allocation funds for 1) annual AHERA inspections, 2) indoor air quality testing at Jefferson High School, and 3) elevator repair at Sunnyside.

H. Board Reports

1. As the newly appointed Board representative to the Lafayette Adult Resource Academy (LARA) Board, Mr. Bultinck commented on the large number of adults attending LARA and being placed into the workplace. Mr. Bultinck stated he would be assisting LARA rewrite their by-laws.

2. As the legislative liaison for the school board with the Indiana School Boards Association, Mr. Lane stated his concern about the information he had been receiving regarding substituting revenue for schools from property taxes to revenue from gambling, a very unstable alternative. Mr. Lane indicated he had communicated with Senator Alting and Representative Klinker about this concern.

I. Adjournment

There being no further business to be presented, Board President Stwalley called for a motion to adjourn. On motion duly made by Mr. Bultinck, seconded by Mr. Wagner and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Robert M. Stwalley, III, President

Rebecca Sprague, Secretary