

BOARD MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
May 10, 2021
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order: Phil Foster, Brian Gott, Greg Hole, Dennis Reagan, and Shane Steimel. Absent: Adam Shepherd and Melissa Smith
Pledge of Allegiance
Prayer

▪ **MINUTES**

- The Chair entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2021, School Board Meeting.

Motion: Dennis Reagan, Second: Brian Gott, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- The Chair entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Work Session on April 26, 2021.

Motion: Phil Foster, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

• **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS**

- Alyssa Linville, a senior at Western Boone Jr-Sr High School, was recognized by the school board for her art titled "Deeper Inside" that was a Scholastic Art National Gold Medal Winner.

• **REPORTS**

- Jane Taylor, Director of Food Services, informed the school board of the USDA Waiver that entitles all students to receive free breakfasts and lunches for the 2021-2022 school year.

ACTION ITEMS

By individual motions, the Board approved/adopted the following items or action.

- **PERSONNEL** All employment recommendations are pending completed satisfactory criminal background history report.
- **Granville Wells**
 - Sherri Allen – Employment – Substitute Custodian effective April 13, 2021
 - Kerri Shirley – Employment – Part-time Cook effective April 19, 2021
 - Jakob Harsin – Resignation – Custodian effective April 28, 2021
 - Heather McDaniel – Employment – Custodian effective May 3, 2021
 - Amber Cowley – Resignation – Special Education effective May 28, 2021
 - Stephanie Spiritoso – Resignation – 5th Grade Teacher effective May 28, 2021
 - Kathryn Riner – Retirement – 6th Grade Teacher effective May 28, 2021
 - Natalie Copeland – Resignation – Special Education Instructional Assistant effective May 27, 2021
 - Donna Stachowicz – Resignation – Title 1 Instructional Assistant effective May 27, 2021
 - Danielle Williams – Resignation – Life Skills Instructional Assistant effective May 27, 2021
 - Hayley Eadie – Employment – 6th Grade Teacher effective 2021-2022 school year
 - Skylar Parmer – FMLA – Speech Language Pathologist effective August 10, 2021 to December 17, 2021
- **ECA**
 - Jamie Ramsey – RTI Representative effective 2021-2022 school year
- **Thorntown**
 - Amy Corwin – FMLA – Special Education effective April 19, 2021 to May 28, 2021
 - Shazia Baker – Fill in FMLA – Special Education effective April 19, 2021 to May 28, 2021

- **Western Boone**
 - Stacy Johnes – Resignation – Custodian effective April 8, 2021
 - Samantha Gillingham – Employment – Choir Director effective 2021-2022 school year
 - Krista Marconett – (6/7 to 7/7 periods per day) English and English Language Learners effective 2021-2022 school year
- **Western Boone Transportation**
 - Alynda Neubeck – Change in Position – Non CDL to Substitute Bus Driver effective May 6, 2021

Motion: Brian Gott, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **BUSINESS**

- **Moake Park Invoice from Rainy Day Fund**
 - Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve the payment of \$13,488.86 to Moake Park Group utilizing the Rainy Day Fund. Upon issuance of a bond for the Thorntown Elementary School Addition/Renovation Project, the Rainy Day Fund will be reimbursed.

Motion: Dennis Reagan, Second: Phil Foster, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Resolution Approving Form of Fourth Amendment to Lease**
 - Superintendent Ramey recommended the resolution approving Form of Fourth Amendment to Lease.

Motion: Greg Hole, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Resolution Reapproving Building Corporation**
 - Superintendent Ramey recommended the resolution Reapproving Building Corporation.

Motion: Greg Hole, Second: Phil Foster, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Reduction in Force**
 - Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve a reduction in force at the elementary schools for a remote learning position due to the elimination of the remote learning option for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion: Phil Foster, Second: Greg Hole, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Additional Compensation for Dyslexia Training**
 - Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve Additional Compensation for Dyslexia Training for Aimee Collins (Thorntown Elementary) attending SLANT dyslexia training on June 14 through June 18, 2021. Kelly Adams (Granville Wells Elementary) working on necessary coursework to maintain her SLANT certification. He recommended that Aimee and Kelly receive their daily rate of pay.

Motion: Brian Gott, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Authorization to Sign Agreements for Alternative Services**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve the Authorization to Sign Agreements for Alternative Services and Private Residential School Placements.

Motion: Dennis Reagan, Second: Brian Gott, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Handbook Revisions and Changes for 2021-2022**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve the revisions to Granville Wells Elementary School student handbook as submitted.

Motion: Greg Hole, Second: Phil Foster, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Greater Jamestown Area Fund**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended to approve Linda Wray to the Greater Jamestown Area Fund her term will run from May 11, 2021 to February 28, 2023.

Motion: Greg Hole, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Non-Resident Students**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve the following Non-Resident Students:
 - Mason Turk – Granville Wells, PreK, 2021-2022 school year.
 - Maverick Emmert – Granville Wells, Kindergarten, 2021-2022 school year.
 - Margaret Kaup – Granville Wells, Kindergarten, 2021-2022 school year.
 - Kyrah Dickinson – Thorntown, PreK, 2021-2022 school year.
 - Karter Fridlund – Thorntown, PreK, 2021-2022 school year.
 - Lane Lenehan – Thorntown, PreK, 2021-2022 school year.
 - Callen Baird – Thorntown, Kindergarten, 2021-2022 school year.
 - Charles Whiffing – Western Boone, 7th Grade, 2021-2022 school year.

Motion: Brian Gott, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Intra-District Transfer**

- Benjamin Tuttle – Granville Wells, from Thorntown PreK

Motion: Dennis Reagan, Second: Phil Foster, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Out of State/Overnight Field Trips**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve the field trip request for:
 - Washington D.C. trip – Riley Lerch has rescheduled to June 1, 2022 to June 5, 2022.

Motion: Phil Foster, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Donations**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve the following donations:
 - Western Boone High School – High School Baseball \$695.00 miscellaneous donors.
 - Western Boone High School – High School Boys Golf \$190.00 miscellaneous donors.

Motion: Greg Hole, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **CLAIMS**

- The Chair entertained a motion to approve the claims for the period of April 12, 2021, through May 10, 2021, as submitted.

Motion: Brian Gott, Second: Greg Hole, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- Kristen Dunn, Corporation Treasurer, provided an update on the financial reports of the school corporation.

- **OTHER**

- **BUSINESS**

- **Handbook Revisions and Changes for 2021-2022**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board approve the revisions to Thorntown Elementary School student handbook as submitted.

Motion: Brian Gott, Second: Dennis Reagan, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **Out of State/Overnight Field Trips**

- Superintendent Ramey recommended the Board to approve the field trip request for:
 - King's Island – Leslie Baker – Band May 22, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Motion: Phil Foster, Second: Greg Hole, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Last Day/End of 4th 9 weeks - Thursday, May 27, 2021
- High School Graduation – Saturday, May 29, 2021 11:00 a.m.
- Retirement Open House for Lisa Mohler, Susan Neese and Kathy Riner – Sunday, May 16, 2021 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm at Western Boone High School.
- Western Boone High School awards program – Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 7:00pm (virtual)
- Western Boone Junior High awards program – Friday, May 14, 2021 will be held during the school day for students only.
- On April 29, 2021, Governor Eric Holcomb announced Executive Order 21-12 that all public schools will continue to wear masks through May 31, 2021.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Dennis Reagan, Second: Brian Gott, (Discussion), Vote: 5-0

EXHIBIT A

RESOLUTION APPROVING FORM OF FOURTH AMENDMENT TO LEASE

WHEREAS, Western Boone Multi-School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation") has previously been organized pursuant to the Indiana Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1991 for the purpose of constructing, renovating and improving facilities for the use of the Western Boone County Community School Corporation (the "School Corporation"); and

WHEREAS, the attorneys for Building Corporation have drafted and submitted a proposed Fourth Amendment to Lease (the "Fourth Amendment") for the additions to be constructed at Thorntown Elementary School building (the "2021 Leased Premises"); and

WHEREAS, preliminary plans and estimates (collectively, the "Documents") for the completion of the 2021 Leased Premises have been prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Documents have been submitted to and now meet with the approval of this Board of School Trustees (the "Board"); and

WHEREAS, such Documents have been marked to indicate the work covered by the proposed Fourth Amendment; and

WHEREAS, it now appears to this Board that said preliminary Documents provide the necessary facilities for the students of the School Corporation, and that the proposed Fourth Amendment with the Building Corporation provides for a fair and reasonable rental; and

WHEREAS, by statute the Building Corporation is required to own the real estate to be leased to the School Corporation, and the School Corporation is required to have the value of the real estate determined by court-appointed appraisers; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the proposed form of Fourth Amendment and the Documents are approved and agreed to as the basis for a hearing, as required by law, and that such hearing should be held by this board upon the necessity for the

execution of such Fourth Amendment and whether the Lease rental provided therein is a fair and reasonable rental for the proposed building, prior to final determination of such questions, so that this Board may determine whether to execute such Fourth Amendment as now written, or as modified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Board is authorized and directed to publish a notice of such hearing as required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the counsel for the School Corporation or the Superintendent of the School Corporation is authorized and directed to select three appraisers to appraise the Leased Premises and to petition the Boone County Circuit Court (the "Court") to obtain an order approving the appraisal pursuant to Indiana Code § 20-47-3.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, any officers of the Board are authorized to execute a deed and sell the real estate at a price not less than that fixed by the Court.

Passed and Adopted this 10th day of May, 2021.

President, Board of School Trustees

Secretary, Board of School Trustees

EXHIBIT B

RESOLUTION REAPPROVING BUILDING CORPORATION

WHEREAS, Western Boone Multi-School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation") has been formed as a not-for-profit corporation to assist in financing, renovating, constructing and improving facilities within the Western Boone County Community School Corporation (the "School Corporation"); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of the School Corporation, as follows:

SECTION 1. That it is hereby determined to be proper and in the public interest of the citizens of this School Corporation to reapprove the incorporation of the Building Corporation known and designated as the "Western Boone Multi-School Building Corporation" for the purpose of financing, renovating, constructing and equipping certain school facilities and leasing same to this School Corporation.

SECTION 2. That the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Building Corporation, previously presented to the Board, are hereby reapproved.

SECTION 3. That providing for the financing, renovating, constructing and equipping of such school facilities by the Building Corporation and the leasing of same to this School Corporation is in the public interest of the citizens of this School Corporation, and it is a proper public purpose for which this Board agrees to cooperate with the Building Corporation and to assist it in fulfilling the requirements of all agencies of the federal, state and local governments.

SECTION 4. That the issuance, sale and delivery by the Building Corporation of one or more series of bonds designated "Western Boone Multi-School Building Corporation Ad Valorem Property Tax First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2022" (or such other name or series

designation as determined at the time of sale) (the "Bonds") in the aggregate principal amount of approximately \$16,500,000 is hereby approved.

SECTION 5. That, upon the redemption or retirement of the Bonds, the School Corporation will accept from the Building Corporation title to such school facilities, free and clear of any and all liens and encumbrances thereon.

SECTION 6. That this Board hereby reapproves the current Directors of the Building Corporation.

SECTION 7. That the Building Corporation may issue, sell and deliver the Bonds, pursuant to the applicable laws of the State of Indiana, may encumber any real property or equipment acquired by it for the purpose of financing the construction and equipping of such school facilities and may enter into contracts for the sale of the Bonds and the construction and acquisition of such school facilities.

Passed and Adopted this 10th day of May, 2021.

President, Board of School Trustees

Secretary, Board of School Trustees



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**AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN AGREEMENTS FOR ALTERNATIVE SERVICES
AND PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL PLACEMENTS**

The Board of School Trustees of the _____
Name of School Corporation

School District by vote at the _____, meeting hereby authorize
Date of Board Meeting

the following persons to sign agreements for alternative and private residential school placements as the designees for the President and Secretary of the Board.

Designee for President: _____
Name and Position of Designee

Designee for Secretary: _____
Name and Position of Designee

This authorization is valid through _____.
MM/DD/YYYY

Date Signed

Board President Signature

Date Signed

Secretary Signature

Date Signed

Superintendent Signature

PARTICIPATING SCHOOL CORPORATIONS

Clinton Central School Corporation ♦ Clinton Prairie School Corporation
Lebanon Community School Corporation ♦ North West Hendricks School Corporation
Rossville Consolidated School District ♦ Western Boone County Community School Corporation

Granville Wells 2021-2022 Student Handbook Revisions:

Correct small typos found in a few places.

Page 6 Update School Calendar

Page 9 School Resource and Canine Officer: Remove information related to the Canine Office and Sergeant Jeremy McClaine. Add: ***Western Boone County Community School Corporation works in conjunction with the Boone County Sheriff's Department to provide a secure school campus. Deputy Cary Clanton is assigned to GWES full time as our School Resource Officer.***

Page 21 Suspension, Expulsion, and Due Process Item #3 should read as follows:

Expulsion; In accordance with the due process procedures defined in this policy, a student may be expelled from school for a period of no longer than the remainder of the current semester plus the following semester, with the exception of a violation of rule ~~13~~ 12 listed under the grounds for Suspension and Expulsion in this policy.

Page 25 Suspensions: *This heading should read: **In-School Suspension***

Page 32 Playground Rules: Remove #3: Students shall not sit on monkey bars. Add: ***Students shall not stand or walk up the slides.***

Page 35

Page 36: Remove "Computer Lab" Section

Page 47: Textbook Rental Policy: Update with 2021-2022 approved fees.

EDUCATION & OPERATION FUND COMPARISON REPORT

As of April 30, 2021, the Education Fund cash balance was \$3,898,142. The Education Fund expenditures for April 2021 were \$703,490. As of the end of April 2021, a total of 30% of the 2021 appropriation was expended.

As of April 30, 2021, the Operation Fund cash balance was \$276,054. The Operation Fund expenditures for April 2021 were \$325,917. As of the end of April 2021, a total of 26% of the 2021 appropriation was expended.

Western Boone County Community School Corporation has investments in the form of various interest-bearing accounts and deposits with financial institutions and has earned interest as follows:

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>2021 YTD Interest Earned</u>
Home National Bank	\$3,590.15

FYI: The April 2021 - Fund, Appropriation, and Revenue Reports are posted to the School Board Document Site

Notable Revisions to TES Student Handbook

Justin Rausch <Justin.Rausch@webo.k12.in.us>

Fri 5/7/2021 1:34 PM

To: Tammy Clanton <Tammy.Clanton@webo.k12.in.us>

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Below is a highlight of the notable revisions to the Thorntown Elementary Student Handbook for the 2021-2022 school year:

Page 5 Arrival & Departure - language updated to reflect changes made throughout this year; new language is as follows:

We appreciate your cooperation with arrival and dismissal procedures. The priority is getting kids to and from school safely and it takes all of us to make that happen.

For students who are car riders to or from school, we need you to use the car rider line that crosses at Market Street and enters our east parking lot. This keeps the traffic down in front of our building where walkers and bike riders need to cross.

For parents who must travel down Mill Street during arrival/dismissal, we ask that you keep traffic limited to eastbound travel only from 75. The only parents who should be dropping students off at the front entrance are families with Western Boone Jr/Sr High students who need to catch the school bus. Please release students quickly so we can keep traffic flowing. If you need to park to assist them with getting out of the car, please use the car rider line or park in the east parking lot and walk your child around to the front door when you are ready.

Vine Street is closed to car traffic before and after school, and this is our designated safe zone for students walking and biking to or from school. Please familiarize your students with this area.

Arrival - Students should not arrive prior to 7:30. The doors will open at 7:40, so encourage them to come as close to 7:40 as possible. Tardy bell rings at 7:55. All walkers and bike riders should travel down Vine Street and cross with the crossing guard. If you have students who catch the bus to Western Boone, they need to board the bus at 7:40. I am not able to hold buses for students once they have started their engines to pull away from the school.

Dismissal - Walkers and Bus Riders will be dismissed after buses have exited the front drive. We need all walkers and bike riders to cross Mill Street with the crossing guard and travel north down Vine Street. We realize many parents and caregivers meet their children and walk to the gas station after school. However, we need everyone, even those with adult supervision, to travel down Vine at least one block before breaking off toward the gas station. It is difficult to keep unattended students from following the crowd toward 75 during this busy time.

Page 6 - Textbook Fees - language changed to exclude actual amount of fees; fees fluctuate from year to year and are not always available at the time we need to publish student handbooks; information in student handbook explains how fees are determined and expectations/methods for paying for fees

Page 7 - Attendance - no changes to district attendance policy; note added:

Additional information may be available to guide our response to attendance/absences (Based on our county's response to COVID) Page 7 - Attendance (clarifying revision, in response to frequent absence requests)

Prearranged or Extended Absences:

If a student is going miss school for a planned absence, parents/guardians must have the absence acknowledged by completing the prearranged absence form (from the main office) at least one week in advance of the function. Prearranged or

extended absences will be counted as undocumented, except in cases where a medical leave of absence is necessary and documented. For absences for reasons other than medical recovery, work will be provided upon the student's return and will need to be completed at home and returned within one week.

Page 8 - Attendance: Make Up Work (revision, with regards to virtual learning option)

MAKE UP WORK

In most cases, student materials can be picked up from school by 8:30 am, the morning of an absence. Teacher will be notified that the child will be out and whether the child is well enough to participate in virtual instruction. Students who are ill and unable to participate in the virtual lessons will have one day for each day of their absence to complete and return make up work.

Page 10 - School Messenger System - language revision only; new language below:

The School Messenger Notification System is a web-based system that allows Western Boone School officials to send immediate notification of emergency information of official information to all home telephones, cell phones, or email addresses in a matter of minutes to all subscribed parents and patrons. Upon enrollment at WB school, the parent is automatically subscribed to the School Messenger system. To unsubscribe, parents may notify the school office.

School Messenger will also deliver text messages with important information about upcoming events, school closings, safety alerts, and more. You can participate in this free service by sending a text message 'Y' to school's short code number, 67587. You can opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "stop".

Page 15 - School Resource Officer - language revised in anticipation for staff changes; new language below:

Each Western Boone school has a full-time SRO on-site throughout each school day. These officers contribute to the school culture to foster a sense of safety and security. They also engage with students throughout the building as a positive role model. DARE is taught to students in grades K-6 by our DARE officer.

Mr. Justin Rausch
Assistant Principal
Thorntown Elementary

Tentative King's Island Itinerary

Date- Saturday, May 22nd

6:30- Students report to WeBo Band room

7:00- Leave WeBo (Travel time ~3 hours by bus)

10:30- Arrive at King's Island, get tickets

11:00- enter park, eat lunch

12:20- meeting time at front gate, get instruments, head to performance area

1:00-2:00- Performance time on the Main Stage in King's Island

After performance, disassemble and head back into the park for fun!

8:00- Student report time at the front gate of the park.

8:30- Load Buses, depart for WeBo (Travel time ~3 hours by bus)

~12:00- Arrive at WeBo

Other Information:

Cost per participant: \$34.00

Chaperones/Non Participants: \$38

No Meals included, students will have to bring money or food with them for lunch and dinner.