

Board of School Trustees Meeting

NWCSD of Shelby County Board Room

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Present: Mr. Ken Polston, Board Member; Mrs. Kathy Cord, Administrative Assistant; Mrs. Laura Mullen, Corporation Treasurer; Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President; Mr. Steve Steele, Board Vice-President; Mrs. Wendy Gearlds, Board Secretary; Mr. Todd Brandman, Board Member; Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Absent: Mr. Glenn Bass, Board Member; David Ploog, Board Member

1 Executive Session

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1, the Board of School Trustees will meet in executive session to discuss a job performance evaluation of an individual employee as permitted under this statute.

Minutes:

The executive session began at 6:00 p.m. with five board members present. Mr. Bass and Mr. Ploog were absent. Also present was Attorney Amy Matthews. Discussion was held regarding a job performance evaluation of an individual employee. Chris Hoke joined the meeting at 6:30. No other topics were discussed. The session ended at 7:00 p.m.

2 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Mr. Cary Chandler offered the invocation. Following the invocation, all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3 Project Hearing Regarding the Proposed 2020 Project

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

3.1 Call to Order

Minutes:

The public hearing was opened at 7:04 p.m. Five board members were present, with Mr. Bass and Mr. Ploog being absent. Mr. Sanders explained the purpose of the public hearing and gave instructions for anyone wishing to make a comment or ask a question during the time allowed for public comments.

3.2 Approval of Proof of Publication (B.A.R.)

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Steele and seconded by Mrs. Gearlds to approve the Affidavit of Publication for the notice of hearing published on June 27, 2019. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Affidavit of Publication - 6-27-19.pdf](#)

3.3 Project Scope Presentation

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Minutes:

Mr. Hoke presented the overall scope of project, the timeline and funding information. Details of the project will address operational deficiencies encountered in the current use of the field house including increased parking and securing of the academic area of the high school, will open up classroom/media center space at the high school and middle school, and will address safety and supervision concerns with the middle school bus parking and locker rooms. Mr. Hoke explained that the middle school portion of the project can be funded from the Operations Fund. The high school/field house portion of project will be paid for with a bond sale.

3.4 Public Testimony/Questions

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

Minutes:

Mr. Sanders opened the hearing at this time for any public comments or questions. There were no public comments or questions.

3.5 Close Public Testimony

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

Minutes:

Mr. Sanders closed the public testimony portion of the hearing.

3.6 Recommendation to Adopt Project Resolution 2019-01 (B.A.R.)

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Polston and seconded by Mrs. Gearlds to adopt Project Resolution 2019-01. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Resolution 2019-01 - Project Resolution.pdf](#)

3.7 Recommendation to Adopt Resolution 2019-02 Determining Need for Project (B.A.R.)

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Polston and seconded by Mr. Brandman to adopt Resolution 2019-02 Determining Need for Project. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Resolution 2019-02 - Determining Need for Project.pdf](#)

3.8 Recommendation to Adopt Resolution 2019-03 Approving Preliminary Plans, Form of Amendment to Lease and Approving Publication of Notice of Hearing on Amendment to Lease (B.A.R.)

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mrs. Gearlds and seconded by Mr. Polston to adopt Resolution 2019-03 Approving Preliminary Plans, Form of Amendment to Lease and Approving Publication of Notice of Hearing on Amendment to Lease. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Resolution 2019-03 Approving Form of Lease.pdf](#)
[INDY- 14531482-v1-NW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS - Fifth Amend to Lease - Lease-c.pdf](#)

3.9 Recommendation to Adopt Resolution 2019-04 Re-approving Formation of Building Corporation

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Steele and seconded by Mrs. Gearlds to adopt Resolution 2019-04 Reapproving Formation of Building Corporation. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Resolution 2019-04 - Reapproving Bldg Corp.pdf](#)

3.10 Recommendation to Adopt Reimbursement Resolution 2019-05 (B.A.R.)

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mrs. Gearlds and seconded by Mr. Steele to adopt Resolution 2019-05 Reimbursement Resolution. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Resolution 2019-05 - Intent to Reimburse.pdf](#)

3.11 Close Public Hearing

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

Minutes:

Mr. Sanders closed the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

4 Regular Session (to begin immediately following closing of the Public Hearing)

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

4.1 Call to Order

4.2 Additions or Revisions to the Agenda

Minutes:

There were no additions or revisions to the agenda.

4.3 Consent Agenda (B.A.R.)

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Brandman and seconded by Mr. Steele to approve minutes of the June 12, 2019, board meeting and all claims presented. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[July 2019 Claims Credit Card Reports.pdf](#)
[6-12-19 Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

5 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Chris Hoke, Superintendent

5.1 Recommendation of Personnel (B.A.R.)

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Polston and seconded by Mr. Brandman to approve all recommendations, retirement and resignation as follows. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

- Leanne Retherford - retiring as Kindergarten Teacher
- Joe Talhelm - hire as 6th Grade Teacher and High School Boys Basketball Coach
- Judy Fedorchak - hire as High School ELA Teacher
- Aubrey Bush - hire as Kindergarten Teacher
- Amy Sanders - hire as Middle School Summer School Teacher
- Karen Davis - hire as Middle School Instructional Assistant
- Sheryl Parrish - hire as Elementary School Special Education Instructional Assistant
- Abi Mallo - resigning as Color Guard Director
- Chase Garrett - hire as Middle School Football Coach
- Dakota Nelson - hire as Middle School Football Coach
- Jonah Thacker - hire as Middle School Football Coach

Attachments:

[July Personnel Recommendations.pdf](#)

5.2 Recommendation to Approve Overnight Field Trip (B.A.R.)

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mrs. Gearlds and seconded by Mr. Steele to approve an overnight field trip request for 6th grade students to attend the Flat Rock River YMCA Camp Outdoor Environmental Education program August 21-22, 2019. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Field Trip - MS.pdf](#)

5.3 Recommendation to Approve 2019-2020 TCHS and TCMS Student Handbooks (B.A.R.)

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Brandman and seconded by Mr. Polston to approve revisions to the middle school and high school 2019-20 handbooks. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Attachments:

[Updated 2019-2020 TCMS STUDENT HANDBOOK.5-16-19.pdf](#)
[TCHS Handbook 19-20 - Google Docs.pdf](#)

6 Financial Report

Mrs. Laura Mullen, Corporation Treasurer

Minutes:

Mrs. Mullen reported that expenditures in the Education Fund are at the 50% benchmark and the cash balance is at 13% of the benchmark. Property tax payments were received in the Debt Service and Operations Funds. June lease payments were paid from the Debt Service Fund. The Operations Fund shows expenditures at the 50% benchmark and the cash balance reflects receipt of property taxes. A new bus was purchased in June. There was no activity in the Rainy Day fund. The School Lunch Fund appears to have lost \$40,000-\$50,000, but that is due to a requirement to spend down the balance and that happened in June. Mr. Sanders questioned if there is any anticipated need to use Rainy Day funds for the current project. Mr. Hoke replied there won't be a need for the middle school renovations, but there is potentially a need for for the middle school bus lot if any difficulties are encountered.

TCHS Athletics - There were no large expenses for the month of June. Transportation bills and other invoices were paid. Balance in the account as of June 30 was \$40,626.54.

FTA - Football helmets and equipment were purchased in June, and concession sales were added to the account. Balance in the account as of June 30 was \$39,073.21.

Attachments:

[June 2019 Fund Reports.pdf](#)
[June 18-19 Athletic Financial Report.pdf](#)
[June 18-19 FTA Financial Report.pdf](#)

7 Input from Board Members and Administration

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

Minutes:

Mrs. Gearlds welcomed the new teachers and offered good wishes to the principals for new school year.

Mr. Steele welcomed the new teachers.

Mr. Polston welcomed the new teachers, and stated he is looking forward to another great year.

Mr. Brandman echoed all previous sentiments and complimented Chuck Miller and his maintenance crew on the appearance of campus.

Mr. Hoke welcomed the new staff. He offered thanks to Chuck Miller for the great job he's doing managing the middle school locker room project.

Mr. Sanders welcomed the new staff.

8 Adjournment (B.A.R.)

Mr. Vince Sanders, Board President

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Steele and seconded by Mrs. Gearlds to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Approved:


_____ Vince Sanders, President

_____ Steve Steele, Vice President


_____ Wendy Gearlds, Secretary


_____ Ken Polston


_____ Todd Brandman


_____ Glenn Bass

_____ David Ploog