

# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The following represents the action taken at the April 24, 2017 meeting of the Board of Education which took place in District Board Room #108 located within Washington Intermediate School:

## **APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORTS & WARRANTS FOR MARCH 2016**

Approved the Treasurer's Report and Warrants for March in the amount of \$2,781,981.94 of which \$1,733,445.57 is payroll.

## **APPROVE MINUTES**

Approved minutes from the March 20, 2017 Board of Education meeting.

## **ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING GIFTS**

Accepted the following gift to Washington Intermediate School:

- An anonymous donation of six sets of basketball nets which were donated on April 18, 2017.

## **PERSONNEL**

### ***Employed:***

- Employ Cody Sheldon for the position of Band Teacher, effective August 17, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year at an annual salary of \$38,939 + TRS.
- Employ Renee Vonderheide for the position of Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant (7.5 Hr. COTA), effective August 17, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year at an annual salary of \$28,788 + IMRF.

### ***Reassigned:***

- Reassign the following (3) 5.75 Literacy Paraprofessionals as 6.5 hr. Special Education Paraprofessionals for the 2017-2018 school year: Wendy Huff, Katie McCoy, and Jody Hiser.

### ***Separated:***

- Accept the resignation of Cindy Schindler, Special Education Paraprofessional, for retirement purposes, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Amanda May, School Psychologist, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Teri Strauman, Physical Therapist Assistant, for retirement purposes, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Paulette Weghorst, 5.75 hr. Literacy Paraprofessional, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

- Accept the resignation of Morgan Wilson, Teacher, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

***Approved:***

- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Kaylee Grant, Teacher, effective March 21, 2017 through April 28, 2017 for a total of 23 days, using 23 paid sick leave days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Rachel Haynes, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective April 27, 2017 through May 12, 2017 for a total of 12 days, using 2 sick leave days and 10 unpaid leave of absence days.
- Approve a Revised Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Erin Heilman, Counselor, effective March 30, 2017 through May 30, 2017 for a total of 33.5 days using 30 paid sick leave days and 3.5 unpaid leave of absence days.
- Approve a Revised Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Bridget Heuermann, Special Education Teacher, effective March 16, 2017 through May 12, 2017 for a total of 36 days, using 30 paid sick leave days and 6 unpaid leave of absence days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Judith Brug, Special Education Paraprofessional effective April 18, 2017 through April 26, 2017 for a total of 7 days, using 7 paid sick leave days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Corliss Hansen, Secretary, effective May 8, 2017 through June 8, 2017 for a total of 23 days using 23 paid sick leave days.
- Approve Heather Ledgess and Jonathon Pree as Substitute Teachers for the 2016-2017 school year.

**AWARD THE BID FOR DISTRICT CUSTODIAN AND CLEANING SERVICES**

Waived any and all irregularities in the bidding process and awarded the three year contracted custodial cleaning services contract to ABBCO Service Corporation of St. Louis, MO.

**RENEW DISTRICT HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRACT**

The Board voted to approve the following benefits in regard to employee health and dental insurance:

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following:

- PPO1 Health and Dental Insurance contract with United Healthcare Insurance Company of the River Valley and Life/Accidental Death/Dismemberment insurance contract with the Lincoln Financial Group at the combined fixed monthly premium of:
  - o \$783.21 for individual,
  - o \$1,628.92 for employee/spouse,
  - o \$1,510.65 for employee/children, and

o \$2,294.58 for family health insurance ...  
for the policy period 7/1/2017 through 6/30/2018.

- PPO2 Health and Dental Insurance contract with United Healthcare Insurance Company of the River Valley and Life/Accidental Death/ Dismemberment with the Lincoln Financial Group at the combined fixed monthly premium of:
  - o \$747.09 for individual,
  - o \$1,553.08 for employee/spouse,
  - o \$1,442.01 for employee/children, and
  - o \$2,189.82 for family health insurance ...  
for the policy period 7/1/2017 through 6/30/2018.

### **PROCLAIM WINNERS OF ELECTION**

Proclaimed Chris Mullis, Debby Smith, and Chris Spanos the winners of the April 4, 2017 School Board election.

### **ACKNOWLEDGE BOARD SERVICE**

Acknowledged the service of Mary Jane Ingram, Ron Knautz, and Heidi Vermillion to the Board of Education.

### **SEAT ELECTED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS**

Seated and administered the Oath of Office to Board members Chris Mullis, Debby Smith, and Chris Spanos winners of the April 4, 2017 election.

### **REPORTS**

- Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report/State Payments Update-Mr. Glayn Worrell, Business Manager

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **Update on the 2017-2018 School Year Busing Fee Structure Proposal**

We have received a proposed fee structure from the City of Pekin for our district busing services. To provide a context, it is important to know that our typical increases have averaged around 3 percent to 4 percent over the past five years since the intergovernmental agreement has been in place. The proposal that Mr. Carson (City Manager) provided to us for the 2017-18 school year shows about a 23 percent increase (\$570K). That does not include the significant increase for charters such as for field trips and/or extracurricular activities etc.

We project that with three billing cycles left to go this year our cost for district busing including fuel for 2016-17 will be approximately \$2,433,000. The proposed fees for 2017-18 without fuel are \$2,853,787. Estimating on the high end that fuel will cost an additional \$147,000 using the City's figures, this would be a total overall approximate increase of \$567,787 for next year.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATES

### May Board Meeting Location

The May 16 Board of Education meeting will be conducted at Jefferson Primary School. Meeting time will be 6:45 p.m.

### Destination Imagination Qualifies for the World Competition

I am pleased to share that the “Top Secret” team from Wilson Intermediate School will represent the Pekin community at the Destination Imagination Global Finals 2017 competition to be conducted May 24-27. DI is a worldwide problem-solving competition among teams of students in several age divisions working to solve various problems. In DI, the state competition is the qualifying round for world competition. The Global Finals 2017 will be held at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, TN.

### May Reports

- Jefferson School Report

### Tentative May Items for Action

- **Contract Renewals:**
  - School Health Services
  - Food Service

## BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 24 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.
May 5 (Friday)	SIP Early Release Day
May 11 (Thursday)	Communications Committee Meeting-4:00 p.m.
May 15 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting (Jefferson School)-6:45 p.m.
May 25 (Thursday)	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Ceremonies (At Pekin Community High School-Hawkins Gym) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Edison-6:00 p.m.</li><li>• Broadmoor-8:00 p.m.</li></ul>
May 26 (Friday)	Half Day In-Service/Report Card Day
May 29 (Monday)	Memorial Day Holiday (No Staff or Student Attendance)

May 30 (Tuesday)

District Institute

**Action After Closed Session**

Appointed Heidi Vermillion to fill a vacancy on the Board of Education and serve a 2 year term until the next Board of Education election in spring of 2019.