

**Regular Board Meeting**  
**December 17, 2018**

The Board of Education of Wabash Community Unit School District #348 met in Regular Session on Monday, December 17, 2018 in the library of Mt. Carmel Elementary School.

President Schuler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary Janice Alka called the roll. Attending in addition to the secretary were Kyle Peach, Neil Earnest, Theresa Hocking, Jared Alka, Ryan Peter, and Tim Schuler.

Also present were Superintendent Dr. Chuck Bleyer, Mt. Carmel High School (MCHS) Principal Jake Newkirk, Mt. Carmel Junior High School (MCJHS) Principal Steve Holt, Mt. Carmel Grade School (MCGS) Principal Chris Taylor, Mt. Carmel Elementary School (MCES) Principal Sheila Odom, Director of Technology Kevin Smith, Kevin Madden – WSJD, Betsy Ross –WCTA, Cody Skees, Amy Kensler, Elizabeth Kasinger, Lori Kasinger, Brady Martin, Janet Storey –Watler Accounting, Darlene Underwood-District Treasurer, and District Secretary Kim Zimmer.

Schuler led the pledge to the flag.

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of Minutes of Past Board Meetings  
-November 19, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
  
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills  
-Invoices Paid November 2018  
-Bills Payable December 2018
  
- c. Approval of Financial Report  
Account balances were:

Cash Deposits	\$	308,861.44
Investments	\$	3,720,199.28
4 Fund	\$	3,315,011.00
5 Fund	\$	3,798,830.00
Breakfast-Lunch	\$	39,503.69
  
- d. Approval of Correspondence  
Jeannie Kennard retiring effective December 19, 2018.
  
- e. Approve Administrative Reports  
Mt. Carmel Elementary School Principal Sheila Odom  
Mt. Carmel Grade School Principal Chris Taylor  
Mt. Carmel Junior High School Principal Steve Holt  
Mt. Carmel High School Principal Jake Newkirk  
Director of Instruction Shelley Richardson  
Superintendent Dr. Chuck Bleyer

f. Press Plus Policy Updates

g. Cafeteria Bids for Remainder of 2018-2019 School Year

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Janice Alka and seconded by Hocking. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.***

Dr. Bleyer noted to the Board that the State of Illinois had changed the definition of an Instructional Day. He said he would be keeping the Board informed on how it would impact District #348.

### **Visitor**

Janet Storey – 2017-2018 School Audit

Storey handed out the 2017-2018 Annual Financial Statement booklets to the board members. She highlighted different areas of interest and asked if there were any questions. There were no questions asked.

### **Reports**

Brady Martin – Gear Up Program

Martin presented a PowerPoint which focused on the Gear Up Program and how it was benefitting the students in District #348. It is a seven year grant that encourages junior high students to start planning for their education beyond high school.

### **New Business**

Approve 2017-2018 School Audit

A motion to approve the 2017-2018 school audit as presented was made by Jared Alka and seconded by Earnest. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.***

Approve Proposal for Tax Levy 2018 payable in 2019

A motion to approve the Tax Levy 2018 payable in 2019 was made by Jared Alka and seconded by Hocking. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.***

Approve Increase for District Substitute Pay Effective January 1, 2019

A motion to approve an increase for substitute pay as recommended by Dr. Bleyer was made by Janice Alka and seconded by Earnest. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.***

### **Move to go to Closed Session**

At 7:36 p.m., Peach moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act: “The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.” The motion was seconded by Peter. All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.***

### **Open Session**

A motion to return to open session was made by Janice Alka and seconded by Peach. All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.*** The meeting returned to open session at 8:27 p.m.

**Closed Minutes Approved**

Janice Alka moved to approve the minutes of the closed session as read in closed session. Hocking seconded the motion. All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.***

**Personnel Matters**

A motion to approve the following employment of personnel was made by Peach and seconded by Hocking:

**CERTIFIED**

Amy Kensler -MCJHS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Teacher beginning January 3, 2019

**NON-CERTIFIED**

Julia Lynn Wheeler -MCGS Full Time Night Custodian beginning January 3, 2019

Kellie Malcomb -Brownsville/Norris City Bus Assistant beginning December 18, 2018

**TRANSFERS**

Paul Jones -MCGS Head Full Time Night Custodian beginning January 3, 2019

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR**

Cody Skees -MCJHS Girls' Track Coach effective 2018-19 season

**VOLUNTEERS**

Doug Spear -MCHS Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach beginning 2018-19 season

Tim Buss -MCHS Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach beginning 2018-19 season

Brian Snow -MCHS Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach beginning 2018-19 season

All present voted Aye. ***Motion Carried.***

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Jared Alka and seconded by Hocking. All present voted aye. ***Motion Carried.*** Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.