# Regular Board Meeting January 28, 2019

The Board of Education of Wabash Community Unit School District #348 met in Regular Session on Monday, January 28, 2019 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 Elementary School (MCES) Principal Sheila Odom, Dawn Drone –WCEA, Taylor Sutton –Volunteer, Marc Calverley –Bus Driver, Roxi Ingram – MCHS Secretary, Kevin Madden –WSJD, and District Secretary Kim Zimmer.

Schuler led the pledge to the flag.

## Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes of Past Board Meetings
  - -December 17, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills
  - -Invoices Paid December 2018
  - -Bills Payable January 2018
- c. Approval of Financial Report

Account balances were:

 Cash Deposits
 \$ 444,053.33

 Investments
 \$ 4,686,318.51

 4 Fund
 \$ 4,186,916.00

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 \$ 4,785,237.00

 Breakfast-Lunch
 \$ 21,492.57

## d. Approval of Correspondence

- -Kimberly Owens MCHS Family/Consumer Science Teacher retiring end of 2022-23 school year
- -Lennette Jones MCES 2nd Grade Teacher retiring end of 2022-23 school year
- -Gayle Kieffer MCHS Special Ed Teacher retiring end of 2018-19 school year
- 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

Jake Newkirk spoke to the Board regarding a change in the football schedule that should be

taking place in the next 1-2 years.

Dr. Bleyer noted that the buildings had experienced some maintenance issues with the boilers and fuses. He also noted that for the first time in many years the district was almost fully funded from the state.

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

#### Reports

Clint Phillips - MCHS Metals and Engineering

Phillips reported to the Board regarding a new program with Wabash Valley College called Accelerated Advanced Manufacturing. This joint endeavor between MCHS and WVC will allow students in this program to graduate with an associate's degree in one year. This will save the student's time and tuition expenses. Local employers are working with the schools informing them of the skills they are looking for in future employees.

#### Move to go to Closed Session

At 7:15 p.m., Janice Alka 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 Earnest. All present voted Aye. *Motion Carried*.

## **Open Session**

A motion to return to open session was made by Hocking and seconded by Jared Alka. All present voted Aye. *Motion Carried*. The meeting returned to open session at 8:00 p.m.

#### **Closed Minutes Approved**

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

## **New Business**

### Sale of Property

A recommendation from the Buildings and Grounds Committee was made to sell four parcels of land to Wabash General Hospital for a price of \$40,000. A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Peach and seconded by Jard Alka. A roll call vote was taken. All voted AYE except for Theresa Hocking who ABSTAINED due to being an employee of Wabash General Hospital. *Motion Carried*.

#### **Personnel Matters**

A motion to approve the following employment of personnel was made by Janice Alka and seconded by Earnest:

#### NON-CERTIFIED

Christy VanMatre -0-3 Grant F/T Parent Ed/Home Visitor beginning October 27, 2018 Marc Calverley -District F/T Bus Driver beginning January 3, 2019 Glee Wheeler -District F/T Bus Driver beginning January 10, 2019 Roxi Ingram --MCHS Secretary and Registrar effective January 15, 2019

## **VOLUNTEERS**

Taylor Sutton -MCJHS Girls' Track Coach beginning 2018-19 season

All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

## **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Janice Alka and seconded by Peter. All present voted aye. *Motion Carried*. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.