

Regular Board Meeting
May 16, 2016

The Board of Education of Wabash Community Unit School District #348 met in Regular Session on Monday, May 16, 2016 in the library of North Intermediate Center of Education.

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 Neil Earnest, Kyle Peach, Theresa Hocking, Jared Alka, Ryan Peter and Tim Schuler.

Also present were Superintendent Tim Buss, Mt. Carmel High School (MCHS) Principal Pat Cheesman, Mt. Carmel Middle School (MCMS) Principal Steve Holt, North Intermediate Center of Education (NICE) Principal Chris Taylor, South Elementary School (SES) Principal Sheila Odom, Director of Instruction Shelley Richardson, (MCHS) Vice Principal Michael Brewer, Mt. Carmel Middle School (MCMS) Dean of Students Jake Newkirk, Director of Technology Kevin Smith, Director of Transportation Karen Stoneberger, Kevin Madden –WSJD, TJ Hug –DRR, Dawn Drone –WCEA, Warren Fleetwood -MCMS Teacher, Lana Kendall –MCMS Teacher, Peggy Ernest – MCMS Teacher, and District Secretary Kim Zimmer.

Schuler led the pledge to the flag.

Consent Agenda

- a. **Approval of Minutes of Past Board Meeting**
-April 18, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
- b. **Approval of Monthly Bills**
-Invoices paid April 2016
-Bills payable May 2016
- c. **Approval of Financial Report**
Account balances were:

Cash	\$	211,818.07
Investments	\$	1,189,592.34
4-fund	\$	952,053.00
5-fund	\$	1,269,667.00
Lunch/Breakfast	\$	32,680.27
- d. **Approval of Correspondence**
- Rodney Harris resigning as SES P.E. Assistant effective the end of the 2015-2016 school year
- Christy Hopper resigning as MCHS Custodian effective May 15, 2016
- Tammy Merriel requesting Leave of Absence for the 2016-2016 school year
- e. **Approve Summer Camps and Clinics**
- f. **Declare Items Surplus at Schools**

g. Approve Administrative Reports

- South Elementary School Principal Sheila Odom (attachment #1)
- North Intermediate Center of Education Principal Chris Taylor (attachment #2)
- Mt. Carmel Middle School Principal Steve Holt (attachment #3)
- Mt. Carmel High School Principal Pat Cheesman (attachment #4)
- Director of Instruction Shelley Richardson (attachment #5)
- Director of Technology Kevin Smith (attachment #6)
- Director of Transportation Karen Stoneberger (attachment #7)
- Superintendent Tim Buss (attachment #8)

Peach motioned to approve the items on the consent agenda and Jared Alka seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. **Motion carried.**

Visitors

Kale Calvert – (ADG) – Mt. Carmel Middle School Update

Calvert reported to the board the progress to date on repairing the damage caused by a storm to the middle school. He said that they were still waiting on adjustors to find out how much the insurance would allow them on costs to repair the damage. There is damage to the roof, gym floor, cupola, and possible the HVAC.

Accept Reports

Mt. Carmel Middle School Language Arts Program

Mt. Carmel Middle School teachers Warren Fleetwood, Lana Kendall, and Peggy Ernest spoke to the board regarding the Language Arts Program at the middle school.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Amended Budget Information

Superintendent Buss reviewed the Amended Budget information with the Board.

Amended Budget on display May 17 – June 20

Amended Budget Hearing at 6:45 pm June 0

Approve Amended Budget June 20

Approve MCMS 2016-2017 Student Handbook

A motion to approve the MCMS Student Handbook for 2016-2017 was made by Earnest and seconded by Hocking. All present voted aye. **Motion carried.**

Resolution directing the Regional Superintendent to certify to the County Clerk the question of imposing a 1% county school facility sales tax to the voters of Wabash County at the November 8, 2016, general election.

Superintendent Buss read the resolution in full to the board. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Peter and seconded by Jared Alka. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. **Motion carried.**

Move to go to Closed Session

At 7:40 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 and individual student matters." Peach seconded the motion. All present voted aye. **Motion carried.**

Open Session

A motion to return to open session was made by Peach and seconded by Hocking. All present voted aye. ***Motion carried.*** The meeting returned to open session at 8:25 p.m.

Closed Minutes Approved

Janice Alka moved to approve the minutes of the closed session as read in closed session. Peach seconded the motion. All present voted aye. ***Motion carried.***

Employment of Personnel

Rehire MCHS and MCMS Fall and Winter Sport Coaches

A motion to approve the following recommendations for employment was made by Peach:

MCHS

ASSIGNMENT

Head Football Coach
Assistant Football Coach (Varsity)
Assistant Football Coach (Sophomore)
Assistant Football Coach
Assistant Football Coach (Freshmen)

Head Basketball Coach
Assistant Basketball Coach (JV)
Fr. Basketball

Head Wrestling Coach

Head Soccer Coach-Co

Head Girls' Basketball Coach
Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach (JV)

Head Volleyball Coach
Assistant Volleyball Coach

Boys' Golf Coach
Girls' Golf Coach

Girls' Tennis Coach

Cross Country Coach
Cheerleader Sponsor

MCMS

ASSIGNMENT

Girls Basketball 8th Grade
Girls Basketball 7th Grade
Girls Basketball 6th Grade

Boys Basketball 8th Grade
Boys Basketball 7th Grade
Boys Basketball 6th Grade

Cheer
Volleyball

FACULTY MEMBER

Darren Peach
Kevin Smith
Jake Newkirk
Michael Brewer
Logan Crum

Tyler Buss
Kyle Buss
Trey Beckerman

Logan Crum

Ed Berberich/David Stoneberger

Tim Willis
Steve Rigg

Kelsey Beckerman
Trey Beckerman/Lindsey Hadley

John White
Karin Kelsey/John White

Patty Bramlet

TBA (Steve Perry resigned)
Amy Blake

FACULTY MEMBER

Vernon Higginson
Jeff Perry
Joe Judge

Ron Patton
Beau Belt
Matt McCarty

Misty Jones
Julie Merritt/Lisa Benedict

Hocking seconded the motion. All present voted aye. ***Motion carried.***

A motion was made by Janice Alka to approve the following non-certified recommendations:

NON-CERTIFIED

Star Shoemaker	-MCHS Paraprofessional beginning the start of the 2016-2017 school year
Amy Kingsbury	-MCHS Part-time Daytime Custodian beginning the start of the 2016-2017 school year
Dean Bennett	-SES Part-time Custodian beginning May 17, 2016
Kyle Buss	-District Summer Paint Crew beginning May 31, 2016
Doug Spear	-District Summer Paint Supervisor beginning May 31, 2016

The motion was seconded by Peter. All present voted aye. ***Motion carried.***

A motion was made by Earnest to approve the following recommendation:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Darlene Underwood	-District Treasurer/Controller beginning June 1, 2016
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The motion was seconded by Janice Alka. All present voted aye. ***Motion carried.***

A motion was made by Hocking to approve the following certified recommendations:

CERTIFIED

Seamus Smith	-MCHS Math Teacher beginning the start of the 2016-2017 school year
Michael Aubrey	-SES Summer School Teacher beginning May 31, 2016
Tara Bruce	-NICE Summer School Teacher beginning May 31, 2016
Stephanie Kolb	-MCHS/MCMS Credit Recovery Instructor beginning May 31, 2016
Crystal Mefford	-MCHS Special Education Teacher beginning the start of the 2016-2017 school year

The motion was seconded by Earnest. All present voted aye. ***Motion carried.***

Adjournment

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

Report to the School Board
South Elementary School
Submitted By: Sheila Odom, Principal
May 16, 2016

All the local pre-schools and Day Cares were invited to participate in Kindergarten Transition Day on Tuesday, April 26th. We really strive to get incoming Kindergarten students to be familiar with the school before they arrive as a SES student. During their visit they participated in class curriculum, met teachers, watched the Kindergarten Program "Squirm" and the Pre-K students went to the playground. There were approximately 78 students in attendance. Because of the storm prediction the Kindergarten program was postponed to Monday, May 9, 2016.

The agenda for our two-hour early dismissal were teachers participating in curriculum reflection. The Teacher Institute Day agenda included vertical articulation and planning to do a study for the upcoming year. Teachers met and talked about what they would like to research as teams for next year. The 2nd grade team attended the Youth Mental Health First Aid training at the college.

Retiring teachers and assistants were recognized at the very nice annual "Tea" at the close of our SIP early dismissal day. It was a nice event. South School said goodbye to Rodney Harris, Patrick Colborn and Katie Kling.

Students loved shopping at the buy one, get one free book fair April 25 – April 28. This is a great opportunity to put books in the hands of our students for summer. It is always a popular event.

The end of year meal was provided on April 28th during the lunch, South had fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans and slaw catered by Chappy's. We recognized our employees that will not be returning next year.

Under the direction of Mrs. Brandy Mayer, SES Music Teacher, Kindergarten presented their Music Program. It was called, "Squirm". They did an awesome job. Mrs. Mayer also had the 2nd Grade program, called "Pajama Party" held on Thursday, May 11th.

Teachers and staff members were recognized for the fantastic job they do at South School during National Teacher's Week May 2 – May 6. On Monday, teachers were recognized with a small gift. The District furnished barbecue, bread, South furnished chips, drinks, and Aunt Terri cookies on Tuesday. (Thank you so much!) A small treat bag was provided on Wednesday from Hog Heaven and Mrs. Odom. PTO provided a pancake bar on Thursday, with fresh fruit and the teachers received a South School Stadium Blanket on Friday.

May 3rd and May 4th Kindergarten Teachers and Mrs. Odom attended a "KIDS" training conference. This is a state mandated assessment program for Kindergartners starting in the year 2017-2018. The training was very helpful and the Kindergarten teachers hope to pilot the program next school year. There are 14 different measures under, 5 domains that all Kindergarten students will be assessed. This will take time for the Kindergarten teachers to keep portfolios on all the students and have evidence before it is put in the assessment program on the computer. This would be a good time for a fifth Kindergarten teacher to be hired and limit the number of students to twenty (20) per class.

On Friday, May 13th South School plans on having their Accelerated Reading Celebration during activity periods with the theme "Slush Splash" and yes students did get wet.

On Monday, May 23rd around 9:45 students will be celebrating the 4th Quarter Aces Way Universal Celebration. The 2nd Grade is in charge of this activity and it looks like this will be a dance off, possibly outside.

South School Play Day: PTO will sponsor inflatables on May 24th as an end of the year celebration for all students. Students will be treated to active play time on four different Inflatable Games on the school grounds. Pray for sunny weather.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 19th – Kindergarten Play Day

Friday, May 20th – First Grade Play Day

Monday, May 23rd – Aces Way Universal Celebration

Tuesday, May 24th – Inflatables

Tuesday, August 2nd – Centralized Registration – 9 – 1 and 3 – 7.

Thursday, August 11th – Teachers first day back

Thursday, August 11th – Meet and Greet – 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Monday, August 15th – First Day for students – Full Day Attendance

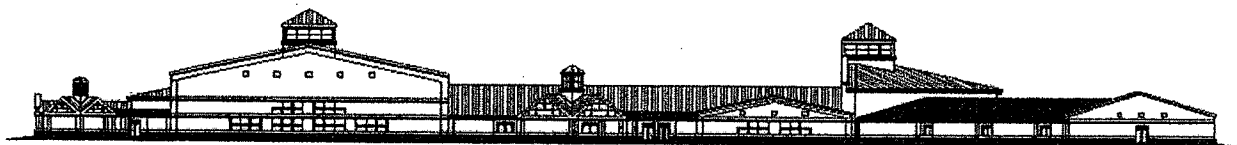
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To: WCUSD #348 School Board
From: Chris Taylor, N.I.C.E. Principal
Subject: N.I.C.E. May School Board Report

- * Parcc has been completed with all students tested.
- * Collected \$358 for Relay for Life. Students put money in teacher jars. The top 3 teachers receiving money will get pies in the face during the Pbis/AR celebration from their classroom students. Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Merritt, and Mr. Belt received the most money.
- * Bllc held their last meeting while working on the handbook for next year which will be given for approval in June.
- * May 16 we will have our Pbis/AR celebration. Inflatables and other activities will be provided by Paragon promotions our fundraiser partner.
- * Awards Day will take place May 23. Students will be recognized for Straight A's, Perfect Attendance, as well as acknowledging our community helpers.
- * MCMS band came and demonstrated for 4th and 5th grade students the Wizard of Oz in hopes of recruiting for band next year.
- * Fifth grade students went to MCMS for the end of year dance mixer put on by SLC.
- * Three winners from N.I.C.E. for the D.A.R. essays were Lexi Slane, Gage Kennard, and Carli Merritt. They wrote essays on the first amendment.
- * Fifth grade toured MCMS. Students went through the building, spoke to staff, watched a presentation by SLC members, and asked questions to prepare for next year.
- * Fifth grade state Science testing is completed. There were no technology problems and went very smooth.
- * The 3rd grade music program was a success. Third graders did a great job in front a full audience in the gym.

Dates to Remember

May	4	Faculty Meeting
	11	Bllc
	13	3 rd Grade field trip
	19	5 th grade field day
	16	Pbis/A.R. celebration
	23	Awards Day
	24	Last Day of School



Mount Carmel Middle School

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"We are on a mission every day to provide challenging learning opportunities so students can reach their fullest potential as independent thinkers."

School Board Report

April 18, 2016

PARCC Test

MCMS is happy to report that PARCC testing is complete. After much work and trepidation, the technology worked like a charm. We look to have the results back early in the fall.

ISA Test

In addition to PARCC, the MCMS 8th grade students also participated in the first administration of the Illinois Science Assessment. This test is also state mandated; however, this test only took one class period. The administration would like to thank Mrs. Dougherty for administering the test and especially Mrs. Taylor for setting up this test as well as PARCC. These tests are incredibly time intensive to coordinate and Mrs. Taylor's work is greatly appreciated.

Spring Concert

Our music department provided for an excellent annual spring concert on Tuesday, May 10th. Mrs. Wall did a great job in preparing our middle school students in her 1st year here at MCMS.

Staff Appreciation Week

The middle school celebrated Staff Appreciation Week during the week of May 2nd – 6th. Meals were prepared for staff and desserts by SLC students. The staff also received 5 minute massages courtesy of SLC. The administration would like to thank all of the staff for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.

Annual Awards Ceremony

MCMS will be holding their annual Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, May 24th in the morning. This is a great way to finish out the school year by recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of our students. Parents, school board members, and community members are invited to help us celebrate those accomplishments.

Extra & Co-curricular

Our Scholastic Bowl team finished their season with a Regional Tournament on April 27th. All of these individuals did a great job under the direction of Angelica Bobbitt, who filled in for a leave of absence for Elizabeth Kieffer. Track athletes had a great season finishing 1st place in the NEC conference for both girls and the girls going on to finish with a tie for 1st place in regionals. The teams finished their season on Saturday, May 14th by sending seven girls and four boys to the State Track Meet in Carterville. We are very proud of what they have accomplished.

Summer School

Summer School is set to begin on Tuesday, May 31st. It will be from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. every Monday thru Thursday at Mount Carmel High School. Summer School will be utilizing the Grad Point computer program that is also utilized at the high school.

Upcoming Dates:

5/16	School Board Meeting
5/19	Talent Show during Encore
5/20	Student Leadership Council and Band & Choir to Holiday World
5/23	8 th grade students to Holiday World
5/24	Awards Program @ 8:30 a.m.
5/24	PBIS 4 th Quarter Celebration
5/24	Last day for Students
5/24	Last day for Staff

Approved by the Board of Education on June 20, 2016



School Board Report

Mt. Carmel High School

May 16, 2016



- AP Biology, Science-Biology Assessment, and PARCC assessments have been completed. Thanks to Kevin Smith and Teresa Howell for setting up the computer labs.
- The music students had excellent performances of “Into the Woods”
- 250+ students attended Prom at the Eagles on May 7th and After Prom at MCHS had many activities presented by the junior parents. I would like to thank both groups for their efforts. These events cannot occur without the many volunteers who help and chaperone.
- We would like to invite all Board members to attend Honors’ night on May 19th and Graduation on May 20th.
- The Senior’s final day was May 13th. Senior week begins May 16th with practices beginning at 8:30 am.
- Thanks to the City of Mount Carmel street department for up keep on the softball and 4th street baseball parks again this year.
- At this time we have 223 juniors, sophomores and freshmen who have excellent attendance and they will not be taking semester exams.
- Summer school will be offered in Math, and Social Studies through WVC or Credit Recovery Program. Drivers Education classrooms will also be offered. Letters have been sent and many parents are aware of the courses that will be offered.
- The Agriculture Department had the plant sale. Proceeds will fund next year’s plant sales.
- Upcoming Dates-May, June, July and August

- 5-16 Senior grades completed and verified
A.P. Biology testing in room 226—8 am to 12 pm
- 5-19 Honor’s Night 7pm
Last day for students not taking exams, grades completed and communicated to students. Locker clean out- juniors @ 8:30, sophomores @ 9:30 and freshmen @ 11
- 5-20 Graduation 8 pm
Review for Final Exams
- 5-23 Final Exams Periods 1, 2, 3 & 4 periods
- 5-24 Last day for students- Final Exams- Periods 5,6 & 7
Teachers last day. Grades verified, grade books turned into the main office, keys turned in and **cook out during the lunch period. Retiring teachers will be recognized!**
- 5-31 1st session summer school begins (fall classes taught)
- 6-2 Grade cards
- 6-16 Driver’s Education last day for classroom
- 6-23 1st session of summer school ends
- 6-27 2nd session of summer school begins (spring classes taught)
- 7-4 Independence Day-no school
- 7-21 2nd session ends

Registration for 2016-2017

Tuesday, August 9th for Seniors from 8-9:30 pm.

Tuesday, August 9th for Juniors 10:00-11:30 am

Tuesday, August 9th for Sophomores 1-2:30 pm.

Freshman will register from 4:30-6 pm. Freshmen orientation will be at 6 pm

Shelley Richardson, Director of Instruction
Board Report
May 16, 2016

Professional Development

April 28th and 29th were the last professional development workshops for the year. The license renewal with ROE #20 went very smoothly and all of our teachers on the list were able to renew their license. Twenty teachers and paraprofessionals participated in Youth Mental Health First Aid Training and have been certified as mental health first aiders. Teachers also meet in grade and department level teams for vertical articulation and peer study topic selection. Next year we will be implementing a peer study during our professional development days. On the 29th teams chose a topic for their peer study which will begin in the fall. Also, the final Mental Health First Aid class of the year was also held on Thursday, May 12.

Pre-k and Early Childhood

For the FY 2018 school year Pre-k and Early Childhood programs will be up for re-competition. All ISBE funded Early Childhood programs will be competing for funding. Next year we will continue to receive funding for our current programs and in the spring we will begin the process of writing the competitive grant to renew our programs. We haven't had to compete for this funding for over 15 years. Updates about the process will be coming soon and I will be participating in related webinars and trainings.

Curriculum Materials

All curriculum materials have been requested and we are beginning the process of ordering for next year.

ISBE Report Status

In a few weeks we will begin work on preparing the Title I, Title II, Pre-k and 0-3 grants for FY17. All grants will be submitted this month and in June.

Grant Applications

I have written a grant to the State Farm Youth Advisory Board requesting funding to support Restorative Justice Practices in school. We will be notified in September if we will receive these funds.

I have also applied for additional Race to the Top funds from ISBE. We should be notified in a few weeks if we are going to receive these additional funds. These funds would be used to support our Project Lead the Way district programs.

Kevin Smith
WCUSD 348 Technology
May 2016

PARCC testing has been completed at MCHS, MCMS, and NICE.

The ISBE Science Assessment is being given around the district.

Chromebook collection at MCHS is under way.

I will be meeting with Mr. Buss and Mrs. Richardson to develop the Tech plan and budget for next year.

Transportation Report

Karen Stoneberger

5/16/16

The District currently has 11 Regular Routes with 880 Eligible Riders.

2 Special Needs Routes with 29 Eligible Riders

2 Riders to Norris City

60 St. Mary's Riders

7 Pre-K Riders

Average 688 regular miles daily

Average 179 Special needs miles daily

Approximately 22,900 miles this month

4 New riders added

11 Sports Trip @ 516 miles

7 Field Trips @ 1,113 miles

Vehicles scheduled 7 Times

On May 5th State School Bus Inspectors were at the garage inspecting our fleet of buses. We only had a couple minor problems, clearance light and a back door prop overall he said our buses are in pretty good shape for the age of our fleet. The inspector noted Robie was doing a great job.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

MAY 16, 2016

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING

We had to postpone meeting this week. Will reschedule next week.

END OF SCHOOL INFORMATION

Last day of classes, Tuesday, May 24, 2016

8:00-1:15	School with students
1:15	Students dismissed
1:15-3:00	Teachers work in Rooms
3:00	Teachers Dismissed

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Lots of talk about General State Aid (GSA) formula being changed. 3 different plans. Governor's tentative budget for State Aid has District #348 losing about \$94,000. More information to follow.

CENTRALIZED REGISTRATION

K-8 Centralized Registration date: Tuesday, August 2nd 9-1 & 3-7 at MCMS

MCHS Registration: Tuesday, August 9th Seniors from 8:00-9:30 am, Juniors from 10:00-11:30 am, Sophomores from 1:00-2:30 pm and Freshmen from 5:00-6:30 pm (Freshmen orientation to follow)

REVISED BUDGET

We are in the process of revising the budget as we do every year. Below are some time lines:

Revised Budget Display May 17-June 20

Revised Budget Hearing June 20 at 6:45 PM

Adopt Revised Budget at regular board meeting on June 20

UPCOMING DATES

May 16	School Board Meeting 7:00 PM
May 24	Last Student/Teacher Day of Attendance (we will dismiss students at 1:15pm)
May 31	PLC Meeting 11:00 AM at Tequilas
June 20	2015-2016 Amended Budget Hearing 6:45 PM
June 20	School Board Meeting 7:00 PM