# MARCH 21, 2019 REGULAR BOARD MEETING WHITE RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

The White River Valley School Board of Trustees met in regular session on March 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at WRV Middle School Cafeteria with six (6) members present: Mr. David Reed, Mr. Joseph Decker, Mr. Andrew Davis, Mr. Roger Shake, Mr. Jason Davidson, and Mr. Bruce Porter. Also: Dr. Robert Hacker, Ms. LeeAnn Kelley, Mr. Jason Walton and Mrs. Jill Staggs. Mr. Brock Hostetter was absent.

**ATTENDANCE** 

The meeting was called to order by President Reed.

Mr. Decker made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2019 Regular Public Meeting and March 13, 2019 Board Work Sessions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shake. The motion passed 6-0.

APPROVE MINUTES

Mr. Davidson made a motion to approve the Certification of the Executive Session Memorandum for March 13, 2019 Regular Public Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Shake made a motion to approve the Corporation claims from February 16, 2019 through March 20, 2019. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

APPROVE CLAIM S

# STUDENT RECOGNITION - ISSMA State Finalists/BPA State Finalists

## **OLD BUSINESS**

# A. Stephen Campbell Alumni Banquet Update (Friday, April 5, 2019 6:00 PM)

Update to the Board on our upcoming Alumni Banquet. All of our alumni award winners have now been notified and our preparing their speeches for our honor students. Reservation letters have been passed out to all parents with a reminder to contact Mrs. Emmons to make reservations by April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3PM. We have notified all four of the Alumna of the Year recipients:

L&M: Mike Williams Class of 1973

Switz City Central: Rick Graves Class of 1970

Worthington-Jefferson: Dr. Mark Buckley Class of 1972

WRV: Dr. Brian Steward Class of 1997

We very much look forward to the evening!! It is open to the public. Please RSVP by April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3PM to Michelle Emmons at 812-659-1424

### B. 2019 Spraying Contract

It is my recommendation that Lonetree Lawn Care receive the quote for spraying services at all three buildings with broadleaf/crabgrass spraying at the WRV High School property. With the spraying of nuisance weeds at all schools and two broadleaf sprayings being handled at WRV (April/October) to cost \$4,600.

This shall be a one-year contract for services. This price has remained stable for the past three years.

Mr. Decker made a motion to accept the quote from Lonetree Lawn Care for \$4,600 to spray weeds. The motion was seconded by Mr. Porter. The motion passed 6-0.

LONETREE LAWN AWARDED WEED SPRAYING

# C. Current Maintenance Projects/Update

We have completed the drainage project at the elementary school. That should help clear up the issue with the water issue in the front hallway. The new drainage system runs down the east side of the property out through the front of the playground area and out into the field. We appreciate the efforts of Travis Egnew in completing that work.

As we know, we put out an RFP on the Gym Roof at the Elementary School. That gym portion of the building was constructed in 1941. We had twelve interested companies, but one turned in a bid. The bid was quite high at \$189,000 with another \$72,000 for the alternative bid of sealing the brick. Scott Stenftenagel is here with us tonight to try to help us find the right course with this situation. Mr. Stenftenagel gave a presentation for repairs to the elementary gym roof.

Mr. Decker made a motion to accept the bid for repair pending solution to finance with CPF and Rainy Day funds. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion was tied. Mr. Reed, Mr. Davidson and Mr. Porter voted against. **MOTION DIDN'T PASS** 

ELEM ROOF REPAIR DIDN'T PASS

Other issues/plans for the summer include gathering bids for a variety of projects, but those projects will all be dependent on what we decide to do with the roof project. I have shared some of the quotes what I am receiving for further projects. Those were all in your board packet this week. I would like to get everything finalized by April 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

# **NES BUSINESS**

# A. HS and MS Student Handbooks - 2019-2020: 1 First reading

Both the high school and middle school administrations have led student handbook reviews in preparation for next school year's books. This is a first read and no action needs to be taken this evening. If anyone has any feedback after reviewing both handbooks, please contact me. The 2<sup>nd</sup> reads will take place at the April 24<sup>th</sup> board meeting in time to meet publisher deadlines.

# B. Apple Technology Lease Contract

Mr. Brown was here last month along with two representatives from Apple Education to demonstrate the updated version of the technology for our 1:1 program. This evening he is back again requesting and I am recommending that the Board continue in our lease to put iPad technology into our students' and teachers' hands as we have for the last four years. The possibilities are endless for both our students and teachers. In addition, the Apple education professional in-service for our teachers will be part of a summer summit on School Safety and Technology, beginning July 17 and running through July 19. This hands-on training will help our teachers to hit the ground running with the new technology. The lease will be for four years with payments of \$75,000 for four years. There is a buy-back plan at the end of the lease similar to the lease that runs out this June. Because we have the buy-back plan, our lease payments are \$13,000 lower than the first lease we signed with Apple. The first payment will be due August 1st, 2019 and we will be utilizing our book rental funds with a technology piece from the Operations Fund over the course of the lease. This is similar to what we did the first time around. The students will not be paying for apple Care on this lease which was \$99 per student. We only had 34 broken iPads this school year and some of those were students that broke more than one device. The new cases that we will be purchasing are a rugged case which will add better protection to the iPad. After talking with other schools that use iPads, they require students to pay for the damages to the device. We have looked into using AGiRepair to repair the broken iPads. When the student breaks an iPad an online repair order will be placed and the iPad will be sent in for repair. The iPad is repaired and sent back in two to three days with the bill going directly to the parents.

Again, we appreciate the board's willingness to be on the cutting edge of technology with the direction for professional development from staff. We are continually looking for ways to prepare our students for the future.

Mr. Porter made a motion to continue leasing iPads from Apple Education. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shake. The motion passed 6-0.

**APPLE EDUCATION -IPAD LEASE** 

C. Early Graduation Request

The high school administration has passed on to me and for the Board a student request for graduation for a member of this year's junior class. There is a provision within our policy to allow a student to graduate early if they meet a number of parameters. Ms. Kelley and Mrs. Ruxer have done the research involving this particular student and recommend the student for early graduation. I agree with their findings after investigating the situation. This takes Board approval for the final step of the process.

Mr. Davis made a motion to approve early graduation for a student in the Class of 2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Decker. The motion passed 6-0.

APPROVE EARLY GRADUATION STUDENT **IN CLASS OF 2020** 

D. Field Trip Request - Twin Rivers

Ms. Kelley has submitted a request for an overnight field trip for those WRV students who are involved in the State Health Occupational Science (HOSA) contests and convention form April 16-18 at the Westin Inn in Indianapolis. The teacher is Carmen Jackson, and she will be the chaperone for the four students - two of which belong to WRV. It is an overnight trip, which is why I am seeking board approval.

Mr. Decker made a motion to approve an overnight field trip for HOSA students April 16-18 to Indianapolis for contests and convention. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson. The motion passed 6-0.

APPROVE OVERNIGHT HOSA FIELD TRIP

E. Permission to Request Lyons Hay Quotes

Each year I ask permission to put the cutting of hay out for bid for our facility at Lyons. I would ask for bids to be turned in to me at the Administration Center by April 22 at noon. I am asking the Board for permission to do so this evening.

Mr. Decker made a motion to ask for bids to cut hay at the Lyons building with the 2<sup>nd</sup> cutting in exchange for mowing on the south side of the property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shake. The motion passed 6-0.

**BIDS FOR CUTTING** HAY

F. Board Meeting Date Change Request

I have been asked by a board member to move the date of our April 18th meeting. It's hard to get a date in the spring-time since we have so many activities going on, but I was able to identify April 24th, a Wednesday evening. I would need public Board action in order to make this official.

Mr. Davidson made a motion to move the April board meeting to April 24<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

APRIL MEETING TO APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>

G. Snow Day Movement

The 18-19 School Calendar had four built-in snow days. We have used three of those. I would like to ask the Board to consider keeping Friday, April 19th as a day off since it is Good Friday. That would put us I school on the Friday of graduation...Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. This will help us with attendance and with events that will lead up to graduation. I am recommending this change to the calendar to the Board this evening.

Mr. Porter made a motion to keep Friday, April 19th as a day off and go to school on May 24<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Mr. Decker. The motion passed 6-0.

FRIDAY, APRIL  $19^{TH}$ DAY OFF & IN SESSION MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>

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#### PERSONNEL

Mr. Davis made a motion to hire Jerry Wilson - WRV High School Soccer Assistant Coach; James LaFever - WRV Middle School Boys Soccer Coach; April Settles - WRV Middle School Girls Soccer Coach. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson. The motion passed 6-0.

HIRE WILSON – HS ASS'T SOCCER; LAFEVER -MS BOYS SOCCER; A SETTLES-MS GIRLS SOCCER

Mr. Davis made a motion to move Cathy Mowery to WRV High as a mathematics teacher. The motion was seconded by Mr. Decker. The motion passed 6-0.

MOVE K MOWERY TO HS MATH

Mr. Porter made a motion to hire Doug Lewis – WRV High School Principal effective June 1, 2019. (Two year contract). The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

HIRE D LEWIS - WRV H S PRINCIPAL START

6/1/19

# PUBLIC BOARD WORK SESSION - April 10, 2019 WRV HS Cafeteria 5:30PM

The Board has completed all three facilities studies and the district financial update. Now the Board will meet for a financial analysis of each building and to give direction to the superintendent regarding the direction the district needs to move. That meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the WRV HS Cafeteria. Again, this Board is inviting public input.

Mr. Decker made a motion to waive public comment policy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shake. The motion passed 6-0.

WAIVE PUBLIC COMMENT

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Sonja Hayes

#### INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Session	Wednesday, April 24, 2019	6:30PM	WRV Admin Center
Regular Session	Wednesday, April 24, 2019	7PM	WRV Room 110./111
Supt Office Hours	Monday, April 8, 2019	5-7:30PM	WRV Admin Center
Stephan Campbell Alumni Honor Banquet April 5, 2019		6PM	WRV HS Café
Programs Comm Mtg	Wednesday, April 12, 2019	5:30-6:30PM	WRV Room 110
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Snow Make-Up Days: Wednesday, May 22; Thursday, May 23; Friday, May 24

Mr. Decker made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Mr. Davidson. The motion passed 6-0.