



# CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS

School Board Regular Session 10.28.2019



## CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were approved:

- Claims
- Payroll
- Personnel Report
- Approval of Gift Applications
  - The Carmel Elementary PTO donated \$6,768 for the purchase of a postermaker for Carmel Elementary.
  - An anonymous donor gave a memorial contribution of \$50 to the Forest Dale Elementary library in memory of a student's grandfather.
  - Patrons of Creekside Middle School donated \$740 to the Performing Arts Department.
  - Martin Marietta made a general donation of \$500 to Carmel High School.
- Minutes: Workshop Session 9.9.2019
- Minutes: Regular Session 9.23.2019
- Minutes: Special Session 10.2.2019
- Minutes: Special Session 10.7.2019

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## ACTION ITEMS

- CCS Legislative Statement and Common Interests
- Adoption of 2020 Budgets, Capital Projects Plan, and Bus Replacement Plan
- Permission to Advertise for Bids-Network Connectivity Upgrade
- 2020-2021 Program of Studies Course Changes
- Adoption of Policy 0120.02-Nepotism and Relatives Reporter to Relatives
- Adoption of Policy 0242-Professional Growth Requirements
- Adoption of Policy 0243-Professional Meetings
- Adoption of Policy 2120-Employment of Professional Staff
- Adoption of Policy 4410-Promotion, Placement and Retention

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## SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS



The Carmel Clay School Board recognized 48 Carmel High School students for becoming National Merit Semifinalists! [Watch the Special Presentation](#)



The Carmel Clay School Board recognized CHS student Suhas Chundi for earning a gold medal at the International Biology Olympiad!

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## INFORMATION/UPDATE

- Design Development Presentation-Carmel Elementary School and the New Elementary School at Clay Center Road

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## DISCUSSION

- 2020 School Board Meeting Dates

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## MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

- Associate Superintendent of Business Affairs, Mr. Roger McMichael, presented the Monthly Financial Update.

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## REPORTS

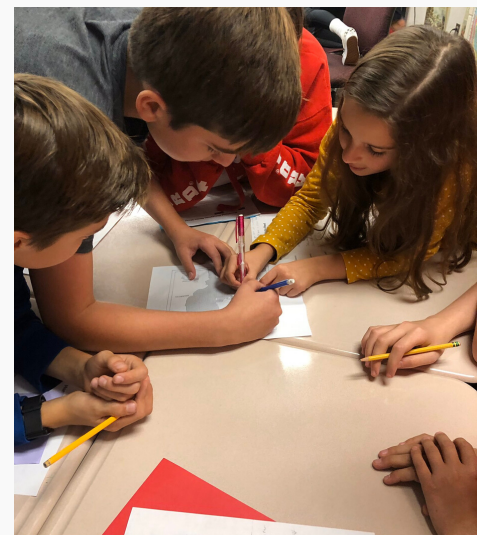
- Mrs. Ramona Rice, Supervisor of Learning presented on the Carmel Clay Schools AVID Program.

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## BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- Board Vice President, Mrs. Katie Browning, provided an overview of her role as a non-voting member of the Carmel Redevelopment Commission.
- Board Secretary, Dr. Lin Zheng, provided an update as a Board Member of Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation.

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Dr. Beresford shared a Referendum Update: The General Election is Tuesday, November 5th. Polls will open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 6:00 p.m. The School Safety Referendum will be on Page 1 of the ballot. The district is proposing a referendum for **no more than \$.05 cents** per \$100 of assessed valuation. This would generate a maximum of approximately \$5 million dollars per year over the next eight years. The referendum, if passed, would provide funding for the following:
  - Place at least one highly trained School Resource Officer (SRO) in every school in the district;
  - Provide additional mental health programming for students in every school across the district;
  - Provide professional development and training for our students, staff, and community to improve school safety and reduce violence.
- To learn more about the School Safety Referendum, Carmel residents can visit the CCS website: <https://www.ccs.k12.in.us/about/school-safety-referendum>
- Dr. Beresford shared that the district held their Parent School Safety Academy led by Student Services Director Mr. David Woodward and Head School Resource Officer D.J. Schoeff. During the program, parent participants learned about national and state safety practices, current trends in school safety and how these practices and trends impact safety planning at Carmel Clay Schools.
- Dr. Beresford attended the Carmel Education Foundation's annual Ghosts and Goblins 2K/5K walk/run last Saturday. It was a rainy day, but was a well-attended event. He enjoyed seeing all the costumes and school themes. Prairie Trace Elementary students and staff dressed in a "Here We Glow Again" theme, complete with neon clothing and glowing accessories. He thanked Carmel Education Foundation Co-Executive Directors Barbara Danquist and Stephanie McDonald for all their hard work and congratulated them on their upcoming retirement from CEF.
- Dr. Beresford shared the Carmel Fire Department has partnered with the nationally-known Kasey Program to educate young students on fire safety. Students at Prairie Trace, College Wood, Mohawk Trails and Towne Meadow got to meet Kasey and another dog in training named Kallie. Kasey provides a fun and engaging way to teach students how to "stop, drop and roll," among other interactive fire safety lessons. Retired firefighter Jeff Owens, who previously worked at Indianapolis Fire Dept. and Wayne Township Fire Dept., now wears the CFD uniform to present alongside Kasey at elementary schools across the nation. The Kasey Program educates 400,000 students each year on fire safety and is credited with saving 22 lives.
- Dr. Beresford reported that the Hamilton County Kids Coats Drive was a huge success! Carmel Clay Schools collected 1400 winter coats, 400 lightweight jackets and over 350 winter accessories. He shared that there are still volunteer opportunities at 6 locations on November 2nd and November 9th in which families come and pick out winter coats. You can sign up here to volunteer: <http://kidscoats.org/volunteer>

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- Dr. Beresford shared that Orchard Park Elementary hosted their annual International Festival. Hundreds of Orchard Park Families attended and visited 21 countries, learning about culture, food, music and traditions. OPE students also performed unique songs and dances from different parts of the world. It was amazing to see the diversity and how special Orchard Park Elementary is to our community.
- Dr. Beresford congratulated Carmel high school student Sapna Nakshatri for being selected as one of the recipients of the 2019 Indiana Outstanding High School Student of Spanish Award by the Indiana Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. Sapna credited Spanish teacher Gretchen Bishop for her passion of the Spanish language.
- Dr. Beresford congratulated the CHS Girls Soccer Team who were named Semi-State Champions! The team defeated Castle 1-0. They will play Noblesville in the State Championships this weekend.
- Dr. Beresford shared that it was a very rainy, windy and cold day on Saturday, but the Greyhound Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams persevered and are now headed to State! The Girls were Semi-State Runner-Ups and The Boys won Semi-State. Both teams will compete at the State Championships in Terre Haute on Saturday.
- Dr. Beresford congratulated the Carmel JV Cheerleading Team who were named JV State Champions. He also congratulated the Varsity Stunt Group who were named runner-ups in their division!
- Dr. Beresford's Bell Ringer of the evening was the CHS Boys Tennis Team winning the "Triple Crown in Tennis." He congratulated the team on an outstanding season! Presley Thieneman defended his title as the Singles State Champion. Uday Lomada & Jones McNamar also won the State Doubles Championship. The tennis team also captured the IHSAA State Championship Title for the 4th consecutive year!

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## CCS KUDOS



The School Board would like to recognize the hard work and dedication of staff members as brought to their attention by the Carmel community. Kudos to Charles Wheeler and Kate Barsten! If you would like to share your positive CCS employee experience with the School Board, please [click here](#).

## ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### NOVEMBER 2019

### DECEMBER 2019

Please [click here](#) to view upcoming Board Meetings, breaks and holidays

Nov. 11--School Board Workshop  
Nov. 25--School Board Regular Session  
Nov. 27-29--Thanksgiving Break (No School)

Dec. 16--School Board Regular Session  
Dec. 20-Quarter 2 Ends  
Dec. 23-Jan 6--Winter Break (No School)