

FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
1200 SOUTH CLINTON STREET
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 46802

6:04 p.m.

May 15, 2023

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

The Board of School Trustees of the Fort Wayne Community Schools met for student recognitions in the Lester L. Grile Administrative Center on Monday, May 15, 2023, at 6:04 p.m. President Maria Norman, with there being no speakers on Public Comment Regarding Agenda Topics, called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and the following members in attendance:

Roll Call Members present: Maria Norman, Chairperson
 Rohli Booker
 Anne Duff
 Julie Hollingsworth
 Noah Smith

 Members absent: Stephen Corona
 Jennifer Matthias

Recognitions Dr. Mark Daniel, superintendent, presented the following information and recommendations concerning awards and recognitions:

State **RECOMMENDATION:** It was recommended that the Board recognize Memorial Park for placing in
Academic the top 10 at the State Level Class 2 in the Academic Super Bowl.

Super Bowl **RELATED INFORMATION:** The math team placed 9th in the state, and the interdisciplinary team
– Memorial placed 5th. This year’s Academic Super Bowl theme was “The Age of Exploration”.
Park

The following were recognized:

Mary Daniel, Student	Angie Potchka, Coach
Mya Davis, Student	Brad Crozier, Principal
Jasmine Diaz, Student	
Zen Gunawardhana, Student	
Toby Watson, Student	

ISSMA All-Band & All-Orchestra Awards – Memorial Park **RECOMMENDATION:** It was recommended that the Board recognize Memorial Park for receiving the “All-Music Award” at the ISSMA All-Band & All-Orchestra Awards.

RELATED INFORMATION: The “All-Music Award” is the highest honor that a music program can receive from the Indiana State School Music Association.

The following were recognized:

<u>Students</u>		
Santana Barrera	Braxton Headley	Rachael Ray
Jasmine Diaz	Rodrigo Hernandez Villegas	Jameson Reed
Jessica Diaz	Olivia Hubartt	Estefania Rivera
Rovenio Gabriel	Ella Moore	Gavin Sierks
Em Grim	Daniel Musser	Miles Stockslager
Zen Gunawardhana	Noah Pommer	Gavin Weikle
Liam Gypson	Maggie Ramsey	Reyann Whipple

Staff

Colleen Phillips, Band Director Ryan Thomson, Band Director Brad Crozier, Principal

Superintendent’s Student Cabinet

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize the senior members of the Superintendent’s Student Cabinet.

RELATED INFORMATION: The Superintendent’s Student Cabinet was created to increase communication between the Superintendent and students from all of the District’s high schools and programs. This group’s mission is to provide the Superintendent with the student perspective and empower fellow students to improve the schools and community.

The following were recognized:

Jordan Green, North Side High School
Morgan McEachern, Northrop High School
Grace Witzigreuter, Northrop High School
Langston Leavell, Snider High School
Justice Billingsley, South Side High School
Kairoe Lloyd, Wayne High School
Marc England, Wayne High School

Aniyah Eldridge, New Tech at Wayne
Jennifer Loo, Amp Lab
Jada Nicole Beal, FWCS Career Academy
Paw Say Hei, Fort Wayne Virtual Academy

Indiana Academic Super Bowl – Northrop

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize Northrop High School for becoming Indiana Academic Super Bowl Champions.

RELATED INFORMATION: This is the school’s first ever State Academic Super Bowl Championship, the top seven teams out of about 70 get to compete at state, and winning in two rounds is an incredibly hard achievement.

The following were recognized:

Science Team, 1st Place

Alexandra Beber
Noah Haefner
Mckailyn Lort,
Chris Opper, Coach

Interdisciplinary, 3rd place

Anelise Fazzaro
Noah Haefner
Mckailyn Lort
Croix Winters
Christian Miller

Social Studies, 1st Place

Eloise Boschet
Anelise Fazzaro
Anthony Krider
Christian Miller
Croix Winters
Erin Smith, Coach

Scott Maack, Assistant Principal

Scholastic Arts Awards - Northrop

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize the students that performed and placed in the Scholastic Arts awards.

RELATED INFORMATION: The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards is the nation’s longest running awards for recognizing creative teens. Students are celebrated locally and nationally with awards, exhibitions, publications, and scholarships.

The following were recognized:

Lauren Anderson, Silver Key
Ryan Boice, Gold Key, Honorable Mention
Olivia Boner, Silver Key

Elisha Brown, 3 Honorable Mention
Ashley Carroll, Honorable Mention
Hannah Clardy, 2 Honorable Mention

Diana Diaz, Honorable Mention
 Samantha Flores, Silver Key
 Alix Michel Calvo Gonzalez, 2 Honorable
 Mention, 2 Silver Keys
 Sarah Hampton, Honorable Mention
 Joey Harter, Gold Key, Silver Key, and 3
 Honorable Mention
 Deinkeh Htoo, Silver Key
 Jay Jensen, Silver Key
 Genevieve Kahlenbeck, Silver Key
 Mikayla Klima, 2 Honorable Mention
 Brooklyn Michels, Honorable Mention
 Caiden Mitchell, Honorable Mention
 Paige Nave, Honorable Mention
 Michael Phiri, Honorable Mention
 Ava Precour, Honorable Mention
 Sienna Romes, Gold Key, Silver Key, and 2
 Honorable Mention
 Ella Schmidt, Honorable Mention
 Evalyn Serrano, Honorable Mention
 Chaya Sirivath, Honorable Mention

Morgan Smith, 2 Honorable Mention
 Celeste Swing, 2 Honorable Mention
 Angel Tubbs, Gold Key
 Gabriella Villanueva, Gold Key
 Maxwell Young, Gold Key, 2 Honorable
 Mention

Anelise Fazazaro, 4 Gold Keys, 3 Silver Keys,
 and 7 Honorable Mention. Anelise has received
 the highest number of Scholastic Art awards in
 Northrop’s history. Winning 38 Scholastic
 Awards from eighth grade to senior year:

- 1 National Gold Medal
- 10 Gold Keys
- 10 Silver Keys
- 17 Honorable Mentions

Erica Garcia, Teacher
 John Platt, Teacher
 Angela Smolek-Teacher
 Scott Maack, Assistant Principal

FWCS
 Scholarship
 Recipients

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize Fort Wayne Community
 Schools’ scholarship winners.

RELATED INFORMATION: Twenty-eight FWCS’ high school seniors were recently awarded
 scholarships by the FWCS Scholarship Committee. Committee members are selected by FWCS Board
 members.

Students who receive these scholarships must be FWCS seniors who displayed leadership and initiative
 during their high school years. Awards range from \$500 to \$25,000.

FWCS Scholarship Committee Chairman, Matt Henry, read the following:

Bill C. Anthis Scholarship
 Timothy Schwanz, Snider

Charles Baker Scholarship
 Cayden Moore, Wayne

Clarence & Josephine Biedenweg Scholarship
 Nathaniel Pickett, South Side
 Abigail Shimm, Snider
John and Maryann Chapman Scholarship
 Moo Blu, North Side
 Nevaeh Jones, North Side
 Alejandra Perez, North Side
 Haydie Pierce, North Side

Kasey Harter Scholarship
 Grace Gillie, South Side

Grace Hogan Scholarship
 Emilia Diaz, Wayne
 Jaelyn Embry, South Side
 Fiona Gochtovtt-Stine, South Side

Noah Haefner, Northrop

Lee Family Scholarship
 Izabela Djurovic-Topalovic, North Side

Nurse Marci Scholarship
 Ei Indra Soe, Northrop

Alice MacPherson Scholarship
 Genesis Villalobos, North Side

Nathaniel Saul Wittenberg Scholarship
 Matthew Hampton, Northrop

Shahnaz Shipchandler Scholarship
Jovana Ibisevic, Northrop

Richard & Patricia Wilson Scholarship
Savannah Hatfield, South Side
Trevor Robinson, North Side

Caroline Zwick Scholarship
Merari Williams, South Side

John Young Scholarship
Mo Ne Da Be, Wayne
Kailani Johnson, South Side
Mue Pae, South Side
Theodore Pancake, South Side
Lily Stahl, Wayne
Nora Summers, Wayne
Peter Switzer, North Side

Health
Occupation
Students of
America
(HOSA)
Awards

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize FWCS Career Academy students for participating in the 2023 Indiana (Health Occupation Students of America) HOSA Leadership Conference in Indianapolis.

RELATED INFORMATION: Forty-two Career Academy students participated in the 2023 Indiana HOSA Leadership Conference, April 10-12 by competing in various skill competitions within their Health Science fields. We have a total of 15 students place in the top 10 in their competitions. We had one state champion and two runners-up. Those students finishing in the top 3 have qualified for Nationals this June in Dallas, Texas.

The following were recognized:

Cultural and Diversity Written Test
Top 10 – Tiana Bryant – South Side

Dental Terminology Written Test
1st Place – Malia Radike – Snider
Top 10 – Kevin Alvizures– Wayne
Top 10 – Tessa Borton – Snider
Top 10 – Kevin Hernandez – Northrop

Dental Science Skills
Top 10 – Tessa Borton – Snider
Top 10 – Malia Radike – Snider

Healthy Life Styles
Top 10 – Nevaeh Early – North Side

Interviewing Skills
2nd Place – Andrew Reyna - Wayne

Medical Assisting Skills
Top 10 – Daisy Nino - Snider
Top 10 – Lisa Zimmermann – Indiana
Connections Career Academy

Medical Terminology Written Test
Top 10 – Gisele Guitierrez – South Side
Top 10 – Nazli Serrano – South Side
Top 10 – Sa Ban – Wayne

Personal Care Skills
2nd Place – Chloe Hille – Northrop

Skills USA
Competitions

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize the students that performed and placed in the 2022 Indiana State SkillsUSA competitions that were held in Indianapolis.

RELATED INFORMATION: 119 Career Academy students participated in April’s conference by competing in various skill competitions within their Career and Technical Education Career pathway. The Career Academy had a total of 19 students earning the state title and the opportunity to compete at the National SkillsUSA competition in June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The following were recognized:

Advertising Design
1st place – Mue Yae Pae, South Side

Cabinetmaking
1st place – Kyle Lundquist, Wayne
2nd place – Sydney Reed, Concordia
3rd place – Noah Sanders, Snider

Early Childhood Education
1st place – Anna Giesecking, Carroll
2nd place – Savannah Hatfield, South Side

Cyber Security
1st place – Allen Ramirez-Jimenez, South Side
and Corban Saylor, Homeschool

Digital Cinema Production

2nd place – Evan Farabee, Snider and Asa Ramsey, North Side

Electrical Construction Wiring

1st place – TJ Zelt, Carroll
2nd place – Jaylen Barnfield, Blackhawk

Esthetics

1st place – Brenda Bahena, North Side

Interactive Application & Video Game Creation

1st place – Aiden Bodie, Homeschool and Brian Guerrero, Northrop
2nd place – Bryce Bland, Snider and Alexis Crist, New Tech at Wayne

Job Skills Demonstration Open

3rd place - Morgan Diclimenti-Ross, South Side

Masonry

1st place – Brennon Burget, Concordia
2nd place – Ian Skinner, Carroll

Pin Design

1st place – Jeyda Nguyen, New Tech at Wayne
3rd place – Aleah Orozco-Mohr, South Side

Plumbing

1st place – Reese Graham, Snider
2nd place – Adam Pengelly, Homestead
3rd place – Michael Mackin, Woodlan

Promotional Bulletin Board

1st place – Aubree Armstrong, New Tech at Wayne; Jenisse Guzman, New Tech at Wayne and Jay Zehner, Snider
2nd place – Eh Nay Day, South Side; Jeyda Nguyen, New Tech at Wayne; Mue Yae Pae, South Side

Restaurant Service

2nd place – Jessica Crockett, Homestead

Sheet Metal

1st place – Troy Zimmerman, Concordia
2nd place – Alex Moore, Homestead

T-Shirt

1st place – Mue Yae Pae, South Side
2nd place – Eh Nay Day, South Side
3rd place – Aubree Armstrong, New Tech at Wayne

TeamWorks Construction

2nd place – Ethan Bock, Bishop Dwenger; Tyler Neff, Homestead; Adam Schenkel, Bishop Dwenger and Luke Schuckel, Bishop Dwenger

Web Design and Development

1st place – Chase Truesdale, Homeschool and Gabe Moore, Blackhawk
2nd place – Katy Barnes, Leo and Jordan Wolf, New Haven
3rd place – Myarion Johnson, North Side and Sabrina Dombrowski, North Side

Welding

2nd place – Chiu Lay, North Side

Welding Fabrication

3rd place – Wyatt Gray, Carroll; Grant Holman, Carroll; and Marcos Melendez, Wayne

Jesse Webb, CTE Director
Sandra Adams, Career Academy Principal

Comments

Board Member Julie Hollingsworth said that it was great to see so many award winners tonight. She enjoyed this evening's Scholarship Winner Reception, which is interesting to meet the students and their parents and find out where the students are going. Ms. Hollingsworth gave congratulations again to the students and their parents. She thanked teachers, principals, and counselors who mentor these students and makes them aware of scholarships. Member Hollingsworth also commented about the number of students named as winners for the Skills USA competition, from school districts across the area, not just FWCS.

Board Member Anne Duff also gave kudos to the scholarship winners and having an in-person reception again, post Covid. Ms. Duff promoted the Public Education Update "New Education Legislation Now What," which will be held at 6 pm, tomorrow night at the downtown Allen County Public Library to get a perspective on what the legislation has done to public schools. Speakers include Dr. Phil Downs from Trine and former Superintendent, along with Melanie Wright, Daleville educator

and former State Representative. Member Duff participated in JA for a Day last week at Washington Elementary, and she thanked the students and the teacher, it was a lot of fun.

Board Member Rohli Booker also did JA for a Day at Washington, and agreed it was a lot of fun. Member Booker congratulated all the students who were recognized during tonight's meeting, along with their families, it is a win for all who supports them.

Board Member Noah Smith commented that there was over \$168,000 awarded tonight in Scholarship winnings. He is also doing JA for a day later this week.

Superintendent Dr. Mark Daniel explained that tonight's Scholarship winners is was only a sampling of the scholarships awarded to our students. The Superintendent is very proud of our students and the programs we offer. Dr. Daniel thanked his Student Cabinet for coming to their pizza party this evening. They have requested additional meetings in the future so that students voices may be heard more often. He thanked parents and guardians for sending their students to FWCS.

Board President Maria Norman congratulated the FWCS retirees and spoke about last week's retirement dinner, which was bittersweet. Years of service ranged from 10 to 46 years. The number of years represented show that FWCS employees are dedicated as they love their jobs and the students. President Norman also spoke about last week's 3DE breakfast and it was wonderful to see it all come into fruition. It was enlightening to hear from a student talk about their experience due to COVID and that 3DE has given her the opportunity to come out of her shell. Ms. Norman congratulated all of our families, when students succeed and receive awards, parents, grandparents and guardians help get them all there.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, May 22, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Lester L. Grile Administrative Center.

Adjournment and Dismissal

There being no further business and no general public comment, upon a motion by Noah Smith, seconded by Rohli Booker, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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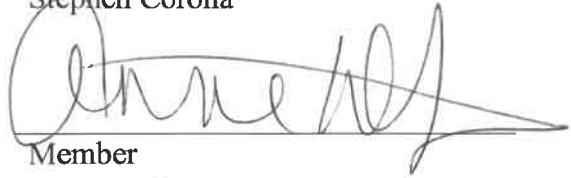
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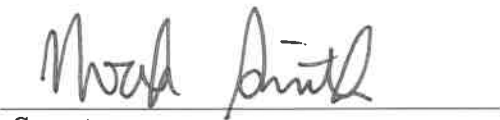
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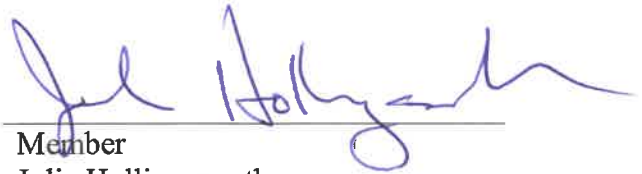
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