

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

6:02 p.m.

September 11, 2023

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

The Board of School Trustees of the Fort Wayne Community Schools met in regular session in the Lester L. Grile Administrative Center on Monday, September 11, 2023, at 6:02 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
Stephen Corona
Anne Duff
Julie Hollingsworth
Jennifer Matthias
Noah Smith

Members absent: None

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

Teacher of the Year & Employee of the Year Finalists for 2023-24

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize the District's 2023-24 Teacher and Employee of the Year finalists.

RELATED INFORMATION: Each year, Fort Wayne Community Schools requests nominations from principals for the Teacher of the Year and Employee of the Year recognition. In the spring of 2023, FWCS received more than 50 applications and narrowed them down to 14 finalists who were then interviewed by the committee. Two teachers and one employee were chosen as the 2023-24 FWCS Teacher of the Year and Employee of the Year winners.

The following were formally recognized as finalists for their hard work and dedication to the students of the District.

Elementary Teacher of the Year Finalists:

Jared Flotow, Third Grade Teacher, Study Elementary
Kaitlin Huffman, First Grade Teacher, South Wayne Elementary
Amy Stephenson, First Grade Teacher, St. Joseph Central Elementary
Rosemarie Suddeth, Kindergarten Teacher, Levan Scott Academy

Secondary Teacher of the Year Finalists:

Reba Ervin, Biology Teacher, Northrop High School
Josie Gorman, Math Teacher, Towles New Tech Middle School
Melanie Rice, Process Teacher, Amp Lab
Amy Schmitz, Graphic Design Teacher, North Side High School
Katie Sheppard, ELL Teacher, South Side

Employee of the Year Finalists:

Elizabeth Elick, Classroom Assistant, Study Elementary
Tameka McGraw, Secretary, Weisser Park Elementary

Teacher of
the Year
2023

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize Young Adult Transition teacher Christabel Emma Adhiambo and Brentwood Elementary School teacher Shellie Kale-Burden as the District’s 2023-24 Teacher of the Year winners.

RELATED INFORMATION: In the spring of 2023, FWCS received submissions from principals for the Teacher of the Year honor. Committees were established to focus on either elementary or secondary nominees with each committee selecting finalists to interview. After the interviews, each committee chose their respective Teacher of the Year.

The 2023-24 FWCS Elementary Teacher of the Year is Shellie Kale-Burden, a third grade teacher at Brentwood Elementary School.

The 2023-24 FWCS Secondary Teacher of the Year is Christabel Emma Adhiambo, Young Adult Transition (YAT) teacher at the FWCS Career Academy.

Ms. Adhiambo and Ms. Kale-Burden, came forward to be honored as part of the District.

Employee of
the Year
2023

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize Maplewood Elementary School classroom assistant, Tonya Oeschle as the District’s 2023 Employee of the Year winner.

RELATED INFORMATION: In the spring of 2023, FWCS received submissions from principals for the Employee of the Year honor. Eighteen staff members were nominated for the honor. The Human Resources Department reviewed the nominations and chose 18 year employee, Tonya Oechsle, classroom assistant at Maplewood Elementary School, as the 2023 Employee of the Year.

Ms. Oechsle came forward to be honored as part of the District.

IDOE STEM
School
Certification
– Memorial
Park &
Weisser Park

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognizes the staff, students, families and community of Memorial Park Middle and Weisser Park Elementary for being awarded the Indiana Department of Education STEM School Certification.

RELATED INFORMATION: The IDOE has awarded STEM School Certification to Memorial Park and Weisser Park for demonstrating a comprehensive STEM-based program (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) for students. Although the certification is a STEM Certification, both schools are putting the “A” in STEM and are proud of the Fine Arts Magnet programming and the integration with STEM and continuing the STEAM focus PK-8 (Young, Weisser Park and Memorial Park).

Staff from both schools, along with Memorial Park Principal Brad Crozier and Weisser Park Principal Melissa Plumb were congratulated. Principals were available to answer questions.

Consent
Agenda

Dr. Daniel presented the following consent agenda items with recommendations for approval: Minutes from the regular Board meeting, August 28, 2023; Vouchers for the period ending September 11, 2023 and the payroll for the period ending August 25, 2023; Personnel Report; and the Required Disclosures:

Minutes

The Minutes from the regular Board meeting held August 28, 2023 were distributed to Board members for review with a recommendation for approval.

Vouchers
and Payroll

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board approve the vouchers for the period ending September 11, 2023 and the payroll for the period ending August 25, 2023.

RELATED INFORMATION: All vouchers paid by the Fort Wayne Community Schools appear on a voucher listing totaling \$6,533,570.57

Gross wages and fringe benefits paid by the Fort Wayne Community Schools appear on the Payroll Certification document totaling \$10,085,930.03 for the period ending August 25, 2023.

Detail of all paid vouchers and payroll remains on file in the Business Office until audited by the State Board of Accounts. Following the audit, these records are stored as required by record retention regulations.

Personnel
Report

FUNDS

0101	Education	3769	Gifted & Talented	6840	Title II
0300	Operations	4120	Delinquent	6880	Title III
0800	Food Service	4170	Title I	6880	Refugee Children Impact Grant
0900	Textbook Rental	4900	E.A.C.H. Mental Health	7923	ESSER
1400	Career Center	5110	Steward B. Homeless Asst	7931	ESSER II
1705	Warehouse	5200	Special Education Fund	7940	Geer
2100	Donations Fund	5430	Pre-School Special Education	7941	ESSER I
2110	Access Channel	5550	Adult Basic Education	7950	ESSER III
2200	Alternative Ed Grant	6260	Perkins Grant	7970	Magnet
3710	Non-English Speaking	6460	Medicaid Reimbursement	7980	PEER
		6730	Gear Up		

STATUS

C	Position Changed	N	New Position/Allocation	T	Temporary Position
L	Leave	R	Replacement		

ADMINISTRATOR(S) RECOMMENDED FOR EMPLOYMENT

It is recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve the following:
Pay Scale 12: Central Office Administrative Personnel

Add: Community & Families Manager
Pay Group 20, Steps 31.0 – 39.0

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Washington, Denita L.	FACE/Manager-Community & Family, SS I, Group 20, Step 37.0	N	0101	09-18-23

TEACHER(S) RECOMMENDED FOR
RETIREMENT/RESIGNATION/TERMINATION/DECEASED

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Kellenberger, Joshua D.	Snider/English + German	Resign	0101	09-08-23
Matthews, Jasmine D.	Study/Grade 1	Resign	0101	08-28-23
Tajiani, Homa	North Side/Math	Resign	0101	09-01-23

TEACHERS(S) RECOMMENDED FOR EMPLOYMENT

Employment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>EXP</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Bawa, Musa	Purdue University Fort Wayne MS	0.0	New	Wayne/Math	R	0101	08-08-23

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Brewer, Stephen B.	Southern New Hampshire University BS	4.0	Certified Sub	North Side/ College & Career Readiness	R	0101	08-08-23
Byrum, Katerina A.	Indiana University Fort Wayne BA	0.0	Certified Sub	Lane/ELL	R	0101	08-16-23
Cameron, Jennifer L.	Western Governors University MS	<u>3.5</u> 6.5	New	Scott/Grade 2	R	0101	08-28-23
Cheng, Yan	Fort Hays State University MS	21.0	New	Special Education/ Speech Language Pathologist	R	0101	08-22-23
Curry, Tiffany J.	Purdue University Fort Wayne BS	0.0	Certified Sub	Adams/Grade 2	R	0101	08-08-23
Fields, Tiffany M.	Indiana Institute of Technology BS	0.0	New	South Side/MIMD	R	0101	08-08-23
Furniss, Savannah E.	University of St. Francis BA	0.0	Certified Sub	Franke Park/ Grade 1	R	0101	08-08-23
Kellogg, Andrew S.	Purdue University Fort Wayne MS	0.0	Certified Sub	Bloomington + Scott/Speech Language Pathologist	R	0101	08-21-23
King, Doreen V.	Strayer University Master of Education	4.0	Certified Sub	Kekionga/ Science + Computer Science	R	0101	08-08-23
Luevano, Julio C.	Manchester University BA	1.0	Certified Sub	Lakeside/ Spanish	R	0101	08-08-23
Martin, Lisa K.	Purdue University Hammond BA	<u>1.5</u> 6.0	New	Northwood/ Science	R	0101	08-08-23

Miller, Michael C.	Indiana University Indianapolis MS	0.0	New	Miami/Media	R	0101	09-07-23
Mitchell, Amanda L.	University of Massachusetts Amherst BS	.5	Certified Sub	Towles/MIMD	R	0101	08-08-23
Parnin, Stacey M.	Ball State University BS	0.0	Certified Sub	Abbett/Grade 2	R	0101	08-10-23
Reneau, Mark R.	Western Governors University BA	0.0	Certified Sub	Haley/Grade 5	R	0101	08-08-23
Settle, Thomas A.	Purdue University Fort Wayne BS	0.0	Certified Sub	Shawnee/Social Studies	R	0101	08-11-23
Shamblin, Erin L.	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley MS	16.5	Certified Sub	Northrop/MIMD	R	0101	08-28-23
Travis, Rebecca L.	University of St. Francis BS	0.0	Certified Sub	Harris/Grade 5	R	0101	08-08-23
Vorndran, Whitney A.	Bowling Green University BS	1.0	Certified Sub	Snider + Lane/HI	R	0101	08-08-23

TEACHER(S) RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Barrus- Peckenpugh, Brittany L.	Miami/Leave of Absence	Miami/Music	R	0101	09-05-23
Dimitrov, Lindsey R.	Price/Grade 2	Price/Family Medical Leave	L	0101	10-02-23 to 11-01-23
Dimitrov, Lindsey R.	Price/Family Medical Leave	Price/Leave of Absence	L	0101	11-02-23 to 01-05-23

Ferguson, Margaret M.	Maplewood/MIMD (0.50) + Shambaugh/MIMD (0.50)	Shambaugh/MIMD	R	0101	08-28-23
Parnin, Stacey M.	Abbett/Grade 2	Abbett/Kindergarten	R	0101	08-24-23
Webster, Charles A.	Snider/MIMD (0101)	Snider/Math (7923)	R	7923	08-22-23

SUBSTITUTE(S) RECOMMENDED FOR RETIREMENT/RESIGNATION/
TERMINATION/END OF ASSIGNMENT

Richards, Nathalia L.	Stoller, Calvin L.	Thompson, Nancy J.
Simpson, Kayla C.	Sweazey, Amy L.	

SUBSTITUTE(S) RECOMMENDED FOR CERTIFIED SUBSTITUTE POSITION(S)

Cline, William W.	Hewett, Mark A.	Rae, Marah C.
Deitche, La’Kendra N.	Jordan, Hannah L.	Schleinkofer, Taylor C.
Dutcher, Abigail M.	Kage, Natalie M.	Stoller, Calvin L.
Foster, James F.	Lee, Kevin B.	Torres, Nicholas R.
Haas, Derek A.	Mendez Rodriguez, Luis B.	Wallace, Kate E.
Halluska, Daniel J.	Newman, Connie S.	

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED FOR HOMEBOUND ASSIGNMENT(S)

Adama, Sumaila	Fuller, Sandra L.	Scholz, Kent R.
Albright, Renee L.	Givens, Kelly A.	Schwab, Jayme N.
Beaty, Chris M.	Gottschalk, Jasmine M.	Selking, Claire E.
Booker, Markeisha V.	Gray, Warren J.	Shade, Gregory R.
Busch, Sarah E.	Lewis, Maria A.	Smith, Aaron M.
Cross, Jill R.	Patterson, Erin K.	Stassen, Ariane E.
Day, Neil T.	Quinn, Molly A.	Williams, Roy R.
Deitche, Joseph A.	Robinson, Susan K.	Wilson, Angela M.
Derolf, Paul M.	Royal, Nakia T.	Young, Mark E.
Fuentes, Morgen M.		

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED FOR ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT(S)

Kerr, Arielle E.	Smith, Ryan J.
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CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED FOR
RETIREMENT/RESIGNATION/TERMINATION/END OF ASSIGNMENT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Adair, Annette M.	Northwood/Cook	Retire	0800	08-22-23
Atwood, Brittany M.	Towles/Cook	Resign	0800	08-30-23
Baumgartner, Brendan J.	School Asst–Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical–Sub (0101) + Food Service–Sub (0800)	Resign	0101/ 0800	05-25-23

Bloxson, Danielle K.	Bloomingtondale/Media Clerk	Resign	0101	09-08-23
Byrum, Katerina A.	Lane/School Asst	Classified to Certified	0101	05-25-23
Curtis, Sheila E.	Wayne/Cafeteria Asst	Resign	0800	08-16-23
Fields, Tiffany M.	South Side/Secretary School Year	Classified to Certified	0101	09-04-23
Fisher, Kathy K.	School Asst-Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical-Sub (0101) + Food Service-Sub (0800)	Terminate	0101/ 0800	05-25-23
Giannoylis, Christina R.	Nutrition Process Center/Cafeteria Asst	Resign	0800	08-16-23
Kessler, Nicole R.	Young Early Childhood/School Asst	Resign	0101	09-07-23
Knepper-Seidel, Shelby A.	School Asst-Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical-Sub (0101) + Food Service-Sub (0800)	Terminate	0101/ 0800	05-25-23
Luetzelschwab, Victoria A.	Title I/Title I Non-Pub Tutor	Resign	4170	08-21-23
Lynn, Kenyatta C.	School Asst-Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical-Sub (0101) + Food Service-Sub (0800)	Resign	0101/ 0800	05-25-23
Maller, Elise M.	Weisser Park/Licensed Therapist	Resign	6460	09-13-23
Nyangy, John K.	Transportation/Bus Driver + Supplemental Bus Driver + Extracurricular	Resign	0300	07-13-23
Perez, Monica A.	Abbett/School Asst	Terminate	0101	08-15-23
Rizvic, Vessela D.	Transportation/Bus Driver + Supplemental Bus Driver + Extracurricular	Resign	0300	08-23-23
Rodman, Nicholas M.	Transportation/Bus Driver Sub	Terminate	0300	08-17-23
Steury, Lydia M.	School Asst-Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical-Sub (0101) + Food Service-Sub (0800)	Resign	0101/ 0800	05-25-23

Torrie, Kendall J.	Abbett/Secretary School Year	Resign	0101	09-13-23
Walda, Julie M.	School Asst-Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical-Sub (0101) + Food Service-Sub (0800)	Resign	0101/ 0800	05-25-23
Walker, Brian E.	Transportation/Bus Driver Sub	Terminate	0300	08-17-23
Williams, Kojuana L.	Transportation/Bus Driver Sub	Terminate	0300	08-23-23

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED FOR EMPLOYMENT

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FUN</u> <u>D</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Anderson, Stephanie G.	New	Northwood/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-23-23
Bean, Katherine M.	New	School Asst-Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical-Sub (0101) + Food Service-Sub (0800)	R	0101/ 0800	08-22-23
Becker, Sharia M.	New	Washington Center/ School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	09-06-23
Boykin, Eva L.	New	School Asst-Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical-Sub (0101) + Food Service-Sub (0800)	R	0101/ 0800	08-17-23
Bradley, Faith D.	New	Student & Family Support/ b Instrumental Instructor	T	2100	08-29-23
Burford, Sherrie L.	New	Lane/School Asst	R	0101	09-05-23
Caprioni, Karen J.	New	St. Joseph Central/ School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	09-05-23
Donoghue, Tarah M.	New	Title I/Title I Non-Pub Tutor	T	4120	08-23-23
Doty, Alana M.	New	Helen Brown Natatorium/ Lifeguard	T	0101	08-31-23
Dumford, Linda J.	Health & Wellness/Sub Health Aide	Health & Wellness/Health Aide	R	5800	09-05-23

Elsheikh Yousef, Mona A.	School Asst–Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical–Sub (0101) + Food Service–Sub (0800)	Indian Village/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-05-23
Funk, Rachel K.	New	Northrop/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	08-24-23
Gelwicks, Jacob R.	New	Helen Brown Natatorium/ Lifeguard	T	0101	09-01-23
Gillispie, Christina	New	Kekionga/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	09-06-23
Godfrey, Andrea L.	New	Blackhawk/School Asst	R	0101	09-05-23
Gomez, Irene	New	Wayne/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	08-29-23
Gross, Elizabeth J.	New	Washington Center/Media Clerk	R	0101	08-31-23
Hardrix, Shirley D.	New	North Side/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	08-29-23
Johnson, Keymerra J.	New	Brentwood/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	09-05-23
Johnson, Leann M.	New	Nutrition Process Center/ Nutrition Services Special Assignment	R	0800	09-06-23
Kane, Jennifer K.	New	Arlington/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-29-23
Kartje, Lindsay M.	New	Haley/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-28-23
Kelsaw, Wanda R.	New	South Side/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	09-11-23
Kempton, Payton C.	New	Student & Family Support/ bInstrumental Instructor	T	2100	08-29-23
Kissling, Dustin R.	New	Northwood/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	08-29-23
Legault, Denise R.	New	Blackhawk/School Asst	R	0101	09-05-23
Macias, Raquel	School Asst–Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical–Sub (0101) + Food Service–Sub (0800)	Towles/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-18-23

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Marti Rocher, Elia	New	Adams/School Asst	R	0101	08-28-23
Mergy, Laura C.	New	Student & Family Support/ b Instrumental Instructor	T	2100	09-05-23
Miller, Sandra	Mew	Northwood/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-29-23
Minnick, Helen M.	New	Health & Wellness/Nurse Sub	R	0101	08-31-23
Neely, Marshay L.	New	Memorial Park/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	09-01-23
Nelson, Amanda E.	School Asst–Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical–Sub (0101) + Food Service–Sub (0800)	Waynedale/School Asst	R	0101	08-28-23
Nyangy, John K.	New	Transportation/Bus Driver Sub	R	0300	09-05-23
Parker, Regina C.	New	Student & Family Support/ bInstrumental Instructor	T	2100	08-29-23
Reffitt, Jada M.	New	Shambaugh/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	09-01-23
Rhoades- Glackin, Abbie L.	New	School Asst–Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical–Sub (0101) + Food Service–Sub (0800)	R	0101/ 0800	08-30-23
Richards, Nathalie L.	New	School Asst–Sub (0101) + Special Ed Asst Sub (0101) + Clerical–Sub (0101) + Food Service–Sub (0800)	R	0101/ 0800	08-21-23
Sennebogen , Julia K.	New	Wayne/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	09-01-23
Shewman, Halle R.	New	Harrison Hill/School Asst	R	0101	08-29-23
Sikorski, Kathryn L.	New	Helen Brown Natatorium/ Lead Water Safety Instructor	R	0101	08-30-23
Soto, Mariaelena E.	New	Snider/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	09-05-23

Thomas, Gabrial E.	New	Wayne/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-28-23
Walker, Ta'Quan L.	New	South Side/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-30-23
Ward, Ladonna T.	New	South Side/Cafeteria Asst	R	0800	08-28-23
Willis, Jonell D.	New	Health & Wellness/ Health Aide	R	6460	09-05-23

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Arnett, Jaydah L.	Transportation/Coordinator Special Ed Routing	Shawnee/52 Week Secretary Treasurer	R	0101	09-01-23
Bade, Charles A.	Transportation/Bus Driver + Supplemental Bus Driver + Extracurricular	Transportation/Leave of Absence	L	0300	08-30-23 to 01-08-23
Botale, Natacha N.	Nutrition Process Center/ Cafeteria Asst	Nutrition Process Center/ Family Medical Leave	L	0800	08-23-23 to 10-31-23
Dunn, Jessica E.	Blackhawk/Leave of Absence	Blackhawk/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-24-23
Harvey, Carman D.	South Side/School Asst	South Side/Secretary School Year	R	0101	09-05-23
Kelley, Heather M.	Nutrition Process Center/Cafeteria Asst	Nutrition Process Center/Sick Leave	L	0800	08-16-23 to 09-06-23
Munoz, Melissa E.	Harrison Hill/School Asst	Harrison Hill/School Asst Special Ed	R	0101	08-28-23
Scheid, Adam W.	Technology/Senior Network Technician	Technology/Coordinator Network Support	R	0300	08-28-23
Shwe, Yadana M.	Harrison Hill/School Asst Special Ed	Harrison Hill/School Asst	R	0101	08-28-23
Whitlow, Loretta C.	Transportation/Position Elimination	St. Joseph Central/ Secretary School Year	R	0101	08-28-23

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED FOR TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT (S)

Bell, Tori C.	Lee, John C.	Scott, Quinton J.
Cardoso, Vanessa	McCrorry, Betty J.	Sedlmeyer, Cheryl J.
Decker, Sarah E.	Meier, Jordyn L.	Soe, Paw S.
Foster, Dylan S.	Mixon, Anthony N.	Turner, David C.
Gilbert Jr., Brian	Podzielinski, John M.	Unrue, Kurt A.
Kerlegrand, Jennifer	Rogers, Kevin A.	Woods, Michael K.
Kopke, Breanna R.	Scott, Kobi R.	

Required
Disclosures

It was recommended that the Board of School Trustees approve the hiring or continued employment of individuals convicted of certain offenses and other misconduct listed in IC 20-26-5-11.2.

Recommended Candidates for Employment:

Position

Mild Mental Disability Special Education Assistant
Café Assistant Nutrition Services (2)

A motion was made by Anne Duff, seconded by Noah Smith, that the following consent agenda items be approved: Minutes from the regular Board meeting, August 28, 2023; Vouchers for the period ending September 11, 2023 and the payroll for the period ending August 25, 2023; Personnel Report; and the Required Disclosures. Roll Call: Ayes, unanimous; nays, none.

Subaru
Loves
Learning

Dr. Daniel presented the following recommendation concerning the Subaru Loves Learning:

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board accept the grant to Weisser Park Elementary School from Subaru Loves Learning for \$10,000.

RELATED INFORMATION: Fort Wayne Subaru has awarded Weisser Park Elementary School with the Subaru Loves Learning grant. Subaru continues their support of education in our communities through Subaru Loves Learning® by providing teachers across the country with funding to purchase the school supplies and resources they know are most needed to help students thrive in the classroom. Weisser Park teachers plan to use these funds to purchase STEAM materials for their classrooms.

Melissa Plumb, Weisser Park Principal was available to answer questions.

A motion was made by Rohli Booker, seconded by Jennifer Matthias, that the recommendation concerning the Subaru Loves Learning be approved. Roll Call: Ayes, unanimous; nays, none.

IDOE
Educational
Excellence
Awards

Dr. Daniel presented the following recommendation concerning the IDOE Educational Excellence Awards:

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board recognize Weisser Park teacher, Brandon Porter, for receiving the Promising Educator Excellence Award and approve the acceptance of the Educational Excellence Award in Community Collaboration for Amp Lab at Electric Works in the amount of \$107,250 from the Indiana Department of Education.

RELATED INFORMATION: Weisser Park teacher Brandon Porter and Amp Lab at Electric Works were recognized on September 8th at the 2023 IDOE Educational Excellence Gala. Mr. Porter received the Promising Educator Excellence Award and \$2,500, which was given to teachers with one to five years of experience who proactively engage in professional development and seek out opportunities to learn from other educators.

Amp Lab at Electric Works was recognized as the statewide exemplar for community collaboration at the 2023 Educational Excellence Gala. This competitive award was given to Amp Lab at Electric Works for their work to develop strategic local and state partners, prioritizing partnerships that foster the creation of collaborative solutions, and expansion of high-quality learning opportunities. In 2022-23, Amp Lab at Electric Works students collaborated with 80+ businesses, organizations, and agencies and worked with 200+ industry experts. The funds from this award will go to enhance the student experience and programmatic implementation at Amp Lab.

Brandon Porter, teacher Weisser Park, and Riley Johnson, Assistant Principal of Amp Lab at Electric Works were available to answer questions.

A motion was made by Anne Duff, seconded by Noah Smith, that the recommendation concerning the IDOE Educational Excellence Awards be approved. Roll Call: Ayes, unanimous; nays, none.

Vehicles for Maintenance & Operations

Dr. Daniel presented the following recommendation concerning the Vehicles for Maintenance & Operations:

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that an award be made to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor meeting specifications and quality standards

<u>Company</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Total</u>
O'Daniel Ford, Inc.	Fort Wayne, IN	\$238,804.00

RELATED INFORMATION: This purchase is for one Ford Transit, two Ford F-350 Trucks and one Ford F-550 Dump Truck . These vehicles will replace older units that are due for replacement. The total includes a trade-in amount of \$12,000.

Invitations to quote were mailed to three prospective vendors with one responding.

This purchase will be funded from the Operations Fund.

Pete Smith, Manager of Maintenance and Operations, was available to answer questions.

A motion was made by Rohli Booker, seconded by Anne Duff, that the recommendation concerning the Vehicles for Maintenance & Operations be approved. Roll Call: Ayes, unanimous; nays, none.

Extracurricular Account Reports, Second Semester 2022-23

Dr. Daniel presented the following recommendation concerning the Extracurricular Account Reports, Second Semester 2022-23:

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board accept the Extracurricular Account Reports for the second semester of the 2022-23 school year.

RELATED INFORMATION: Indiana Code 20-41-1-8 requires an accurate account of all money received and expended by extracurricular accounts. All extracurricular semester reports are audited by the Business Office and are available for inspection for ten years.

Kathy Friend, Chief Financial Officer was available for questions.

A motion was made by Rohli Booker, seconded by Anne Duff, that the recommendation concerning the Extracurricular Account Reports, Second Semester 2022-23 be approved. Roll Call: Ayes, unanimous; nays, none.

Budget Report 2024

Dr. Daniel presented the following recommendation concerning the Budget Report 2024:

Chief Financial Officer Kathy Friend presented a report that describes the year 2024 budgets for the Education Fund, Operations Fund and the two debt funds: Debt Service and Referendum Debt. The School Safety Operating Referendum budget will also be presented in anticipation of a positive vote on November 9. If it does not pass, the Department of Local Finance will not consider it. The public budget hearings will be held on October 9, 2023. Board action is scheduled for these budgets on October 23, 2023. Board members thanked Kathy Friend for the work on this budget and for her dedication to FWCS. She will be missed when she retires next month. They also discussed Complexity.

Comments

Board Member Steve Corona was at a Board of Director's meeting for the ISBA in Indy on Friday, where Dr. Katie Jenner and Dr. Tandra Jackson of IUPUI, School of Education, presented. Dr.

Jackson, is a past Shambaugh teacher and h spoke Mr. Corona spoke to her about getting students involved in teaching and coming to FWCS.

Board Member Anne Duff promoted an upcoming event “We don’t Vouch for Vouchers” which will be held on Thursday at 6 pm at the ACPL. She also did a shoutout to the ACPL for their professional work on live streaming and recording of events that are shown on their website for free.

Board President Maria Norman announced that she, Rohli and Steve are headed to the Council of Urban Board of Education’s conference in Chicago later this week.

Next Meeting The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, October 9 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Lester L. Grile Administrative Center.

Signatures Documents to be signed by members of the Board were the Minutes from the regular Board meeting, August 28, 2023; Vouchers for the period ending December 31, 2023; payroll for the period ending December 22, 2023.


Adjournment and Dismissal There being no further business and no general public comment, upon a motion by Noah Smith, seconded by Steve Corona, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



President
Maria Norman



Member
Stephen Corona



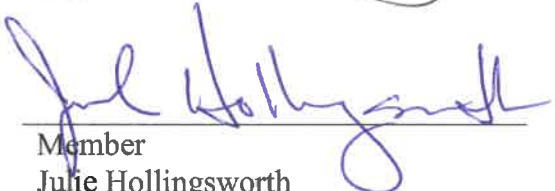
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