

School Board Meeting Recap

5/9/23

<p>Personnel Items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resignations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Zabrina Vice – Food Service ○ Amber Solid – Full-time HS Custodian ○ Sarah Kincer – Part-time HS Custodian ○ Dustin Chaffins – Part-time HS Custodian ○ Robert Loshe – Assistant Varsity & Middle School Wrestling Coach • Retirement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ T-Nina Hermann – Bus Driver • New Employees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grace Swander – 8th Grade English/Language Arts – replacing Gwen Habegger ○ Katie Sprunger – School Nurse – 1 day/week – replacing Kyndall Stucky ○ Shelley Pennington – Part-time HS Custodian – replacing Sarah Kincer ○ Owen Hough – Increase to Full-time Custodian – Part-time ES/MS & Part-time HS Custodian – replacing Dustin Chaffins ○ Clark Moser – Alternative Education Coordinator ○ Olivia Ayres – Temporary High School Math Teacher – to cover leave of absence • Summer School Teachers/Staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Crystal Haines ○ Shannon Herman ○ Lori McKinley ○ Andy Plattner ○ Kindergarten – Julie Reef & Valerie Yoder ○ 1st Grade – Abby Lehman & Wendy Baumer ○ 2nd Grade – Lona Shuey, Stephanie Blomeke (week 1) & Lisa Smith (week 2) ○ 3rd Grade – Allison Crider, Lois Bailey (week 1), & JD Keller (week 2) ○ 4th Grade – Tiffany White & Sandy Sprunger ○ 5th Grade – Jennifer King & Kristie Brown ○ IREAD – Allison Crider ○ 6th Grade – Eng/LA – Rebecca Dailey, Math – Krista Baxter & Sabrina Grose (each one week) ○ 7th Grade – Eng/LA – Trisha Moser, Math – TBD ○ 8th Grade – Eng/LA – Erin Macy, Math – Andria Schultz ○ HS In-Person Credit Recovery – Curt Amstutz, Lynn Carroll & Craig McKean ○ HS Online Credit Advancement – Chris Gilbert ○ HS Online Credit Advancement (Government Only) – Jessie O’Dell ○ HS Supervised (Summer) Agriculture Experience – Jason Shuck • Summer Student Workers – Custodial – Gavin Hudson & Braiton McKinley • FMLA Requests
<p>Food Service – Oven Purchase Proposal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motion was made and passed to approve the purchase of an Eloma combi oven from C&T Design and Equipment Co. • There will not be an increase in school lunch prices for next year.
<p>Facilities/Construction Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The air handler for the shop area arrived and has been installed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A construction kick-off meeting took place with PSI for the multi-function building and drainage projects. The drainage project is estimated to start on May 16th, and the multi-function building will start in June. • Other projects being completed around the campus includes the repair of curbs, signage updates, and the paving of the softball/soccer parking lot. • Dave is working on obtaining quotes for alternative playground surfaces/materials for the elementary.
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring online testing is almost complete and has gone very smoothly. The access points in the auditorium have been working well. • The Cloud storage back-up, Google Drive back-up, and 24/7 monitoring software for the server discussed at last month’s meeting have been purchased and implemented. • E-rate funding for this year has been approved with the reimbursement percentage increasing from 70% to 80%.
Safety/Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motion was made and passed to approve the installation of window films on the remaining windows on campus.
Athletics – Spring Athlete Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports of spring athlete participation for girls and boys were reviewed, as well as a comparison by school year.
Policy Review and Transition/Legislative Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public school funding percentages were shared for the next budget cycle. • There are substantial changes coming regarding textbook fees. New legislation would take the cost away from parents, but it is unclear what the reimbursement from the State to school corporations will look like. Superintendents are waiting for additional guidance from the Indiana Department of Education.
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>New Project Discussion/Updates – Tennis Courts</u>: A motion was made and passed to accept a proposal from Elevatus Architecture for the initial planning and subsequent construction documents to update the tennis courts. • <u>Bank RFP Discussion</u>: At the March meeting, the Board approved a request for proposal (RFP) letter to be sent to local banks for checking account services. The purpose of this RFP process is to obtain the highest quality banking services with the greatest expected interest earnings net of the necessary changes for services at a competitive price. A motion was made and passed to accept the proposal from First Bank of Berne. A motion was also made and passed to grant Heidi Sprunger permission to monitor and make recommendations to the Board in terms of the interest rate (fixed vs. floating).
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Pay Rate Increase – Student Workers</u>: A motion was made and passed to increase the student worker hourly rate to \$10.47. • <u>Service Agreements – Bowen Center & Parkview Health</u>: A motion was made and passed to approve the service agreements for Bowen Center & Parkview Health for mental health support and skills training for students. • <u>Student Handbooks for 2023-2024</u>: A listing of minor changes to the student handbooks were presented and reviewed. A motion was made and passed to approve the student handbooks for the Elementary, Middle, and High Schools for the 2023-2024 school year. A section may need to be added for alternative school at some point but is not included in the handbook at this time. • <u>Textbook Adoption</u>: A motion was made and passed to adopt a new biology textbook, a textbook for a new HS course (quantitative reasoning), and a new novel for 6th grade, as well as the proposed fees as applicable. An extensive review process was completed for these books including the

	<p>department chair, teacher, parents, and Joe Meyer to ensure the books meet the academic standards of the school and standards of the community as well.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Obsolete Equipment</u>: A motion was made and passed to declare an unused car in auto mechanics (2003 Ford Taurus) obsolete. Any proceeds received for the disposal of the car will be returned to the Auto Mechanics program. • <u>Overnight and/or Out-of-State Field Trip Requests</u>: The following overnight and/or out-of-state field trips were approved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Retroactive Approval – Canstruction Clean up/Deconstruction – Sunday, May 7th, 2023 – Fort Wayne, IN (Board approval required for weekend event) ○ SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference CNC Milling Competition – June 19th – June 24th, 2023 – Atlanta, GA ○ TSA National Convention – June 28th – July 2nd, 2023 – Louisville, KY • <u>Donations</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Portland Rotary Foundation - \$1,000 – Dots in Blue Water – Water filtration in Guatemala for upcoming trip ○ Micah & Amanda Borne - \$200 – SA Livestock Team ○ Paragon Products (Essex Greenhouse) – John & Lisa McAfee - \$800 – SkillsUSA Nationals/Machine Trades class ○ FCC (Adams), LLC – \$800 – SkillsUSA Nationals/Machine Trades class ○ Sam Bisel - \$100 – SA Fire Academy – FDIC Field Trip
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Upcoming Events</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pops Concert – May 13th ○ Kindergarten Graduation – May 23rd & 24th ○ Summer School Start Dates – HS – May 30th/K-8 – June 12th ○ Graduation – June 4th ○ Community Vacation Bible School – June 5th • Clancy Hawbaker and Kalle Trausch represented South Adams at the BPA National Convention in California. Thanks to Jenna Hart for attending the convention with the students! • The last day breakfast for teachers and staff and honoring of retirees will be on May 26th at 7:30 a.m.