

West Branch Local School District Board of Education Meeting (Thursday, February 18, 2021)

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Members present

Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

Also present were Acting Superintendent Micki Egli and Treasurer Adam Fisher

Meeting called to order at 6:36 PM**A. Meeting Opening**

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

3. 2021-039 Approval of Minutes

Recommend approval of the minutes for the December 19, 2020 regular meeting, January 13, 2021 Organizational meeting, the January 27, 2021 regular meeting, and the February 13, 2021 special meeting of the West Branch Board of Education.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Mikki Kanagy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins,

Courtney Stryffeler voted yes on the condition that the minutes on Resolution 2021-032 from the January 27, 2021 meeting be amended to show that she abstained. The minutes showed that she voted yes. The minutes were corrected on 2/19/2021.

B. Finance**2021-040 January 2021 Financial Report**

Recommend approval of the Financial report for January 2021.

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Bryan Hobbins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-041 January 2021 Expenditures

Recommend approval of accounts payable, payroll and benefits expenditures for January 2021.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-042 Appropriations

Recommend approval of Appropriations for 2020-21.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Courtney Stryffeler.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-043 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

Recommend approval of an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources.

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Karen Rice.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

C. Recognitions**1. Teenagers of the Month****Elks Teenagers of the Month**

February -- Joey Sprague and Riley Tuel

2. Review Athletes of the Week

Congratulations to Kenny Marra and Sydney Mercer for being named Alliance Review Athlete of the Week.

3. Winter Homecoming Court and Queen

Congratulations to Queen Alaya Kiser and court members: Jordan Anderson, Destany Blake, Ava Decker, Jillian Pidgeon, Sidney Milliken, Jaci Thomas and Riley Tuel.

D. Comments**1. WBEA Comments****2. WBCEA Comments****3. Visitor's Comments****E. Correspondence****F. Report to the Board****1. Semester Bullying Report - 2020/2021 School Year**

Ohio requires all school districts to adopt policies prohibiting harassment, intimidation and bullying.

Additionally, the West Branch Local School District's Superintendent collects data from each building regarding reports of instances of harassment, intimidation and bullying.

Harassment, intimidation or bullying means any:

- Intentional written, verbal, graphic or physical act that a student or group of students exhibited toward another student more than once; and the behavior both:
 - Causes mental or physical harm to the other student; and
 - Is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment for the other student.

By policy, the District must report to the Board of Education President and post any incidents of harassment, hazing, and bullying at the conclusion of each semester (annually). The posting is made on the District's website.

2. Superintendent's Report

1. Mrs. Egli showed a video showing students in our STEM program. Mrs. Buckley's class put together the video that was shown.
2. Donations to date- \$21,000 for next year's STEM classes. She is encouraging others to continue to donate.
3. Mrs. Egli talked about graduation- June 6th. 2 plans- if weather permits- at stadium. If inclement- hold 3 separate graduations indoors
4. Prom- May 1st- some sort of prom. Mahoning County Health Dept. will give us guidelines. Info will come out shortly.

3. Committee Reports

Technology Committee- A new young man helping in the tech department repairing. Security cameras are up and running.- MORE- Ask Mr. Hobbins or Mrs. Kanagy about these details

Athletic Committee- Boys and girls basketball starting tournament play

Legislation Committee- HB409: (monitored) Attendance taking and absence intervention for all remote learners.

HB436: (monitoring) Intervention and screening for children with dyslexia; changes Committee from 6 to 11 members and changes professional development hours.

HB231: Enacted. "Allison Rose Suhy Act" Epinephrine use; Increase awareness of free Epinephrine injector programs; Districts can implement policy to educate students and staff regarding food allergies and how to assist.

HB123: Monitoring. School Security and youth suicide awareness education and training. Districts to register with SAFER Ohio tip line or implement an anonymous reporting program of the districts choice; school threat assessment teams; training for suicidal awareness and social inclusion at least one program includes instruction.

- A) encourages applying for school safety grants
- B) encourages student led violence prevention club
- C) Educates in warning signs and threats
- D) importance of taking threats seriously and reporting
- E) Education on how to report

4. Principal & Supervisor Reports

G. Old Business

H. New Business

2021-044 2021 -- 2022 Open Enrollment

Recommend approval to continue offering the Open Enrollment option for the 2021 -- 2022 school year for both adjacent and non-adjacent school districts.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-045 Acceptance of Gifts and Donations

Recommend acceptance of the following gifts and donations, with gratitude:

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Bryan Hobbins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

I. Personnel

2021-046 Classified Substitute

Recommend approval to employ the following as classified substitutes for the 2020 - 2021 school year:

Traci Hawk (effective January 13, 2021)

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Mikki Kanagy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Bryan Hobbins

Abstain: Aaron Hawk

2021-047 Classified Substitute(s)

Recommend approval to employ the following as classified substitutes for the 2020 - 2021 school year:

Mary Korosy
Eric Waggoner

Motion by Karen Rice, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-048 Retirement - Cope

Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Luanne Cope effective February 18, 2021.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

FMLA - Williams

Tabled

2021-049 FMLA - Ausnehmer

Recommend approval to grant FMLA to Abbey Ausnehmer for up to twelve weeks beginning February 2, 2021.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by Courtney Stryffeler.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-050 Unpaid Leave - Oblisk

Recommend approval to grant Cheryl Oblisk an unpaid leave of absence for February 11, 2021.

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Bryan Hobbins.

Final Resolution: Motion Failed

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Bryan Hobbins

No: Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk

2021-051 Resignation - Loudon

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Scott Loudon as the JV Baseball coach.

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Mikki Kanagy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-052 Resignation - Butler

Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Kevin Butler as Varsity Assistant baseball coach.

Motion by Karen Rice, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-053 Athletic Supplemental Positions

Recommend the Board approve the following supplemental positions for the 2020 -- 2021 school year (pending certification).

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Mikki Kanagy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

2021-054 Employment Related Agreement

Recommend the Board authorizes and directs the Superintendent, Treasurer and Board President to execute an employment related agreement on behalf of the Board with Sherry Malloy and take such actions as are necessary to effectuate said agreement.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Courtney Stryffeler.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

J. Board Recommendation

K. Executive Session

2021-055 Executive Session - Motion

Recommend the West Branch Local School District Board of Education enter into Executive Session at 7:08 PM for the reasons stated below(No Action Will Be Taken upon return):

A. To consider one or more, as applicable, of the marked items with respect to a public employee or official:

1. ☐ Appointment
2. ☒ Employment
3. ☐ Dismissal
4. ☐ Discipline
5. ☐ Promotion
6. ☐ Demotion
7. ☐ Compensation

B. Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested).

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

L. Adjournment

2021-056 Adjourn

Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Courtney Stryffeler, second by Bryan Hobbins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Courtney Stryffeler, Karen Rice, Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins

Meeting Adjourned at 9:32 PM



President

Attest:



Treasurer

