

West Branch Local School District Board of Education Meeting (Wednesday, March 20, 2024)

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Members present

Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

Also present were Superintendent Micki Egli and Treasurer Adam Fisher

Meeting called to order at 6:03 PM**A. Call to Order****1. Call to Order****2. Pledge of Allegiance****3. Roll Call****B. Agenda Approval****1. 2024-044 Approve Consent Agenda**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, approve the consent agenda for the 3/20/2024 Board of Education Regular Session. If any board member wishes to move any consent agenda items to the regular agenda for further discussion, please let it be known now.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Joe Courtwright.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

C. Comments

1. Visitor's Comments - None

2. WBEA Comments - None

3. WBCEA Comments

D. Building Reports

1. Building Reports - Please see Board Docs

E. Superintendent's Report**1. Monthly Updates**

a. Honored Student - Parker Loper - 6th Grader at the middle school - Mr. Schlueter read notes and accolades from his teachers

b. Honored Staff Member - Jody McClean - Head Cook at the middle school - Mr. Schlueter and Miss Strausbaugh read accolades

c. Are cell phones disrupting learning? - Mrs. Lyons presented findings on an experiment that was done in a few classrooms at the high school and middle school where the teachers allowed the students to have their ringers on, and they kept tallies every time a notification went off. The numbers were staggering. It was very apparent that students are distracted by their phones while at school.

2. Recognitions

1. Mrs. Tice and National Honor Society for hosting a blood drive.

2. Varsity Boys' Basketball and Coaching Staff -- EBC Champs

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4. Walt DeShields received the OHSAA Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Award.

5. 2024 Winter Athletic Honors

Boys Basketball

EBC Coach of the Year: Scott Loudon

1st Team EBC- Jaxon Robb, Jeremiah Thomas

2nd Team EBC- Gavin Gregory

Hon. Mention EBC- Cooper Anderson, Joey Jackson

OHSBCA All District Team- Jaxon Robb

Northeast Inland District 1st Team- Jaxon Robb
 Northeast Inland District 2nd Team- Jeremiah Thomas
 Northeast Inland District Hon. Mention- Gavin Gregory

Girls Basketball

EBC Coach of the Year: Walt DeShields
 EBC Player of the Year: Sophia Gregory
 1st Team EBC- Sophia Gregory, Livvie Showalter
 2nd Team EBC- Chloe Dennison
 Hon. Mention EBC- Audrey Eaton, Carter Shepherd
 OHSBCA All District Team- Sophia Gregory, Livvie Showalter
 Northeast Inland District 1st Team- Sophia Gregory
 Northeast Inland District 2nd Team- Olivia Showalter
 Northeast Inland District Hon. Mention- Chloe Dennison

Wrestling

2nd Team EBC: Michael Dorris, Gavin Hang, Clayton Day
 Hon. Mention EBC: Kamron Bradt, Drake Coblentz
 EOWL 1st Team: Michael Dorris
 EOWL 2nd Team: Gavin Hang

F. Consent Items

1. 2024-045 Consent Items

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, approve the following items by consent action:

Treasurer's Consent Items

1. Minutes
 1. February 21, 2024 Work Session
 2. February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting
2. Financial Reports
 1. Cash Summary Report February 2024
 2. Cash Reconciliation February 2024
 3. Monthly Investment Statement February 2024
 4. SM2M Report February 2024
 5. Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources as of March 18, 2024
 6. Detailed Check Register February 2024
 7. Appropriations Summary February 2024
 8. Appropriations Resolution as of March 18, 2024
3. Transfer from General Fund (001) to Bond Retirement Fund (002-9002)
 1. \$71,121.65 Interest Payment for Trane Project Bond
4. Accounts Payable
 1. Recommend to pay invoice from Soltis Julian Electric \$3,900
5. Gifts and Donations
 1. Cintas - New AED and Soccer Balls valued at \$3,600
 2. Larissa & Michael Smith - \$500 to Boys and Girls Soccer
 3. K & S Millwrights - \$1,000 to FFA
 4. James & Nicole Stryffeler - \$100 to FFA
 5. Sarchione Garrettsville - \$500 to FFA
 6. McFeely Lawn Care - \$300 to FFA
 7. David & Garnet Yaggi - \$50 to FFA

Superintendent' Consent Items

1. **Personnel**
 1. **Substitutes -- Certificated** (pending certification)
 1. Andrea Miller, effective March 1, 2024
 2. **Substitutes -- Modified Certificated -- \$95 daily rate** (pending certification)

1. Alyssa Barnett

3. **Resignation**

1. Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Celeste Alters as School Counselor effective June 30, 2024.

4. **Athletic Supplementals Resignation**

1. Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Tim Cooper, Assistant Girls' Track Coach effective immediately.

2. Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Chris Dorris, JV Baseball (1/3) effective immediately.

3. Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Maddie Pidgeon as JV Softball coach (1/2 stipend) effective immediately.

5. **Athletic Supplementals** (pending certification and sufficient enrollment)

JV Softball -- Co	Allyson Nittoli
Assistant Girls' Track Coach	Chris Dorris
Baseball Assistant (1/3)	Gino Sabatine
Girls Middle School Track Assistant	Cameron Martig

6. **Volunteers**

1. Recommend approval of the following volunteers for fine arts performances (pending certification):

Courtney Legros	Sheila Herold	Brianne Black
Stacey Aldridge	Molly Daley	Jessica Bloss
Becky Blanchard	Debi Slutz	Abby Booth
Christy Brammer	Katie Brammer	Chris Brown
Christine Brown	Ally Burkey	John Burkey
Stacey Burton	Corey Clay	Scott Close
	Bobbi Hoffmeyer	Stacey Janosik
Stacey Janosik	Erika Knopp	Nikki McDorman
Megan McLaughlin	Jessica Wallace	Anissa Zarbo
Linda McClarren		

7. **Van Drivers**

1. Recommend approval of Amanda Hopkins as a van driver.

2. **Professional Days/Superintendent Assignments**

1. March 2024 List Attached

Motion by Aaron Hawk, second by David Yaggi.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

H. Old Business

1. None

I. New Business

1. **2024-046 NEOLA Policy**

Recommend the Board adopt the following NEOLA policy effective immediately and waive the second reading.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by Bryan Hobbins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

2. **2024-047 Volunteer - Fine Arts Performances**

Recommend approval for Tiffany Hobbins to volunteer with the fine arts performances (pending certification).

Motion by Aaron Hawk, second by Joe Courtwright.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

Abstain: Bryan Hobbins

3. **2024-048 Certification of Rates from County Auditor**

Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Joe Courtwright.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

4. 2024-049 GAAP Compilation

Recommend approval of a contract with the Local Government Services section of the Ohio Auditor of State for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for the statements covering fiscal year 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$9,750.

Motion by David Yaggi, second by Bryan Hobbins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

5. 2024-050 Sedgwick Contract

Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with Sedgwick for Workers Comp and Unemployment Group Rating Program at \$3,000 for the 2025 fiscal year.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

6. 2024-051 Frontline Contract (formerly Forecast 5 Analytics)

Recommend approval of Contract with Frontline Technologies Group LLC (formerly Forecast 5 Analytics) for FY25 at a cost of \$15,759.35.

Motion by David Yaggi, second by Joe Courtwright.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

J. Executive Session

1. 2024-052 Executive Session

Recommend the West Branch Board of Education enter into Executive Session at 6:30 P.M. for the purpose of discussion with regard to:

☒ Employment of a public official

☒ Appointment of a public official

☐ Dismissal of a public official

☐ Discipline of a public official

☐ Promotion of a public official

☐ Demotion of a public official

☐ Compensation of a public official

☐ Investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or student

☐ To confer with an attorney for the board of education concerning disputes involving the board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action

☒ To consider legal matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes

☐ To consider confidential information related to marketing plans, specific business strategy, or production techniques

☐ To consider the purchase of property for public purposes

☐ To consider the sale of property at competitive bidding

_____ To prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment

_____ To conduct negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment

_____ To discuss details relative to security arrangements and emergency response protocols or the board of education

_____ To consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Joe Courtwright.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

K. Adjournment

1. 2024-053 Adjourn

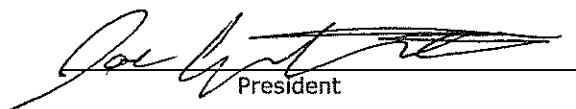
Recommend motion to adjourn at 7:46 P.M.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Aaron Hawk.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

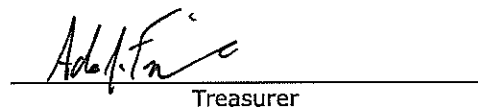
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 P.M.



President

Attest:



Treasurer

6th Grade:

Class Period:	Number of students with Cell phone	TikTok	Instagram	Snap chat	Text	Facebook	Phonecall	Locket	Other (email/Twitter/Games/Photos/G.C./Youtube/Ring)	Total Notifications
1st Class size(23)	12	10	8	40	72	0	2	7	16	155
2nd Class size(6)	1	0	0	5	12	0	0	0	1	18
3rd Class size(11)	10	3	3	0	26	8	5	0	18	63
4th Class size(25)	13	0	1	38	9	0	0	1	43	105
6th Class size(19)	16	15	4	51	105	7	8	6	139	335
8th Class size(18)	9	2	10	15	38	0	4	11	276	356
9th Class size(14)	6	0	1	31	35	5	6	0	943	1,021
10th Class size(18)	12	16	0	20	81	4	1	10	32	164

7th Grade:

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6th Grade:

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1st Class size(23)	12	10	8	40	72	0	2	7	16	155
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4th Class size(25)	13	0	1	38	9	0	0	1	43	105
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7th Grade:

Class Period:		Number of students with Cell phone	TikTok	Instagram	Snap chat	Text	Facebook	Phonecall	BeReal	Other (email/Twitter/Games/Photos/G.C./Youtube/Ring)	Total Notifications
1st	Class size(18)	15	1	2	87	3	6	0	1	16	123
2nd	Class size(13)	9	8	0	30	4	0	1	0	23	66
3rd	Class size(23)	18	9	1	23	0	0	0	0	25	58
4th	Class size(18)	14	2	0	75	25	22	4	0	19	147
5th	Class size(17)	11	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	10	17
6th	Class size(16)	11	0	1	7	2	3	0	0	14	27
9th	Class size(18)	10	10	4	35	82	2	2	1	21	157
10th	Class size(26)	19	2	0	19	16	0	1	5	26	69
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