

## **BOARD ACTION REPORT**

**Corporation Office**

**December 9, 2024**

**6:00 p.m.**

Mr. Hutson called the meeting to order.

-Varsity Girls Basketball Team led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were: Mr. Hargis, Mrs. Hess, Mr. Hutson, Mr. Kinkead, Mr. Mason, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Watson and Dr. Hofer.

-Welcome and Recognition of Visitors:

-Addison Meadows – Student Athlete was recognized.

-Southmont Kitchen were recognized for an A grade on surprise visits.

-Student and Staff were recognized.

Thank you to Cody Hargis for his board dedication.

-Revisions to the Agenda:

-Dana Hunt – Elementary Teacher – New Market – Maternity Leave – March 5, 2025 through May 24, 2025.

Public Comments:

-Ms. Zachary was in attendance to speak about a bullying incident.

-Ms. Wilson was also at the meeting to speak about bullying.

-Mrs. Hammond discussed the new hall pass system.

-Approved Minutes from previous meetings.

-Approved Claims and Payroll Claims.

-Approved the following personnel:

-Dana Hunt – Elementary Teacher – New Market – Maternity Leave – March 5, 2025 through May 24, 2025.

-Leah Sinnet – Part Time Nurse – Ladoga/Walnut Elementaries.

-Chelsea Cagle – Instructional Aide – Walnut Elementary.

-Addison Monroe – Instructional Aide – Transfer from New Market Elementary to Southmont Jr. High School.

-Bobbi Harden – Transfer to Front Office/Clinical Assistant from Instructional Assistant @ Southmont Jr. High School.

-Rachel Rhoads – Instructional Assistant – Southmont Jr. High School.

-Approved resignation of Sophia Sharkey – Instructional Aide – New Market – effective December 20, 2024.

-Beth Binch – Elementary Theater Club – Walnut Elementary - \$1000.00.

-Taylor Myers – Elementary Student Council – Walnut - \$1000.00.

-Aaron Charles – 2024-2025 Corporate Sponsorship stipend - \$2560.00.

-Scott Dove – Varsity Assistant Wrestling Coach – Volunteer.

-Jud VanCleave - Varsity Assistant Wrestling Coach – Volunteer.

-Emily Stewart – Varsity Gymnastics Coach - \$2236.50.

-Maddie Shaver – Varsity Assistant Gymnastics Coach - \$2236.50.

-Emma Bowers – Varsity Assistant Gymnastics Coach – Volunteer.

-FFA Trip to Purdue Beck's Center for Area Crops Contest – April 27, 2025 – May 3, 2025.

-High School Wrestling Team – Calumet HS (Varsity) and LaPorte HS (JV) – Leave December 13, 2024 – return December 14, 2024.

-High School Wrestling Team – Culver Academies – Leave January 24, 2025 – return

January 25, 2025.

-High School Wrestling Team – New Castle IHSA Semi-State – Leave February 14, 2025 – return February 15, 2025.

-Approved Teacher Appreciation Grant stipends for the 2023-2024 school year per approved board policy.

-Approved stipends for Appreciation Grant for those who fall outside of board policy.

Report from Superintendent:

-Dr. Hofer state how she loved the full house.

-Dr. Hofer spoke about Addison Meadows, she is amazing!

-Kitchens all getting A reports on surprise visits.

-Students and Staff – love getting to recognize all the neat people.

-Thanks to Cody for his dedication to the school board.

-Ms. Wilson and Ms. Zachary – We serve all parents and families – I’m here to work with your and take care of things! We appreciate all comments positive & negative, thank you for being here, always stronger and better as a team.

-Ready for Christmas Break.

-Mr. Hutson thanked the crowd for their comments.

-Mr. Mason – The Town of Ladoga grant was met for the Ladoga Playground.

Adjourned.