# MARCH 15, 2018 REGULAR BOARD MEETING WHITE RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

The White River Valley School Board of Trustees met in regular session on March 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at WRV High School Room 110 with seven (7) members present: Mr. David Reed, Mr. Joseph Decker, Mr. Andrew Davis, Mr. Roger Shake, Mr. Jason Davidson, Mr. Brock Hostetter and Mr. Bruce Porter. Also: Dr. Robert Hacker, Mrs. Jill Staggs, Mr. Jimmy Beasley and Ms. LeAnne Kelley.

**ATTENDANCE** 

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Reed.

Mr. Decker made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 6-0-1. Mr. Porter abstained.

ded by Mr. Davis. The motion FEBRUARY MEETING

Mr. Davidson made a motion to approve the Certification of the Executive Session Memorandum for March 15, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 7-0.

CERT of EXEC SESSION MARCH 15, 2018 MEETING

Mr. Porter made a motion to approve the Corporation claims from February 15, 2018 through March 14, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 7-0.

APPROVE CLAIMS

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Ms. Kelley introduced Mr. Hamang, music teacher. Mr. Hamang introduced Olivia Hayes, Clair Hostetter, Ian Staggs and Noah Walton. They received 4 golds and 1 silver at choir contest. Mr. Hamang introduced Alex Wolfe. He received a gold medal for instrumental at contest.

Ms. Kelley introduced Jeremy Golden and A.J. Russell, two machining class students. They talked about the machining class and about the upcoming Car Show, a fund raiser for the machining class.

## A. Stephen Campbell Alumni Banquet Update (Friday, April 6, 2018 6:00PM)

I did want to update the Board on our upcoming Alumni Banquet. All of our alumni award winners have now been notified and are preparing their speeches for our honor speeches. Reservation letters have been passed out to all parents with a reminder to contact Mrs. Emmons to make reservations by April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3PM. We have notified all four of the Alumna of the Year recipients:

L & M: Jeff Oliphant L & M Class of 1985 Switz City Central: Joe Hart Class of 1961 Worthington-Jefferson: Jan Cox Class of 1966 WRV: Shana (Ellis) Goodman Class of 1997

We very much look forward to the evening!! It is open to the public. Please RSVP by April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3PM to Michelle Emmons at 812-659-1424.

#### B. Current Maintenance Projects/Update

Work continues on our agricultural center. With the help of many, we now have the electrical upgrade and the lighting updates. All of the licensure paperwork has been completed and sent to the state for approval. Mr. Zuckschwerdt and his students can now get to welding in the lab. The greenhouse gas

lines have been installed and the blowers connected for exhaust through the roof. I really appreciate the group effort that it has taken to prepare the facility for our students. I also appreciate the Board allowing me to work in conjunction with Mr. Decker and Mr. Reed to get these improvements completed. As we look to the summer, we continue to prepare to add HVAC to both the middle school and the elementary school. We are gathering quotes for that work and will be ready to make a recommendation in April.

The principals have asked me to express their appreciation for the opportunity to spend CPF funds again this summer. Each principal is compiling their lists of needs for me for approval.

#### C. Programs Committee Update

The Programs Committee reconvened yesterday with all three buildings represented. Topics included: the HS scheduling process, the MS High Ability program, the 2018 Summer School proposed program, and the transition program for both 4<sup>th</sup> grade and 8<sup>th</sup> grade in regards to moving to a new building environment next school year.

The committee also heard a presentation from Bridget Nasby from the Youth Services Bureau of Monroe County regarding Project Safe Place. They are a youth services provider that has been in Greene County before and would like to re-introduce their program again. It is a free program that would entail keeping signage up at all three of our buildings with a process for youth to escape to a safe place.

After hearing about the opportunities for services for our kids, the committee asked me to move forward with exploring the process to get WRV involved in this process. Miss Dansby did offer to make a presentation to the Board if this is something we would like to proceed with.

I have done some research today on the program and I believe it to be credible and something that would be good in all three of our district buildings. I am asking permission tonight to move forward, and if the Board desire is to do so, I could have Miss Dansby address the Board in our April meeting.

Mr. Porter made a motion to have Miss Dansby address the Board at the April board meeting about Project Safe Place. The motion was seconded by Mr. Decker. The motion passed 7-0.

PROJECT SAFE PLACE APRIL MEETING

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### A. Administrative Contract Review

All the teachers and non-certified staff have all received raises and/or stipends. Now it's time to address the administrators. I am recommending to add two years and \$2000 to Mrs. Staggs and Mr. Beasley's principal contracts. I am recommending Ms. Kelley and Mr. Greenlee get a \$2000 stipend each. I am also recommending Mrs. Staggs get a \$2000 performance stipend for being the only A school in Greene County and Ms. Kelley get a \$1000 performance stipend for being a B school.

Mr. Davidson made a motion to give Mrs. Staggs and Mr. Beasley a two year extension and add \$2000 each to their salary, give Ms. Kelley and Mr. Greenlee a \$2000 stipend each, give Mrs. Staggs a \$2000 performance stipend and Ms. Kelley a \$1000 performance stipend. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reed. The motion passed 6-1. Mr. Porter voted against.

ADMINISTRATOR RAISES, EXTENSIONS & STIPENDS

#### B. Request to Advertise for 2018 Weed Spraying

It is time for the Board to ask for quotes regarding the 2018 spraying season. The quotes will consist of spraying nuisance weeds at all three locations and the spraying of our athletic fields twice a year for broadleaf and crabgrass. I would ask that quotes be turned into me at Central Office by Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at noon.

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Mr. Shake made a motion to give Dr. Hacker permission to advertise for 2018 weed spraying. The motion was seconded by Mr. Decker. The motion passed 7-0.

PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE WEED SPRAYING

### C. Adding WRV Moratorium Weeks to IHSAA Guidelines

We have had discussions in the past regarding the summer expectations that a variety of coaches have had on our student-athletes during the summer months. Since the IHSAA removed all of the requirements with the exception of one week during early July, students and our coaching staffs have had additional pressure placed on them regarding summer training and expectations. This evening I would like for the Board to consider taking some of that pressure off of our personnel and parents. There comes a time when kids need to have some time to regenerate and families need time to be able to get away from the pressure as well. I am recommending tonight to the Board that we take a stand and give June to our coaches and most of July back to our families. The specific proposal is for our athletic programs to run from the Tuesday after Memorial Day until Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup>. From Sunday, July 1 to Wednesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, our facilities will be closed for athletic purposes by our coaching staffs for their specific sports. I think it is important - and I hope the Board will feel the same way – that kids need some time to be kids. This does not prevent involvement on AAU teams should parents want the extra experiences for their student-athlete. Those AAU teams are not sponsored by our school system, but those teams – if any request – will not be allowed to use our facilities. Our coaches also need time to regenerate.

Mr. Porter made a motion to adopt the Moratorium – athletic facilities shut down Sunday, July 1 to Wednesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shake. The motion passed 7-0.

APPROVE MORATORIUM

#### D. WRV HS and MS Student Handbooks for 2018-19 FIRST READ

Our 2018-19 school year student handbooks have been submitted to the Board for your examination on a first read this evening. You received an electronic copy from each school as part of your board packets this evening. We don't need to take any action on them. I will be asking for approval of them at the April meeting.

Each school had a committee of teachers, administrators and board members to look over the content. Mr. Davis and Mr. Decker represented the Board.

### E. Summer School 2018 Job Postings

It is necessary at this point in the year to begin thinking about our Summer School Programs and Offerings. We have submitted our potential openings to the state DOE for approval. We do need, per our Teacher's Agreement, to post those openings in short order to begin filling them.

At the elementary school, we will need IREAD Remediation. At the middle school, we will need two teachers for remediation – one math, one language arts. At the high school, we are looking at offering opportunities for students in PE, Health, Algebra and English Lab, APEX Credit Recovery and Supervised Agriculture Experience.

All of these positions need to be posted prior to approval at the April or May Board Meetings.

Mr. Decker made a motion to post the following Summer School Positions: ES – IREAD Remediation; MS – 1 Math remediation & 1 Language Arts; HS – PE, Health, Algebra and English Lab, APEX Credit Recovery and Supervised Agriculture Experience. The motion was seconded by Mr. Porter. The motion passed 7-0.

POST SUMMER SCHOOL POSITIONS

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#### PERSONNEL

#### RESIGNATIONS

Mr. Davidson made a motion to accept the resignation of WRVSD Head Nurse, Jamie Kocher. The motion was seconded by Mr. Decker. The motion passed 7-0.

RESIGN – J KOCHER WRVSD HEAD NURSE

#### **FMLA LEAVE REQUEST**

Mr. Decker made a motion to approve FMLA leave for Tasha Angell, WRV HS Special Education Instructional Aide and Candace Clark, WRV HS Athletic Secretary. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shake. The motion passed 7-0.

APPROVE FMLA LEAVE ANGELL & CLARK

#### HIRING/ASSIGNMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Decker made a motion to approve the following coaches: Branden Wilz – WRV Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach; Tim Stephens – WRV Varsity Volunteer Ass't Baseball Coach; David Zorman – WRV Varsity Volunteer Ass't Baseball Coach; John Stone – WRV Varsity Volunteer Ass't Baseball Coach/MS Head Coach. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davidson. The motion passed 7-0.

APPROVED HS BAS-BALL COACHES & MS BASEBALL

Mr. Porter made a motion to waive the public comment policy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis. The motion passed 7-0.

WAIVE PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

Patti Danner – appreciates teachers notifying her about events happening in their classrooms and clubs.

Mr. Decker made a motion to approve an additional agenda item. The motion was seconded by Mr. Porter. The motion passed 7-0.

APPROVE ADD'L AGENDA ITEM

We have received a request from an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student and his parents to transfer to WRV MS for the 4<sup>th</sup> nine weeks. They have taken care of all of the necessary requirement. Mr. Beasley has followed the administrative protocol. It is his – and my – recommendation to receiver this student into the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at WRV MS.

Mr. Porter made a motion to approve the 8<sup>th</sup> grade student transfer for the 4<sup>th</sup> nine weeks. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shake. The motion passed 7-0.

APPROVE 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TRANSFER STUDENT

### **INFORMATION**

Executive Session Thursday, April 19, 2018 6PM WRV Admin Center

Regular Session Thursday, April 19, 2018 7PM WRV Café

Supt Office Hours Monday, April 9, 2018 5-7:30 PM WRV Admin Center

Stephen Campbell Alumni Honor Banquet April 6, 2018 6PM WRV HS

Programs Committee Meet Wednesday, April 11, 2018 5:30-6:30PM WRV Room 110

Snow Make-up Days

SCHOOL IN-SESSION: March 22 and 23

SCHOOL OUT-of-SESSION: April 2, April 3, April 30

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NOTE: We will be clearing the GCSD and State Police to use our building for Training on our specific facility and professional development on dealing with building situations an June 7, 2018. There is no need for board action; I just wanted the Board (and the public) to be aware that we are partnering with local law enforcement agencies.

Also, the Greene County School Safety Commission will be meeting here at WRV on Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 9AM.

Mr. Decker made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Mr. Davidson. The motion passed 7-0.