

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 11, 2019

President Marilee Keim called the meeting to order with all board members except Greg Kitson present.

Visitors were Amy Bertram, Megan Gingerich, Carla Hochstetler, Shanda Branneman, Dawn Ernsberger, Elizabeth A Yoder, Michelle VanderReyden-Yoder, Caryn Howell, and Devon and Diane Miller.

Winter Guard Director Jenny Buckholz. Melissa Shull, Winter Guard students and parents were recognized by the board for their hard work culminating with receiving the State Championship title.

Music Director Ben Kambs, Jacob Zehr, Larry Becker, Fusion students and parents were recognized by the board for their hard work culminating with receiving the State Championship Title.

Sarah Elledge shared with the board from the Music Committee meeting the upcoming fundraisers to be held at the Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School in May.

There will be a Board Work Session on Friday, April 12th at 10a.m. with the University Placement Team “to receive information about and interview prospective employees” IC5-14-1.5-6.1(5) – legal notice published on Monday, April 8th.

Discussion items were shared by Interim Superintendent Bruce Stahly regarding a proposal for a Licensed Classified Contract for Speech Language Pathologists, the justification for the proposal and possible salary schedule; he also shared the proposal for Teacher on Special Assignment for elementary buildings; and the possible addition of a full-time social worker position at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School and Corporation-wide.

Trent Hostetler made and Aaron Rink supported the motion to approve the following:

- a. Minutes of the March 14, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Claims 33243 through 33475 in the amount of \$1,476,574.80; payroll claims in the amount of \$910,525.52.
- c. There are 32 professional leave requests
- d. Approve Resignations
 1. Richard Rossini – English Teacher at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
 2. Elizabeth Gidman – Third grade Teacher at New Paris Elementary School
 3. Elaina Gillin – K-3 Reading Paraprofessional at Millersburg Elementary-Middle School
 4. Katelyn Atkinson – Custodian at New Paris Elementary School
 5. Stacey Parcell – Special Education Teacher at Benton Elementary School
 6. Erin Wikoff – English Teacher at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
 7. Elizabeth A. Yoder – Guidance Counselor at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
 8. Doug Sherman – 2nd Shift Custodian at Benton Elementary School
- e. Approve Employments
 1. Bonnie Gingrich – Guidance Counselor at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
 2. Kayla Jasso – to fill Second Grade Maternity Leave Teacher position at New Paris Elementary School through end of school year
 3. Ryan LeCount – Economics/Government Summer School Teacher at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
 4. Carla Herschberger – Health/APEX Summer School Teacher at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School

5. Candi Tobias – Summer School Paraprofessional at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
6. Michelle Yoder, Kelsey Todt, Elizabeth Yoder – 2018-2019 Guidance Department Co-Coordinator at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
7. Floyd Mast – Substitute Bus Driver
8. Lynette Heath-1st Grade, Brittany Scheetz-1st Grade, Tracy Zook-2nd Grade, Lori Wilson-2nd Grade, and Mary Jo Martin-3rd Grade Summer School Teachers
9. Greta Burtsfield – 2nd Shift Custodian at New Paris Elementary School

The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the professional leaves follows these minutes.

Business Manager Phil Menzie shared with the board a report, compiled by Dr. Philip Downs Superintendent of Southwest Allen Community Schools, regarding State Cost of Vouchers for Fairfield Community Schools.

Assistant Superintendent Monica Kegerreis recommended the board approve the E-Learning support staff recommendation which included three (3) paid time off (PTO) days per calendar year for inclement weather school cancellations. One of these days will be April 19, 2019 with Good Friday an E-Learning Day with two (2) PTO days remaining to be used in the fall of 2019-2020 school year. Trent Hostetler made a motion supported by Aaron Rink and the motion passed unanimously.

Assistant Superintendent Monica Kegerreis reviewed with the board the Annual Performance Report.

Interim Superintendent Bruce Stahly recommended approval for an additional 1st Grade teacher position at Millersburg Elementary-Middle School. Motion made by Sarah Elledge supported by Trent Hostetler passed unanimously.

Interim Superintendent Bruce Stahly recommended approval for three paid student positions at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School for the work-based learning courses. There would be one student manager for the Café and two students for the technology help desk. Motion made by Trent Hostetler supported by Sarah Elledge passed unanimously.

Motion made by Trent Hostetler and supported by Aaron Rink to accept the following donations from:

1. Goshen Hospital in the amount of \$500 for Show Choirs at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
2. Stutsman Dentistry in the amount of \$1,650 for Girls Softball Team coats at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School
3. Kreuter Engineering Co., Inc. in the amount of \$1,000 for a new RC Airplane Club at Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Trent Hostetler was supported by Sarah Elledge to approve the out-of-state field trip for Fairfield Jr.-Sr. High School's Summer Germany travelers to and from Detroit Metropolitan Airport, Detroit, MI on June 4, 2019 to take students to the airport and on June 27, 2019 to pick-up students to bring home from the airport. The motion passed unanimously.

Interim Superintendent Bruce Stahly recommended the board approve the NIESC Shared Dietitian Consortium Services Contract in the amount of \$3,500 with Kaylyn MacKillop. This will be paid out of the School Lunch Fund. Sarah Elledge made a motion supported by Aaron Rink to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Interim Superintendent Bruce Stahly stated to let the minutes reflect the notice of Fairfield's Wellness Policy is on our website.

Board Member Trent Hostetler announced the executive session that was scheduled to follow tonight's board meeting has been cancelled.

Extra-curricular contracts were signed for Connor Bontrager, Jade Bobeck, Mackenzie Bobeck, Ryan Lewis, Jason Skibbe and Crystal Weatheron.

Upon proper motion and second the meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

President

Vice President

Secretary

Member

Member