

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called a Regular Session to order at 7:34 pm. The meeting was held at Knightstown High School located at 8149 W. US 40, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

Attendance:

- **Board Members:** Wade Beatty, Steve Dalton, Mark Fort, Leah Kopp, Kevin Knott, Melissa Toth, Timothy Wehr
- **Central Office Staff:** Gary Storie, Superintendent; Phyllis Haines, Payroll/Benefits Coordinator; Carol Robertson, Central Office Assistant
- **Administrators:** Scott Ritchie, Jediah Behny, Christopher Bundy, Jane Rodgers, Jennifer Jacoby
- **Media:** Knightstown Banner, New Castle Courier Times
- **Patrons:** Approximately 17 patrons

I. Call to Order

The Board President called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm. All members were present. The Pledge to the American Flag and a moment of silence was observed.

II. Minutes

The minutes from October 19, 2011 were previously submitted for board approval. Leah Kopp moved to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Kevin Knott. With no corrections noted, motion carried 7-0.

III. Claims

Steve Dalton gave a financial report and then moved to accept the claims as previously submitted. Timothy Wehr gave the second and the motion carried 7-0.

IV. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

V. Old Business

- 2012-2013 Balanced Calendar – The Superintendent stated explained the differences in a balanced calendar compared to what we currently observe. He also stated this was comparable to the calendar adopted by New Castle Community School Corporation with a few exceptions. There were some questions regarding how this would affect our students attending New Castle for various opportunities. The board agreed to make a final determination at the regular session in December.

VI. New Business

- Policy Updates – There was much discussion regarding Policy #7540.03 Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use and Safety. Discussion revolved mainly around the “Facebook” site and access of social media sites during school hours. A member of

the policy committee asked the board to carefully review this policy and return to the table with suggestions.

- Technology Report – The Technology Director gave a presentation on current projects and needs in the Technology Department. There was some discussion between the board and the Technology Director.
- Health Services, Administrative Contracts, 21st Century Scholars – The Superintendent recommended tabling discussion and action on these items. The Board President asked how the Board wanted to proceed with these items. A recommendation to hold an Executive Session on November 30, 2011 to discuss Health Services and Administrative Contracts. Timothy Wehr moved to table these items until next regular session with a second by Mark Fort. With no discussion, motion carried 7-0.
- Fuel Bids – The Superintendent requested permission to advertise for fuel bids. Timothy Wehr moved to approve the advertisement to receive bids with a second from Mark Fort. With no discussion, motion carried 7-0.
- Leah Kopp moved to hold the December Regular Session on Thursday, December 15, 2011 instead of the scheduled time of December 21. Melissa Toth gave the second to move the meeting from December 21, 2011 to December 15, 2011. Motion carried 7-0.

VII. Personnel –

- Intent to Retire: A letter was received from Gary Storie, Superintendent of his intent to retire on April 30, 2012.
- Resignations: Diana Schombert, Knightstown Elementary Special Education Aide.
- Employment: Anita Williams, Knightstown Intermediate Guidance Secretary; David Adams, Randy Gross, and Brandon Grubbs as Substitute Bus Drivers
- ECA: There were no ECA appointments
Melissa Toth moved to approve all personnel recommendation as presented. Timothy Wehr gave the second. Kevin Knott wished the Superintendent well on his retirement. With no other discussion, motion carried 7-0.

VIII. Superintendent Report –

- Financials – provided in each board members binder. There was some discussion.
- ISBA Opportunities – Each member asked to call central office if interested in attending any of the upcoming workshops.

IX. Other

- FFA Field Trip – The Superintendent requested approval for the FFA trip to Louisville, KY. Melissa Toth moved to approve with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

X. Public Expression

- There were no public comments.

XI. Board Comments

- Mark Fort stated he did not receive a board packet this month.
- There was much discussion regarding the records request received from the Banner requesting e-mails. Timothy Wehr moved to give the Banner screen shots of the requested e-mails. Steve Dalton gave the second. Motion carried 5-1-1 with Leah Kopp casting the negative vote and Melissa Toth abstaining because she felt she did not have enough information on requests received from the Banner or the Public Access Counselor’s response.

XII. Adjournment

With no further business Mark Fort moved to adjourn at 9:21 pm.

PRESIDENT

MEMBER

VICE PRESIDENT

MEMBER

SECRETARY

MEMBER

MEMBER