

March 18, 2014  
Regular Session  
Board Meeting

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called a Regular Session to order at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held at Kennard Elementary School located at 232 N. Vine Street, Kennard, IN 47351. Those in attendance were:

**Attendance:**

- **Board Members:** Wade Beatty, Kevin Knott, Gerald Leonard, Don Scheumann, Tom Schaetzle, John Swartz and Michelle White
- **Central Office Staff:** Joe Backmeyer, Interim Superintendent, Carol Robertson, Central Office Assistant
- **Administrators:** Jed Behny, Danielle Carmichael, Scott Ritchie, and Mark Luzadder
- **Media:** Knightstown Banner, The Courier Times
- **Patrons:** Approximately 14 patrons

**OPENING OF PUBLIC MEETING**

1.01 – Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence

1.02 - Call to Order/Roll Call

The Board President called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call was taken and it was noted that everyone was present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

2.01 Adoption of Agenda for the March 18, 2014 Regular Meeting

Wade Beatty presented the agenda for the March 18, 2014 meeting. Michelle White motioned to approve the agenda and Kevin Knott seconded the motion. The motion carried 7 to 0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3.01 Approval of Minutes from Feb. 18, 2013 Regular Session and Mar. 4, 2014 Special Session.

Gerald Leonard moved to approve the minutes from the Feb. 18, 2014 Regular Session and the March 4, 2014 Special Session. Michelle White gave the second. Motion carried 6 to 0 with John Swartz abstaining.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS**

4.01 Newsletters

Joe Backmeyer reported that the newsletters from the FFA, Carthage Clippings and an update from Knightstown Intermediate School were very well prepared and thanked the individuals for keeping us nicely informed. He also recognized the KHS Speech Contest Participants. He reported that the Indiana Department of Education had conducted a nutritional review of Kennard Elementary's cafeteria. He said that the evaluation was excellent. He reported that our lunch prices need to be reviewed and several new nutritional guidelines are being put in effect for next year. He feels

confident that Jody McMahel, our Food Service Director, is well out ahead of the curve with the new guidelines. Also, he said that due to our percentage of free and reduced students, we are going to qualify to offer a summer food program to our students and communities. He will have more information on this to come. Next, he reported that our bus inspections will begin April 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM. Scott Ritchie recognized Rachel Shepherd, KHS teacher, for her work with the Mass Media Class as the advisor. (yearbook advisor) She is doing an excellent job and has sold many more year books because of her effort.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.01 Approval of Bills for March 18, 2014
- 5.02 Approval of Financial Reports for the Time Period Ending February 28, 2014
- 5.03 Approval of Personnel Report for March 18, 2014
- 5.04 Field Trip – FFA/Purdue University/State Livestock Career Development/Overnight
- 5.05 Field Trip – FFA/Purdue University/State FFA Convention/Overnight

Wade Beatty read the claims and financial reports.

Joe Backmeyer read the personnel report.

Wade Beatty reports about the 2 FFA Field Trips to Purdue.

Kevin Knott motions to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. John Swartz seconds the motion. The motion carries 7-0.

#### OLD BUSINESS- ACTION ITEMS

- 6.01 Kevin Knott asked Joe Backmeyer about the offer for teachers to retire. Joe replies that the offer ended last Friday at 4:00 PM and we have 2 teachers retiring.

#### NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION

7.01

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- 8.01 CAB Technology Plan
- 8.02 NSBA Advocacy Initiative
- 8.03 Notice to Bidders

Joe Backmeyer reports on the CAB Technology Plan that Brian Woods and Jediah Behny have been working on, which is a requirement with the department of education for a 3 year plan. There was discussion about the 3 year plan with Mr. Behny answering the questions.

Tom Schaeztle motioned to adopt the 3 Year Technology Plan as presented. Michelle White seconds the motion and the motion carries 7 -0.

Wade reports that the Athletic Director has asked to take bids for the Pole Vault Pit with Cover and Stands for the pole. There is discussion about how the bids are taken and how much the cost is for advertising. Tom Schaeztle motions to publish the Notice to Bidders. Gerald Leonard seconds the motion and the motion carries 7-0. The bids will be taken until April 15 at 4:00 PM.

Don Scheumann asked if we should act on the NSBA Advocacy Initiative. Wade Beatty reports on the NSBA Advocate. This school board member will need to be appointed in May. The

advocate will be similar to the appointment of the State Legislative Liaison to the school board only on the federal level. The decision was made to appoint the advocate from the school board at the May meeting.

#### HEARING OF VISITORS

##### 9.01 Opportunity for Public to Speak

There was no one who wanted to speak.

#### BOARD REPORTS/REQUEST

10.01 Gerald Leonard thanked Marty Allen and Dee Scheumann for their years of dedication and the great job in teaching our students at CAB. They will be greatly missed and he hopes they enjoy their retirement.

Kevin Knott also congratulates Marty and Dee on the next step in their lives. Kudos to both ladies on their years of service in public education and the many students' lives they have touched.

John Swartz congratulates Mr. Behny on his twin girls and comments about the speech contest. He said 13 kids competed with 4 students from Knightstown.

Don Scheumann shared good news about a business person from Broad Ripple who made the comment on the awesome radio station from Knightstown.

Michelle White wanted to know what the calendar was for the Superintendent search. Wade Beatty at this point asked everyone to get out their calendars out to get together times. After discussion of times, it was agreed that Tuesday, April 8 would work for an executive session at Central Office at 6:00 PM for going through the Superintendent applications.

Michelle White also wanted to comment on the KIS Biztown Interviews. She wanted to give credit on the great job the students did when she participated in the interviews. She said the students were very well prepared and she really enjoyed the interviews.

Gerald Leonard also wanted to say thank you to Mark Luzadder and Karen Gardner for stepping up with the administrative responsibilities at Knightstown Intermediate School.

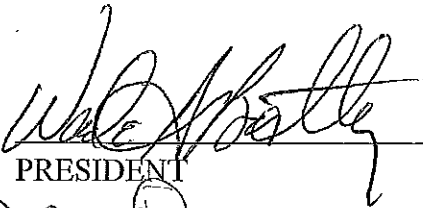
Tom Schaeztle thanked Mr. Ritchie for working with his son on his trip to Europe to train with a soccer club.

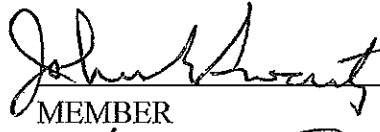
Wade Beatty commented about the state wide competition with the radio station students. Wade thanked Mike York for his work with the students and his excellent program. There was discussion about the radio station broadcast.


#### ADJOURNMENT

##### 17.01 Adjournment of Meeting

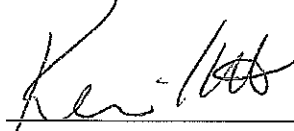
With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Beatty adjourned at 7:41 p.m. and reminded everyone that the next meeting would be back at Knightstown High School.

  
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VICE PRESIDENT

  
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Michelle  
White  
Absent