

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 Knightstown High School located at 8149 W. US 40, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

Attendance:

- **Board Members:** Wade Beatty, Kevin Knott, Gerald Leonard, Don Scheumann, John Swartz and Steve Ferrell
- **Central Office Staff:** Jediah Behny, Superintendent, Brian Woods, Technology Director Stephanie Madison, Corp. Treasurer and Carol Robertson, Central Office Assistant
- **Administrators:** Danielle Carmichael, Scott Ritchie and Chad Gray
- **Media:** Knightstown Banner, Courier Times
- **Patrons:** Approximately 23 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 Tom Schaetzle was not present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2.01 Adoption of Agenda for the Nov. 18, 2014 Regular Session Meeting

John Swartz made the motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Gerald Leonard seconded the motion. The motion carried 6 to 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.01 Approval of Minutes from Oct. 21, 2014 Regular Session Board Meeting

Kevin Knott motioned to accept the Oct. 21, 2014 Regular Session Board Meeting minutes. John Swartz seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

4.01 Principal Recognitions

Scott Ritchie, Principal at KHS recognized the KHS Cheerleaders for their amazing win at the State Competition over the past weekend. He also thanked Jana Burton for her years of being

Cheerleader Coach. Jana Burton introduced her cheerleading squad by grade level and told of their accomplishments. There will be 5 senior girls leaving the squad this year. This is also Jana's last year to coach. There was a big round of applause for the KHS Cheerleaders and their coach.

Next, Danielle Carmichael, Principal at KES recognized Jennifer Veach. Jennifer is a second grade teacher at KES who goes the extra mile to help out. Danielle noted that Jennifer steps up and volunteers for many things in her building. She organized the Read Across America Week Program and donates her time to organize the tutoring program at KES. She is very much appreciated by her Principal, Mrs. Carmichael.

4.02 Newsletters

Mr. Behny reported on the newsletters from KES, KIS and KHS.

4.03 School Letter Grades

Danielle Carmichael started with a power point presentation on Kennard, Carthage and Knightstown Elementary for last year's Accountability Report. Kennard received an overall grade of B. Carthage Elementary received an A grade. Knightstown Elementary received an A grade. She commented that it would be interesting this year with all the changes in the elementary with only one grade level being tested. Mr. Behny commented that these letter grades are actually considered closed because there is a new set of standards, a new assessment, and new configuration of buildings, which will make it difficult to draw comparisons for next year at the Elementary level.

Next, Chad Gray presented the Intermediate Schools grades. They received an overall D grade on the Accountability Report. Mr. Behny pointed out that the educators had received achievement data last May and that changes began at the beginning of this year. Mr. Gray discussed what is being done to improve student grades for this school year. He is excited about how the teachers have started working towards the improvements. There was much discussion with Kevin Knott about the spreadsheet that shows student's growth. Several other Board Members had questions for Mr. Gray.

Finally, Scott Ritchie presented the Knightstown High School letter grade of an A. He discussed his spreadsheet which showed a 4.0 overall grade. He also had information on a comparison of the surrounding school averages. Knightstown students were the highest of the surrounding schools. He is very please with his teachers' efforts and the progress of his students. There was much discussion with the board members.

4.04 Facilities Report

CES and KEN –

Mr. Behny reported on the work being done for appraisals and quotes for Kennard and Carthage Elementary. He hopes to have finalized information for the board by the next board meeting with the auction of equipment at CES to take place mid to late January. He reports on the second break-in at KEN and the issue of the fire alarm going off at CES during routine maintenance. He publicly thanked the emergency responders in these situations.

KHS-

Mr. Behny reported on the process to get sidewalks replaced at KHS. He hopes to start the work as soon as the weather clears in the spring. He will have more information on this project soon.

IDHS Grant Status-

Mr. Behny reported on the Department of Homeland Security Grant phase 2 which is scheduled to begin in December and finished up by the end of March. This consists of card access entry systems and video monitoring for all 3 buildings.

4.05 FFA Field Trip Report

FFA Chapter President Jessica Stoten and Vice President Devin Hamilton reported on the FFA National Convention that they attended in Louisville, KY. They obviously enjoyed the festivities. Wade Beatty commented on the well-behaved FFA members who attended. Devin and Jessica thanked Mrs. Arellano for all her efforts, Mr. Ritchie for his support of the FFA, and Wade Beatty for driving the bus to shuttle them. They also thanked Mrs. Grant and Jerry Erwin for their support and help.

4.06 Technology Report

Brian Woods, Technology Director, gave a report on the state of the technology of CAB. He addressed where he wanted to take the corporation in the future. He talked about Windows 7, Memory for Labs, (ISTEP+, Assessments, & Tests), Additional Labs, Homeland Security Grant, (Card Access, and Cameras,) Network Infrastructure and Hardware, Teacher Computers, and Student Computers. He would like to see the corporation get a generator for KHS. This would be needed in case of any emergency to help with the community and keeping WKPW on air. Brian is on top of a large number of projects. He gave a special thanks to Debi King for her help in the move of buildings and state reporting.

4.07 Superintendent's Corner

Mr. Behny reported on the weekly radio show he has started called Superintendent's Corner. It is recorded at WKPW on Friday mornings and airs Saturday mornings at 8:00 AM; also a podcast is on the CAB website. Mr. Behny thanked Mike York and Tristian Holzhausen of WKPW for their time and help with the broadcast.

CONSENT AGENDA

5.01 Approval of Bills for Nov. 18, 2014

5.02 Approval of Financial Reports for the Time Period Ending Oct. 31, 2014.

Mrs. Madison reported on the claims and financial reports. There was a discussion of the general fund year end by the board members. Kevin Knott motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Claims Report as presented. Steve Ferrell seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS

6.01 2nd Reading of Neola Policies

Wade Beatty presented Neola Policies 1537, 2270, 5410, 5517.01, 6110, 6320, 8390, 8750, and 9160 to the board for the second reading and approval. These policies are for Military Service, Religion in the Curriculum, Promotion, Placement, and Retention, Bullying, Grant Funds, Purchasing, Animals on School Corporation Property, Defense and Indemnification of Board Members and Employees, and Public Attendance at School Events. After reviewing the policies again, Don Scheumann motioned to accept the 2nd Reading of Neola Policies 1537, 2270, 5410, 5517.01, 6110, 6320, 8390, 8750, and 9160. Gerald Leonard seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.01 School Donations

Mr. Behny reported on the donations from the Alumni Association for a yearbook camera, TV and projector for cafeteria seating area, also a check from Jeffrey Lynch for help on the TV and projector at KHS. Wade Beatty motioned to accept the donations from the Knightstown Alumni and Mr. Jeffrey Lynch for the camera, TVs, and projector. Don Scheumann seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0.

7.02 1st Reading of Neola Polices

Wade Beatty presented Neola Polices 1630.01, 3430.01, 4430.01 for first reading. These policies are pertaining to administration, professional staff and support staff. There was some discussion on policies. Don Scheumann motioned to accept the first reading of these policies. Steve Ferrell seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

8.01 Approval of the Personnel Report for Oct. 21, 2014.

Mr. Behny read the Personnel Report. Gerald Leonard motioned to accept the Personnel Report as presented. John Swartz seconded the Personnel Report and the motion carried 6-0.

8.02 Rainy Day Resolution

Wade Beatty reported on the Rainy Day Fund usage to replace a boiler at KHS last year which pulled the account balance down. He reports that Stephanie Madison has drawn up a resolution to replace funds in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to the Rainy Day Fund out of the Transportation Funds. Wade Beatty put the motion on the table for the board to discuss the Resolution with a second by Gerald Leonard. There was a discussion on replenishing the Rainy Day Fund with extra funds from the Transportation Fund. Stephanie Madison commented that Russ Spiker has done an excellent job managing the Transportation fund. The motion carried 6-0.

HEARING OF VISITORS

9.01 Opportunity for the Public to Speak

There was no one from the public to speak.

BOARD REPORTS/REQUEST

10.01 Don Scheumann commented on several newspaper articles. He discussed vocational education funding issues and private school vouchers that were given out of public school money. He is very pleased with how things are going financially with our corporation. He says we all need to get a hold of our legislators to voice concern about public education funding.

John Swartz commented on going to KES to read to the children. He said that he and his wife Sandy had a lot of fun while at KES and appreciated the invitation.

Wade Beatty talked about spending 3 days with the FFA at Louisville Kentucky. The students of our school represented Knightstown very well. He was extremely proud of our FFA.

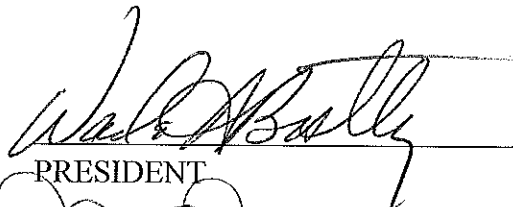
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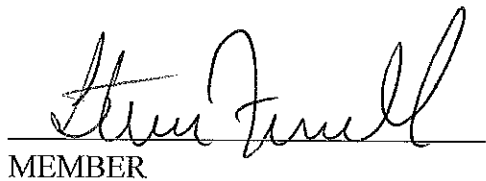
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12.01 Adjournment of Meeting

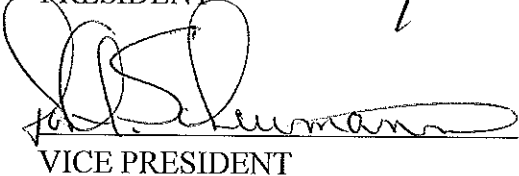
Wade Beatty adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.



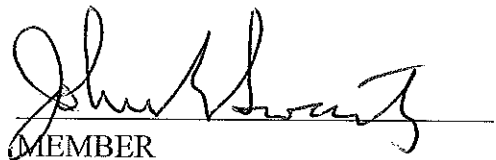
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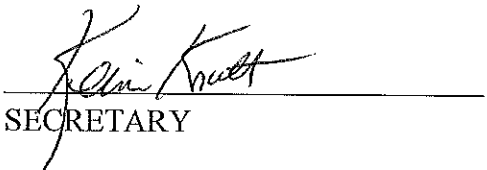
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