

Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees
Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2015
Regular Session at 7:00 pm

Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees Regular Session,
Knightstown High School Media Center, 8139 W. US 40, Knightstown, IN 46148

Attendance:

- **Board Members:** Wade Beatty, Gerald Leonard, Don Scheumann, Tom Schaetzle, and Steve Ferrell
- **Central Office Staff:** Jediah Behny, Superintendent, Stephanie Madison, Corp. Treasurer, and Carol Robertson, Central Office Assistant
- **Administrators:** Steve Wherry
- **Attorney:** Amy Mathews
- **Media:** Courier Times and Knightstown Banner
- **Patrons:** Approximately 13 patrons

1. Opening of Public Meeting

1.01 Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

1.02 Call to Order/Roll Call

Wade Beatty called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Roll call was taken and it was noted that Cynthia Neal and John Swartz were not present.

2. Adoption of Agenda

2.01 Adoption of Agenda for the September 15, 2015 Regular Meeting

Tom Schaetzle motioned to accept the agenda as presented for the Sept. 15, 2015 meeting. Don Scheumann seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.01 Approval of Minutes from August 18, 2015 Regular Meeting

Gerald Leonard motioned to accept the minutes as presented for the Aug. 18th, 2015 board meeting. Don Scheumann seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

4. Superintendent's Reports

4.01 Building Update

KHS: Mr. Behny reported that because of the age of KHS there has been extra maintenance expenditures. He states the first round of improvements are needed because of the lack of preventative maintenance during leaner financial times. One issue is the flushing of the HVAC system. Previously Rainy Day Funds have been approved for this project. Cost will be in the range of \$10,000 – \$11,000 to do this job properly. The parking lot at KHS has been lined & repainted. Also, 3 document cameras have been installed in almost every classroom.

KIS: Their parking lots have been lined and they are having some HVAC issues. This is the first HVAC issue since the remediation plan.

KES: Their parking lots have also been lined and the promethium boards have all been installed. Every single classroom has a promethium board.

4.02 Student Count/ ADM

Mr. Behny reported that this Friday Sept. 18th will be our first of two count days. He stated that the initial thought was a drop of 30-40 students. But after several weeks of increasing enrollment our ADM today would be 1164. This year kindergarten students count as 1 whole instead of ½. This would be a drop of 25 students from last year's count.

4.03 Work KEYs Assessment

Mr. Behny thanked Penny York and Cory Murphy for their help. He stated that KHS will support this initiative through ensuring that all students are aware of this opportunity through WORK ONE. He also stated that KHS is working to secure funding for the assessment for students that will be the greatest benefit. The final determination as to the number of students assessed will depend on funding for the assessment.

4.04 Recognition

The first recognition of the night was for Carolyn Shryock, KES Kindergarten teacher, who is one of 10 teachers in the running for Indiana Teacher of the Year. The announcement should be made early October.

Next, Stephanie Madison, CAB MSC treasurer, was recognized for her accomplishment of certification for the Indiana Association of School Business Officials. Mr. Behny stated that in the months to come he would like to promote Mrs. Madison to the Business Office Specialist.

The final recognition was for Hope Johnson, a senior at KHS. She is a finalist for the National Merit Scholarship. The scholarship is based on the finalist's PSAT score.

5. Consent Agenda

5.01 Approval of Bills for September 15, 2015

5.02 Approval of Financial Reports for the Time Period Ending August 31, 2015
Stephanie Madison read the claims to be approved. There are copies of the other financial reports in the board packet.

5.03 Overnight Field Trip/ FFA National Convention/ Louisville, KY

Wade Beatty reported on the FFA National Convention to be held in Louisville.

Don Scheumann motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Steve Ferrell seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

6. Old Business – Action Items

6.01 Board Policies – 2nd Reading

Mr. Behny reported on the second Reading of Board Policies 2410, 2461, and 5540. Policy 2410 is on Audio, Video, and Digital Recording of Meetings. 2461 is on Recording IEP Team Meetings and Case Conferences. 5540 is on the Schools and Governmental Agencies. The options were discussed and agreed that option one on all policies was the one they would approve. Gerald Leonard motion to approve Board Policies 2410, 2461, and 5540 with the option 1 agreed upon. Tom Schaetzle seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

7. New Business – Discussion Items

7.01 Board Policies – 1st Reading

Mr. Behny reported on the 1st Reading of the Wellness Policy 8510. He stated that Jody McMahel and Tracy Smith had been working together to draft this policy and it had been sent to the state. The state had then returned the policy corrected to their rubric. There was discussion by the board. Gerald Leonard motioned to approve the first reading of the Wellness Policy, 8510. Tom Schaetzle seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

8. New Business – Action Items

8.01 Approval of the Personnel Report for September 15, 2015

Mr. Behny read the Personnel Report. Don Scheumann motioned to accept the personnel report. Steve Ferrell seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

8.02 2016 KHS Graduation Date

Mr. Behny presented the proposed graduation date to the board of June 5th, 2016 @ 2:00 PM. Tom Schaetzle motioned to accept the graduation date. Gerald Leonard seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

8.03 Property Bids

Mr. Behny read the 7 bids that the corporation had received for the properties for sale. 6 bids are for Kennard with 1 for Carthage. The bids are as follows:

Bid #1: Pegasus Development LLC for all of Kennard Elementary for \$50,000

Bid #2: P and J Penticcuff for Kennard Tract #2 (Tillable Land) for \$17,950.00

Bid #3: P and J Penticcuff for Kennard Tract #3 (Front Lot) for \$5,260.00

Bid #4: J. and J. Linder for Kennard Tract #2 (Tillable Land) for \$35,555.00

Bid #5: Town of Kennard for Kennard Tract #3 (Front Lot) for \$5,001.00

Bid #6: K. and L. Freeman for Kennard Tract #2 (Tillable Land) for \$23,450.00

Bid #7: Carthage Community Church for all of Carthage Elementary for \$14,000.00

Wade Beatty starts the discussion by stating that the Pegasus Development LLC has the top bid for Kennard. He continues with the obligation the school board has to the communities. George King, from the Pegasus Development LLC spoke to the board about their plans for Kennard Elementary. He reported that they intend to make a senior living complex along with developing the grounds for families of the senior citizens to enjoy. They would like to have 10, possibly 12 senior apartments. There was a discussion among the board members and George King. Steve Ferrell motioned to accept the Pegasus Development's bid for Kennard Elementary at \$50,000. Don Scheumann seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

Wade Beatty states the same concerns for the Carthage community that he did for Kennard. Dennis Muncy spoke for the Carthage Community Church on what their plans are for Carthage Elementary. They are currently holding their church in the bank at Carthage. They have a congregation of 80 or 90 people and would like a bigger facility for their church. He stated that they would make good use of the school with plans of a possible preschool, food & clothing pantry, and other ways of community involvement. Don Scheumann discusses the advantages of having the Carthage Community Church purchase Carthage Elementary. Several other board members commented on the bid. Don Scheumann motions to accept the bid of \$14,000 from the Carthage Community Church for Carthage Elementary. Steve Ferrell seconds the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

8.04 2015-2016 – Master Contract

Mr. Behny reports on the 2015-2016 Master Contract between CAB MSC and the CTA. He thanks the Classroom Teachers Association for the last 2 years of a very open and collaborative negotiations process. They have reached a tentative agreement that continues with the compensation plan which makes the next step up to the salary plan. Some key changes include an adjustment to the ECA schedule, and 4 new Elementary Clubs to be created. Possibly Lego Robotics, a Computer Coding Club and a Spanish Club. Other language changes are in bereavement leave and the hiring process for teachers. Bereavement has been generalized to not govern how or whom people grieve. The hiring process for teachers balances treating existing teachers fairly along with hiring the best available new teachers. Don Scheumann motions to accept the 2015-2016 Master Contract. Tom Schaeztle seconds the motion and the motion carries 5-0.

9. Other Business

9.01 There was no other business brought to the board.

10. Hearing of Visitors

10.01 There wasn't anyone to speak at this time.

11. Board Reports/Request

11.01 Don Scheumann commented on Julie Russell's resignation letter and the need she brought up at KES for a full time social worker.

Jed Behny stated that the position has been posted and it is a complex process working with New Castle Special Ed. He is looking into the position, but so far there hasn't been many applications for the position. Gerald Leonard spoke about

selling Kennard and Carthage, along with congratulating Carolyn Shryock, Stephanie Madison and Hope Johnson on their accomplishments. Steve Ferrell agreed that good things are happening with our corporation and was pleased with the sale of the properties. Tom Schaetzle agreed with what Gerald said and believes it is a good use of the properties. He also thanked all those involved with the Master Contract agreement. Wade Beatty also thanked people working with the Contract and agreed that the sale of the buildings worked out good for the communities and the corporation. Many thanks were given.

12. Announcements

12.01 2015 ISBA Fall Region Meeting

12.02 October 6th / Budget Hearing

Wade Beatty reported on the ISBA Fall Regional Meeting coming up this month and also the Budget Hearing scheduled for Oct. 6th here at the KHS Media Centre @ 7:00 PM.

13. Adjournment

13.01 Adjournment of Meeting

Wade Beatty adjourned the meeting at 8:27 PM.

W. A. Betty
PRESIDENT

Steve Trull
MEMBER

Paul Schuman
VICE PRESIDENT

MEMBER

John Bryant
Gerald W. Leonard
SECRETARY

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* Cynthia Neal - not present @ 9/15/15 mtg.

* Tom Schaeetzle - not present @ 10/20/15 mtg