

Board Meeting
February 20, 2007

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called their meeting to order at 7:31 pm. The meeting was held at Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation located at 345 North Adams Street, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

- Board Members: Wade Beatty; Debi Ware; Kevin Knott; Larry Selvidge; Ron Womack; Michael Fruth
- Office Staff: Superintendent Dave McGuire, Business Manager David Bundy, Administrative Assistant Jena Schmidt, Treasurer Judy Barnes
- Knightstown High School student: Dakota James
- Kennard Elementary Principal, Shirley Heck
- Parents and Students from Kennard Elementary School
- CTA President: Tom Crawford
- Media: Jeff Eakins
- Former Board Members: Gerald Leonard
- Approximately eight patrons

I. Organization of the Meeting

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Pledge & Moment of Silence

The first order of business was the appointment of a School Board Member to replace David Bundy who resigned effective February 8, 2007. Four candidates were interviewed during public meeting held February 19, 2007. Kevin Knott on behalf of the board expressed appreciation to all four candidates. Kevin Knott then motioned to appoint Leah Kopp as School Board Member replacing David Bundy. Ron Womack made the second. Motion carried 6-0. Jena Schmidt, Notary Public, swore in the newest Board Member and Mrs. Kopp was seated. The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Board of Trustees now has a full Board.

D. Board communications

Dr. McGuire informed the Board of upcoming ISBA Bargaining Seminar and also Legislative Update to be held on March 14, 2007.

The School Board appointed Leah Kopp to the Vocational Board.

The alternate for Finance Committee will be Larry Selvidge

E. High School Report

Dakota James, Student Council President, gave an update of activities at the High School. Girls Basketball was Sectional Runners-Up. Boys Basketball Sectional will be in two weeks. FFA week is currently happening. Dance Team is competing well. Blood

Drive occurred during a 2-hour delay. Track conditioning to begin soon. Academic Team will compete tomorrow. Drama Club will be attending a performance at Beef and Boards. On Thursday, seniors will travel to IRT and the History Club will travel to Springfield, IL in March to visit various Abraham Lincoln sights.

II. School Improvement Update

Mrs. Shirley Heck introduced a Reading program entitled the Chocolate Challenge. It is a yearly game with rewards throughout the year. They will have two Fun Nights and one Fun Afternoon. Parents and students then gave a presentation on various aspects of the program.

Writing Program – Annie Moore and Angela Moore, parent

Free Book – Isaiah & Clementina Mitchell and Becky Mitchell, parent

Chocolate – Spencer, Ethan, Sadie Rogers and Julie & Roger Roberts, parents

III. Recognition

Public Recognition

- Thank you to recognize those interested in school board vacancy.
- Congratulations to Jennifer Wilfong who is on the Silver Anniversary team being recognized by the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame

Student Recognition

- Congratulations to Logan Cox and Kathleen Weiland on receiving the DAR Good Citizenship award.
- Congratulations to Freshman Basketball Team and coach, Darren Haines for undefeated conference champs.

Staff Recognition

- Recognition of Jane Selvidge, Frances Oakes, and Diana Schombert for going above and beyond in their duties.

IV. Consent Agenda Items

A. Minutes

Wade Beatty motioned to accept the minutes of January 16, 2007, January 22, 2007 and January 23, 2007 as previously submitted. Debi Ware made the second and motion carried 7-0.

B. Claims

Debi Ware motioned to accept the claims as previously submitted. Wade Beatty made the second and motion carried 7-0.

C. Personnel

Larry Selvidge motioned to accept the following Personnel items:

- Contract Extension for David Bradford
- Therese Hibbert from temporary to Full-Time KHS Treasurer
- Resignation of Brenda Reece as KES Secretary-Treasurer
- Temporary Assignment of Daphne Thackery to cover Maternity Leave at Carthage and KES from January 29, 2007 to April 27, 2007.

- Mike Wyatt and Tracy Miller as volunteers with the boy's varsity gold and junior high program, respectively
- Kelton Silver as a volunteer assistant varsity softball coach
- Resignation of Matt Shafer as boys Varsity Assistant Varsity Basketball coach.

Kevin Knott made the second and motion carried 7-0.

V. Reports of Superintendent and Business Manager

Dr. McGuire explained the AYP – Preliminary Report. All schools made AYP at the school level, on the corporation level, KHS did not pass in the special education sub category.

Report from Health Clinic from KES & KIS, reports attached. Sometime in the future we will need a nurse at every school due to increasing office visits. There were some questions and comments from board members. Leah Kopp informed the Board that our Health staff is doing a wonderful job!

Dr. McGuire thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend IAPSS Annual Superintendent's Meeting. The School Board thanked him for the information received regarding this conference. It was mentioned that the information provided was well worth reading.

VI. Unfinished Business

There was none to come before the board.

VII. New Business

Farm Ground Bids were opened at noon during the Finance Committee. Debi Ware, Finance Committee Member, read the bids that were received and made a motion to accept Wooldridge Farms bid for Site #1 and Site #2. Larry Selvidge made the second, with no discussion, motion carried 7-0.

Dr. McGuire presented a Resolution to remove Amanda Harvey Zurwell and Judy Barnes from the authorized signatures and to authorize David Bundy to sign checks on behalf of the school corporation. Wade Beatty made the motion with a second by Kevin Knott. After a brief discussion, motion carried 7-0.

VIII. Board Policy

The School Board of Trustees will be reviewing NEOLA draft school board policies during a work day on Saturday, March 3, 2007 from 8:00am until 5:00pm or until finished. Mid morning snacks, lunch and mid afternoon snacks will be provided.

IX. Public Comments

Jeff Johnson, pastor of Cadiz Christian Church, gave a proposal to the School Board. Mr. Johnson lives in Kennard and would like to propose a youth center next to the school that would be open to all age groups. He is asking for the formation of an exploratory committee to see the feasibility of what could be done with the land to make

that a hub for the community. There were some questions from the school board regarding his schedule. At this point, there are no schedules. After some comments from the board, Ron Womack & Debi Ware expressed a willingness to be a part of the exploratory committee.

X. Items from Board Members

Ron Womack mentioned that Dr. McGuire has been second to none in keeping communication open. He would like to propose the Board have a public round table discussion. This would be open to the public, follow an agenda and attempt to improve community involvement. After some discussion between board members, the board decided to think and revisit this issue next month.

Debi Ware, Finance Committee Member, has an additional budget transaction report that needs board approval. Wade Beatty motioned to approve inter-fund transfers for 2007. Kevin Knott made the second and motion carried 7-0.

Kevin Knott, Legislative Liaison, received information on upcoming bills to come before the Indiana congress. He is willing to make the report available to anyone interested.

Wade Beatty gave a Community Update – tomorrow at 1:00pm a defibrillator will be installed at the Hoosier Gym.

XI. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the board, Wade Beatty motioned to adjourn at 8:49pm.

President

Member

Vice President

Member

Secretary

Member

Member

