

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called their meeting to order at 7:33 pm. The meeting was held at the Administration Office located at 345 North Adams Street, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

- Board Members: Wade Beatty, Leah Kopp, Kevin Knott, Larry Selvidge, Debi Ware, Ron Womack, Michael Fruth
- Central Office Staff: Dr. Ray Pavy, Superintendent; David Bundy, Business Manager; Administrative Assistant, Jena Schmidt
- CTA President: Thomas Crawford
- Media: Jeff Eakins, Bethany Tabb
- Approximately 8 patrons

I. Organization of the Meeting

- A. Call to Order at 7:33 pm
- B. Roll Call – All members present.
- C. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Board Communication

The board was updated on upcoming dates and events.

II. Recognition

A. Public Recognition

- ❖ Thanks to Duane Fortune, Elvis Tribute Artist for the Elvis Reading Rocks Night at Carthage Elementary.
- ❖ Thank you to Cheryl Coffey for volunteering time to work a book fair for all the proceeds to benefit a local family.
- ❖ Sherri Messer, Holly Buchanan and Patti Wolfrom for serving on the KES Textbook Committee.
- ❖ Patti Wolfrom and Traci Howard to participating in KES School Improvement Planning.

B. Student Recognition

- ❖ Congratulations to KIS Spelling Bee participants: Brent Butler, Logan Cox, Zach Crain, Nathan Drumm-Winner, Sean Mullany, Tiffany Hunsinger, Brittany Dean, Rachel Terheide, Rachal McCaffrey, James Anderson, Lindsie King, Kayleigh Ruble, Shelby Patton, Broderick Angel, Zach St. John, Leslie Harsh, Mahaley Hagy, Arianne Guffey, Alexis Oldham.
- ❖ Congratulations to the KIS Math Bowl Team for a Fifth Place finish.
- ❖ Congratulations to the 7th & 8th Grade Band for their recent outstanding performance.
- ❖ CAB Spelling Bee Participants – Madison Irwin, Jayda Perisho, Ryan Johnson (runner-up), Annie Moore (Winner), Britney Taylor, Levi Majority, Jarrett Weidner,

Brandy Love, Doreen Cates, Amanda Wolfrom, Logan Whitaker, and Tori McDonald.

- ❖ Congratulations to Sidney Hastings for participating in the Young Americans Singing Group.
- ❖ Congratulations to 'Caring' Student of the month: Emmerson Hollenbaugh, Charlie Reydell, Shelby Hoff, Justin Weaver, Connor Judd, Cora Sherman, Gideon Mitchell, Sommer Studebaker, Lynne Crouse, Jose Olivo, Cora Gordon, Zachary Peacock, Lauren Wineman, Jackson Plank, David Jackson, Cydnee Satterfield, Brandon Linder, Kyle Mattix, Robyn Clark, Tara Nolen, Cailin Smith, Paige Halcomb, Brianna Phillips, Coleman Wyatt, Kinzi Badgley, Meghan Cupp, Breean Rutledge, and Dylan Mowery.

C. Staff Recognition

- ❖ Thanks to Bruce Sowers for his work on securing a wireless grant from AT&T and Ball State University.
- ❖ Efforts above and beyond on the collection of past due textbook rental and lunch fees goes to Michelle Swift and Andrea Sharp.
- ❖ Thanks to George Richmond, Mike McKillip, Andrea Sharp, and Vickie Rhodes for their cooperation with law enforcement as well as cleaning and securing KHS after a recent break-in.
- ❖ Mr. Holland for an outstanding musical presentation on February 21, 2008.
- ❖ Mrs. Gardner & Mrs. Haughn for efforts with the KIS Math Bowl team.
- ❖ Cynthia Henry, Judy Dunsmore, Karen Gardner, & Jennifer Florea for organizing and running the KIS Spelling Bee.
- ❖ Thanks to Gloria Means, Cindy Cox, and Marti Allen for organizing KES Spelling Bee.
- ❖ Shelley Fortune for being placed on the Dean's List at Anderson University.
- ❖ Thanks to Tracy Edwards and Jason Groce for extra work in developing the Carthage Elementary School web-site.

III. Consent Agenda Items

A. Approval of Minutes

February 12, 2008 and March 11, 2008 minutes were presented. Wade Beatty motioned to approve minutes as presented with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

B. Approval of Claims/Financial Report

Debi Ware presented finance committee report on behalf of the committee and motioned to approve the monthly claims in the committee's report. Larry Selvidge seconded the motion. After some discussion regarding billings during the winter months, the motion carried 7-0.

C. Personnel Recommendations

1. Dr. Pavy recommended the employment of Philip Ortman as summer grounds help. The position would begin mid-May and last through mid-August. Debi Ware motioned to accept the

recommendation with a second by Ron Womack. With no discussion, motion carried 7-0.

2. Dr. Pavy recommended approval of maternity leave for #31808-A beginning approximately April 28 through May 30. Kevin Knott motioned to approve the recommendation with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

IV. Reports of Superintendent and Business Manager

A. Reports for No Action

- Superintendent
 - Dr. Pavy informed the board that a recent field trip of the Art Club was located one mile across the state border into Ohio. In addition the BPW traveled overnight for business competition at the state level to Indianapolis. Superintendent requested approval after the fact. Larry Selvidge motioned to approve with a second by Leah Kopp. After some discussion regarding cost the motion carried 7-0.
 - Dr. Pavy gave a brief update on the recent break-in at Knightstown Community High School. Estimate for damages were higher than actual damages. He also commended the staff for quick action. The investigation is still on-going by the local and county authorities. He also stated a recent newspaper quoted money had been taken and this was an error. Nothing was stolen. There are plans for security cameras to be installed both interior and exterior.
 - Dr. Pavy gave a brief announcement of upcoming commencement ceremonies. He believes the school board members should deliver diplomas to seniors.
- Business Manager
 - Dr. Pavy and David Bundy stated last Friday the Indiana General Assembly passed Bill #1001 and is awaiting a signature by the governor. This year the corporation may only receive one tax assessment payment in December. This may present a cash flow problem. David Bundy is requesting permission to advertise to receive bids for rates for tax anticipation warrants. Bids would be opened during Finance Committee and presented to the board at the regular session of the April meeting. Wade Beatty motioned to approve the recommendation as presented with a maximum loan amount of 1.5 million dollars with a second by Larry Selvidge. After some discussion the motion carried 7-0.

B. Reports for Action

- No reports to come before the board

V. Unfinished Business

- No reports to come before the board

IV. New Business

- No reports to come before the board

- Kevin Knott then stated he was unaware of when to speak and proceeded to suggest the school board consider drug testing extra-curricular athletes. Most area schools have such a policy currently in effect. The superintendent recommends the policy in use at Rush County Schools. The board will look over the policy provided and discuss at a later meeting.

VII. Board Policy

- No reports to come before the board

VIII. Public Comments

- Mr. Tom Crawford asked to address the board via e-mail on March 12, 2008 at 3:35 pm. He stated he had no comments this evening.

IX. Items from Board Members

- Kevin Knott stated his appreciation to those who attended the public forum on March 11, 2008. He acknowledged the expertise and resources the University Search Team will provide. However, he asked that the board seek those in our community who have experience, to form a community group that will assist in the superintendent search.
- Michael Fruth encouraged the community to seek board members with any and all comments. It may also be helpful for board members to get involved in the buildings. He asked the board provide their preference on which buildings they would be interested in meeting with faculty and staff. He stated the board would like to receive as much input as possible; however confidentiality of each candidate is critical.
- Debi Ware asked for a discussion pertaining to the scholarship given to a senior on behalf of the school board. She stated this was a way of giving back a small portion to a graduating senior. After some discussion regarding the scholarship or a creativity grant, Wade Beatty motioned to approve a \$700 scholarship to a graduating senior. Leah Kopp made the second and motion carried 7-0. The board will each contribute \$100 towards this endeavor. Debi Ware and Leah Kopp will review applications and select a recipient for the scholarship.
- Mark Fort requested to speak. Michael Fruth stated he was out of order, however, allowed him to ask a question. He asked if the board had discussed selling central office and building new offices KHS. The board stated this had not been mentioned during board meetings.

X. Adjournment

- With nothing further to come before the board Ron Womack motioned to adjourn at 8:49pm.

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