

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called a Regular Session to order at 7:10 pm. The meeting was held at the Knightstown Community High School located at 8149 W. US 40, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

**Attendance:**

- Board Members: Wade Beatty, Steve Dalton, Mark Fort, Leah Kopp, Kevin Knott, Thomas Schaetzle, Timothy Wehr
- Central Office Staff: Gary Storie, Superintendent; Michelle Swift, Treasurer; Jena Schmidt, Administrative Assistant;
- School Administrator: Scott Ritchie, Christine Brokamp, Shirley Heck, Jennifer Jacoby
- Classroom Teacher Association: Tom Crawford, President
- Media: Knightstown Banner, The Courier Times
- Patrons: Approximately 6 patrons

I. Call to Order

Kevin Knott called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Roll call was taken and all members were present.

II. Minutes

May 18, 2010 – Special Session  
May 19, 2010 – Regular Session  
June 8, 2010 – Special Session

The above minutes were presented for approval. With no comments, Wade Beatty moved to approve the previously presented minutes with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

III. Claims – Steve Dalton gave the report on behalf of the finance committee. He then moved to accept and approve claims as presented with a second by Timothy Wehr. Motion carried 7-0. In the amount of \$1,436,623.30

IV. Public Expression

- No patrons addressed the Board.

V. Old Business

- Bus Replacement Plan – The Superintendent gave a brief report on the outcome of the Public Hearing held on June 8, 2010. After some discussion Thomas Schaetzle moved to accept the resolution as presented by the Superintendent with a second by Mark Fort. Motion carried 7-0.
- The Board President requested to move a personnel item to this point in the meeting. The Superintendent recommended approving the employment of Robert Allen from Cathedral High School as a High School Language Arts teacher and a Varsity Basketball Coach for the upcoming school year. Wade Beatty moved to approve the recommendation with a second by Leah Kopp. With no discussion, motion carried 7-0.
- Construction/Renovation Project – The floor was given to Kyle Miller from Schmidt & Associates. He introduced Steve Spangler who will be assigned as Construction Manager for the corporation

project. Kyle Miller then presented a blueprint layout of the finished project. There was some discussion regarding budget projections at this point. Schmidt & Associates stated all items currently came in under budget. Discussion then moved to the synthetic turf portion of the project. The recommendation from the field committee is to go with Field Turf. There was much discussion on this topic. Steve Dalton moves to accept Bid Package B and Field Turf as well as alternate bid package 3, 4C, 5, 6, & 7 as well as the seeding. Mark Fort gave the second to the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

- QZAB & Technology Project - The Superintendent explained the process to complete the QZAB application. He also explained the funding would have to be spent at KIS as described in the application. After much discussion, Thomas Schaetzle moved to take the next steps to obtain the funding of QZAB. A second was given by Wade Beatty. Motion carried 7-0.

The next item is the technology piece of a project to be completed to upgrade KIS. The superintendent recommended approving this component. Thomas Schaetzle moved to proceed with current specifications to vendors. As long as specifications come back favorable for the Server/Storage, Data Switching & Structured Cabling component, project should move forward. A second was given by Wade Beatty. After some discussion the motion carried 7-0.

- Knightstown Community High School Textbook Adoption – The Superintendent recommended approving Mathematics textbooks at the high school level as presented. Steve Dalton moved to approve with a second by Mark Fort. Motion carried 7-0.
- Motion to table the Textbook Rental and Fees and the Student Handbooks. Wade Beatty moved to table these items with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.
- Milk/Bread Bids – Recommendation from the Food Service Director and Superintendent to approve the bids received from Prairie Farms and Interstate Brands. Thomas Schaetzle moved to approve the recommendation with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.
- Central Office Property – The Superintendent recommends ratifying the purchase agreement as presented. Mark Fort moved to ratify the proposed Agreement as presented with a second by Kevin Knott. After some discussion motion carried 7-0.
- Reconsider the Phone System for the Radio Station – After some discussion Steve Dalton moved to amend original motion from a previous meeting and approve the purchase of an analog system with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

## VI. New Business

- The Superintendent recommends approving the Corporation's continued participation in the Federal Title I program for the 2010-2011 school year. Thomas Schaetzle moved to approve continuation of program with a second by Mark Fort. Motion carried 7-0.
- Serve as Shelter for Red Cross – This is an agreement to continue an agreement with the Red Cross and offer our facilities as a shelter in case of any disaster in our community. Wade Beatty moved to enter into the agreement with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

## VII. Personnel

- Extend contract for Principals – The Superintendent recommended extending the contracts for Scott Ritchie, Steve Wherry, Don Scheumann, Christopher Bundy and Christine Brokamp through June 30, 2012. Also extending Shirley Heck through June 30, 2011. He also stated there would not be an increase in compensation for these administrators. There was some discussion regarding compensation and the Superintendent clarified it could be amended at any time. Thomas Schaetzle moved to approve the recommendation with a second by Mark Fort. Motion carried 7-0.
- Resignation – The Superintendent informed the Board of a resignation from Shirley Blevins as KES Line Cook. He then presented a severance agreement that had been received from Karen Tuttle. He

asked the Board to approve the proposed agreement. After some discussion, Wade Beatty moved to approve the agreement with a second by Timothy Wehr. Motion carried 7-0.

- Employment Approval – Summer School – The Superintendent recommended approval of Greg Branson and Rachael Shepherd as Summer School Teachers in Mathematics and Language Arts respectively. He also presented a recommendation from Food Service Director to approve Keitha Hollars as Line Cook at KES. The Athletic Director recommended approval of Dan Dudley as a volunteer volleyball coach. With no discussion, Mark Fort recommended approval of all presented with a second by Leah Kopp. Motion carried 7-0.

#### VIII. Superintendent Reports

- Financial Report – The Superintendent stated some financials could not be completed as the meeting was scheduled earlier in the month. He also informed the Board they would be delivered as soon as they were completed.
- The Superintendent asked the Board to schedule the reorganization meeting. After some discussion the meeting was set for July 1, 2010. The meeting would be held at Knightstown Community High School Media Center beginning at 6:00 pm.

#### IX. Other

- The Athletic Director is requesting permission to seek vendors to refinish the KHS gym floor. She explained the necessity of this project. The Superintendent recommended moving forward with this project. Wade Beatty moved to recommend moving forward with a limitation of \$32,000. Steve Dalton gave the second, motion carried 7-0.
- Memorandum Of Understanding between School Board and Classroom Teacher Association – The Superintendent said this was to approve all Retirement Severance to be paid into a 403(b) post separation account. This will benefit the retiree as well as the corporation. After some discussion, Wade Beatty moved to approve the MOU with additional language that these funds would not exceed federal guidelines. Mark Fort gave the second and motion carried 7-0.
- Kevin Knott, Board President presented a plaque to Thomas Schaezle for his service and loyalty to both staff and students during his time on this School Board.

#### X. Public Expression

- Cathy Adkins, Knightstown – Stated she has seen in that past other schools place approval of spending money for projects placed on voting ballots. She asked why that did not happen with this round of construction projects. The Superintendent stated the determination factor was the total budget and if taxes would be affected in any way. He also stated our project falls below the cap, therefore is not subject to those requirements. Ms. Adkins also asked, regarding the extension of administrator contract, what criteria are they evaluated on and who performs those evaluations. The Superintendent stated that each principal are evaluated on nine different criteria and then listed those categories. Ms. Adkins asked how Personal Relations are defined. The Superintendent informed her it was based on how well they get along with and communicate with others. Ms. Adkins asked if parents are a part of that evaluation. The Superintendent stated yes.
- Ann Marie Darling, Knightstown – Asked if it were possible for a patron or parent to have the opportunity to meet with the entire Board privately. The Board stated that would require an Executive Session and that is only allowed for certain circumstances. Communication to the Board should be done in a public setting. Ms. Darling was also informed that she had the right to contact each member individually with any concerns she may have. Ms. Darling stated she had some questions of a personal nature and was not comfortable expressing those in a public setting. She was then told she should feel very comfortable to contact any or all members individually.

- Gerald Leonard, Knightstown – Expressed his gratitude to Mr. Schaetzle for being on the Board and Mr. Leonard has admired the way he handles things and situations. “Thank you for a job well done. We are losing a good Board member.”

XI. Adjournment

With no further business Wade Beatty moved to adjourn at 9:03 pm.

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