

VAN WERT CITY SCHOOLS
Board of Education Meeting
Wednesday, February 26, 2020 - 5:00 p.m.
First Federal Lecture Hall
Niswonger Performing Arts Center
10700 State Route 118 South, Van Wert, OH 45891

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call **Time In: 5:00 p.m. Five members were present.**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
- III. Public Participation

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes of public participation will be permitted at each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board will give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted three (3) minutes until the total time of thirty (30) minutes is used. During the period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board.

- IV. **20.02.016**
Set Agenda
Motion was made by Scott Mull and second by Tom Losh to accept the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0
- V. Curriculum and Instruction (Educational Impact) - Van Wert Elementary School, Justin Krogman – *Mr. Krogman, Mrs. Wehner and some staff members presented a video of some awesome things happening in their building. For example, the video showed three students and a teacher learning what kind of food to eat as a snack, how to eat the snack and when or what time of the day should you have a snack.*
- VI. Business and Records – Treasurer - *Mrs. Mawer shared with the board January financial statements, checks issued, summary of cash balances by fund, bank reconciliation, and amendments to the FY20 appropriations.*
- VII. Superintendent’s Section
 - A. EdChoice – *Superintendent Brunn said she was very impressed the Senate took the time to hear the testimony that was given over a couple of long days. This bill seems as though it is pitting us against each other. The concern for the Superintendents is the state funding for the*

performance vouchers are based on a flawed report card. The public school superintendents are asking for level playing field and for the state to pay for the vouchers, not the school districts.

- VIII. Board Member Section/Reports from Board Representatives (discussion only)
- A. Athletic Council – *the Council met on Monday and the minutes are posted on the Google drive.*
 - B. District Safety Committee – *the committee met about a week ago. Key jobs are going well which is helping to limit access. The committee followed up on earlier districtwide safety drill.*
 - C. Vantage Board Report – *the Board plans to bring in Delphos Jefferson as a member district. There is a meeting coming up in March.*
 - D. VWAPAF Report – *The group met on Monday; however, Scott was not able to attend. The minutes will be added to Google drive when they become available.*
 - E. VWASIG Report – *there is a meeting coming up in the near future.*

IX. **20.02.017**

Resolutions

(All items may be voted on in one motion)

Motion was made by Tom Losh and second by Rachel Dickman to approve items A-T as presented. Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- A. Approve the minutes from the Organizational, Budget & Regular Board Meeting held on January 8, 2020.
- B. Approve the minutes from the Special Board Meeting held February 24, 2020.
- C. Approve the monthly financial report as presented by the Treasurer.
- D. Accept a grant from Eaton Corp. Charitable Fund to Van Wert Elementary School to be used for Wellness and Literacy (\$8,500.00) to be accounted for in fund 019 and special cost center 9021.
- E. Acknowledge the following charitable groups, entities, and individuals for their generous donations to the Van Wert City Schools:
 - 1. To the Van Wert Educator's (Endowment) Fund:
 - a. Strategence Capital, LLC (\$125.00)
 - b. Van Wert Federal Savings Bank (\$125.00)
 - c. Wayne Kilton (\$125.00)
 - d. Van Wert Service Club, Inc. (\$125.00)
 - 2. To the High School Band:
 - a. Van Wert Area Performing Arts Foundation (\$125.00)
 - 3. To Masque & Gavel:
 - a. Sparetime, LLC (\$100.00)
 - b. Tisha Fast Insurance Agency, Inc. (\$200.00)
 - c. Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home & Crematory (\$50.00)
 - d. HCF Management, Inc. (\$200.00)
 - e. Wallace Plumbing (\$50.00)
 - f. F & S, Inc. (\$50.00)
 - g. Statewide Ford Lincoln (\$100.00)
 - h. Eastside Auto Repair and Sales (\$400.00)
 - i. Van Rue, Inc. DBA Vancrest Health Care Center (\$200.00)
 - j. Bee Gee Realty & Auction Co., Ltd. (\$50.00)
 - k. Unverferth Family Dentistry, Inc. (\$200.00)

4. To High School Robotics:
 - a. Van Wert Federal Savings Bank (\$1,000.00)
 - b. KeyBank National Association Trust Division (\$1,500.00)
 - c. Honda (\$1,500.00)
 - d. The Van Wert County Foundation (\$2,000.00)
 - e. Harold Miller (\$100.00)
 - f. Valam Hospitality (\$500.00)
5. To Middle School Robotics:
 - a. Honda (\$1,000.00)
6. To Van Wert Elementary Wellness:
 - a. The Van Wert County Foundation (\$500.00)
 - b. Van Wert City Schools Elementary PTO (\$3,000.00)
7. To the Class of 2020:
 - a. Melfour, LLC (\$50.00)
8. To High School Boys Basketball Activity Account:
 - a. Van Rue, Inc. DBA Vancrest Health Care Center (\$350.00)
9. To the High School Principal's Fund:
 - a. BKH, Inc. DBA as Master/Sylvania Driving School (\$500.00)
 - b. Ohiopyle Prints, Inc. (\$20.29)
10. To the Middle School Principal's Fund:
 - a. Lassus Handy Dandy (\$104.20)
11. To Middle School Renaissance:
 - a. Laudick's Jewelry (\$50.00)
 - b. Tisha Fast Insurance Agency, Inc. (\$25.00)
 - c. Cowan Funeral Home (\$100.00)
 - d. Mercer In-Sight, Inc. (\$50.00)
 - e. Central Mutual Insurance Company (\$1,500.00)
 - f. H & A Transport LLC DBA Eastside Auto Repair & Sales (\$350.00)
 - g. Van Wert Health (\$250.00)
 - h. Tenneco (\$500.00)
12. To Elementary School MD Classrooms:
 - a. First Federal Van Wert (\$50.00)
13. To Van Wert City Schools Special Education Department:
 - a. Van Wert City Schools Elementary PTO (\$1,675.00)
14. To Wrestling Activity Account:
 - a. Michelle Gunter (\$150.00)
15. To High School Yearbook & Digital Design
 - a. Van Wert Area Photography Club (\$650.00)
- F. Accept the resignation of Ed Wells, Bus Maintenance Supervisor, effective at the end of the 2019-2020 contract year.
- G. Accept the resignation of Mark Collins, Elementary School Guidance Counselor, effective at the end of the 2019-2020 contract year.
- H. Accept the resignation of MaryAnn Dunlap, part-time Early Childhood Center Custodian, effective February 28, 2020.
- I. Accept the resignation of Solomon O'Kang, High School Girls Head Soccer Coach, effective January 9, 2020.
- J. Accept the resignation of Martha Martin, Assistant Boys/Girls Swimming & Diving Coach, effective January 29, 2020.

- K. Approve Chris LaRue as High School-Middle School Custodial/Maintenance Worker, effective March 30, 2020, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met.
- L. Approve Laura Eikenbary as a paraprofessional, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met, effective March 2, 2020, as presented.
- M. Approve the following supplemental coaching contracts, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met:
 - 1. Scott Bigham - High School Junior Varsity Softball Coach (.5), effective the 2019-2020 contract year
 - 2. Bill Steinecker - High School Junior Varsity Softball Coach (.5), effective the 2019-2020 contract year
 - 3. Tom Baer - Middle School Athletic Coordinator (.25), effective the 2019-2020 contract year
 - 4. Darla Dunlap - Middle School Athletic Coordinator (.25), effective the 2019-2020 contract year
 - 5. Katie Peterson - High School Girls Tennis Head Coach, effective the 2020-2021 contract year
 - 6. Matt Miller - High School Girls Soccer Head Coach, effective the 2020-2021 contract year
- N. Approve the following volunteer coaches, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met, effective the 2019-2020 contract year:
 - 1. Brian Bollenbacher - High School Junior Varsity Softball Volunteer Coach
 - 2. Michelle Klein - High School Track Volunteer Coach
- O. Approve a leave of absence for Danae Leaser, Speech-Language Pathologist, effective after her accrued leave and FMLA have been exhausted, through May 22, 2020.
- P. Authorize membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for Van Wert High School and Middle School for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.
- Q. Approve Family and Children First Administrative Agent Contract for the two-year period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022, as presented.
- R. Authorize Family and Children First to prepare and submit FY 2020 and FY 2021 Multi-System Youth Technical Assistance through the Ohio Department of Medicaid, as presented.
- S. Authorize Treasurer to establish a separate Family and Children First fund and special cost center to track the transactions for the Multi-System Youth Technical Assistance Fund.
- T. Approve payment of \$1,000.00 stipend to Diane Tobe for completion of FY14 fixed asset inventory, as presented.

X. Other Business

20.02.018

Motion was made by Debby Compton and second by Tom Losh to approve item A as presented. Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- A. Motion to approve Phase One of the Niswonger Performing Arts Center Annex Project, as presented.
- B. Appoint Board Representative to the District Safety Committee – *Tom Losh was appointed.*

XI. This is to inform the Board of Education that the following employees were advanced on the pay scale, due to additional college coursework, effective February 1, 2020:

- A. Melissa Bloomfield - Bachelors-150 to Masters
- B. Sarah Holliday - Bachelors-150 to Masters
- C. Alison Springer - Bachelors+10 to Masters

XII. Monthly reports from the building principals are on the board drive for review

XIII. **20.02.019**

Adjournment **Time Out: 5:38 p.m.**

**Motion by Scott Mull and second by Rachel Dickman to adjourn the meeting. Ayes:
5 Nays: 0**

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 25, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.
in the First Federal Lecture Hall at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center.

Board President

Fiscal Officer