

MINUTES OF BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES MEETING  
July 24, 2017

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session on Monday, July 24, 2017, at Slate Run Elementary (Temporary Site). The following members were present: Mrs. Rebecca Gardenour, President; Ms. Lee Ann Wiseheart, Vice-President; Mrs. Donna Corbett, Secretary; Mrs. Jan Anderson, Member; Mr. K. Lee Cotner, Member; Mrs. Elizabeth Galligan, Member; and Mrs. Jenny Higbie, Member. Also present were the following administrators: Dr. Brad Snyder, Superintendent; Mr. Bill Briscoe, Assistant to the Superintendent for Administration and Operations; and Mr. Fred McWhorter, Chief Business Officer.

**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mrs. Gardenour called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**B. RECITE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mrs. Gardenour asked everyone to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. ACTION ITEMS:**

**Approval of Staffing Report;**

A Staffing Report was presented to Board members for approval.

Mr. Cotner made a motion to approve the Staffing Report as presented and recommended. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Ms. Wiseheart asked about the positions that are still open. Mr. Briscoe said, at this time, we have three certified teaching positions that are open. We will have a licensed teacher in those positions beginning the first day of school and until the position is filled permanently.

Following the discussion, the motion made by Mr. Cotner and seconded by Mrs. Anderson carried unanimously following a roll call vote.

**Consider Contract for Interim Superintendent;**

Board members received a copy of the contract for Interim Superintendent for approval.

Upon motion by Mrs. Higbie, second by Mrs. Corbett, approval was given to the contract for the Interim Superintendent as presented and recommended. Following a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**Consider Contract with Indiana School Boards Association;**

Mrs. Gardenour commented that at the June 16, 2017, Meeting the School Board approved using the Indiana School Boards Association (ISBA) to help with the Superintendent's search. However, they did not approve a contract with the ISBA. Since that meeting, the ISBA has provided Board members with additional information about their services along with a fee schedule. Mrs. Gardenour suggested the Board discuss which services they would like to utilize at a Work Session on July 31, 2017, when they meet to discuss the job description.

Ms. Wiseheart made a motion to accept a contract with the Indiana School Boards Association for the Superintendent's search process with details on the contract to be discussed at a Work Session on July 31, 2017. Mrs. Anderson seconded the motion.

Mr. McWhorter suggested that the Board could amend the motion to accept the fee schedule as presented along with the contract tonight and then would not have to bring back for approval at a future meeting.

Following discussion, Ms. Wiseheart amended the motion accept a contract with the Indiana School Boards Association along with the fee schedule presented for the Superintendent's search. The amended motion was seconded by Mrs. Anderson and carried unanimously following a roll call vote.

**D. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Receive Information for New Program Adoption on Behalf of One Southern Indiana:**

Ms. Wendy Dant-Chesser, President and CEO of One Southern Indiana, and Mr. Paul Holba, Director of Talent Development and SkillUP Partnership, shared information with the Board regarding workforce development programs. The current SkillUP 2 grant details include:

- Funding of \$1,447,500.00
- Industry partners include: Metro Manufactures, Amatrol, Samtec, Ford Louisville Assembly and Ford Louisville Truck Plant, Owings Patterns, Port of Indiana - Jeffersonville, Metals USA, Eagle Steel Products, Jeff Boat, S&J Precision, American Fuji Seal, Autoneum, Cimtech, Cylicron, ERL Inc., Tenneco, Whitesell Precision Components, Fred Smith Store Fixtures, and Lucas Oil Products
- Description of Grant: Focus on bringing the Conexus/Hire Tech advanced curriculum to more high schools, connect more students to the Prosser Career Center to complete their MSSC-CPT certification, expand the partnership between WorkONE and Ivy Tech to identify and train more adults for careers in advanced manufacturing and provide an industry-recognized work and learn federal apprenticeship (Industrial Manufacturing Technician Apprenticeship - IMTA) to individuals in the region to skill up their ability to succeed in Advanced Manufacturing.
- Outcomes:
  - 100 students (sophomores/juniors) in Conexus/HIRE program
  - 50 seniors to enroll in Advanced Manufacturing courses with 90% completing MSSC-CPT certification and moving into employment
  - 62 adults into MSSC-CPT coursework and the IMTA with 90% completing the program and earning their journeyman's card
  - 100 individuals enrolled in the IMTA program will complete training, earn their journeyman's card and will earn at least \$32,500 annually
- Current Update:
  - Teacher Externships: Over 100 teachers from Region 10 high schools participated in the externships. SkillUP provides a \$500 stipend for each teacher
  - IMT Training: Outcomes of visits is Tenneco, ERL, Knapheide, and Marcus have interest in further discussion. Amatrol equipment will be installed the first week of August in the schools that have purchased new equipment and software
  - SkillUP 3 application is submitted and awaiting response from Department of Workforce Development.

The school corporation, especially Prosser Career Education Center, has been involved in the SkillUp 2 grant. Once the full application process is available from the DWD for SkillUP 3, One Southern Indiana would like the school corporation to partner in this new initiative. Board members and administrators thanked One Southern Indiana for the presentation and for the opportunity to serve with them in this new initiative. Mrs. Chesser will remain in contact with the Superintendent throughout the process and updates will be provided to the Board as necessary.

**Receive Information on Slate Run Elementary Temporary Site:**

Dr. Snyder thanked everyone who had a part in making this transition happen for the students and staff of Slate Run Elementary in such a short time period. He also thanked the staff at Graceland for all their help and generosity throughout this entire process. With this move, the construction of the new Slate Run Elementary

School can be completed nearly 18 months earlier than originally anticipated. Dr. Snyder then asked those involved in the process to say a few words.

Pam Casey, Director of Food & Nutrition Services, said they were able to bring the mobile serving lines from Slate Run to the temporary site. Food deliveries have been made and they are ready for students on the first day of school.

Tom Handy, Manager of Energy and Security Services, said badge readers, security cameras, and an intercom system at the main entrance have been installed; the two-way radio system has been enhanced; and the RAPTOR visitor management system was moved from Slate Run to the temporary location.

Phil Wesley with the Technology Department said all phones and computers are up and running and are connected to the corporation's existing technology.

Wendy Baumann, Custodial Supervisor, worked with FMS staff on reorganizing and identifying cleaning areas as this temporary site is a little larger than the former school. Graceland uses the same chemicals system which made the transition easier.

Steve Green, Maintenance Supervisor, said it was a "team effort" among many people. Literally picking up everything from a building and moving it was quite the challenge. But the worst is behind us and the students and staff have a great temporary location.

Bill Wiseheart, Director of Facilities, added that everything is on schedule as planned, all signing is up inside and outside the building, and we are ready to go. He thanked everyone involved.

Chris Rough with the Technology Department said each teacher has a telephone in the classroom which serves as an intercom, fire alarm and bell system as well as a telephone.

Amy Niemeier, Principal at Slate Run, thanked everyone who was involved in making this transition happen. She is looking forward to beginning the school year and welcoming students and staff back this week.

Following the meeting, tours of the schools were given.

With no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Schindler, Recording Secretary