

## **School Board Meeting – November 21, 2017 Regular & Executive Session**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – 7:07 P.M.

### ESTABLISH A QUORUM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of School Trustees of the John Glenn School Corporation met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on November 21, 2017, at the John Glenn Administration Building. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Bob Borlik, Christian Mattix, Bill Groves, and Janice Ryan. Dennis Holland and Curt Pletcher were absent. Richard Reese, Superintendent, and eight observers were also present.

### RECOGNITIONS (WES, NLES, UMS, JGHS)

Mr. Tim Davis, Walkerton Elementary Principal, announced that on Thursday, November 16, 2017, the WES Spell Bowl team took first place in the Elementary Spell Bowl. Statewide, WES placed 21st out of 113 schools in their division. Perfect spellers were Isaiah Payne, Olivia Foresman, Nina Foresman and Kaleb Cobe. Near perfect spellers were Ariel Gates and Emma Knowlton. Team members include Fifth Graders Julie Irvine, Ariel Gates, Kaiylen Turnage, Nina Foresman, Olivia Foresman, Michaela Hurford, Jasper Kellem, Ben Kozora, and Kaleb Kobe. Sixth Grade team members include Helen Guseilla, Katelyn Vermilyer, Taylor Swank, Emma Kowlton and Isaiah Payne. Mr. Davis recognized the following students for participating in the Veteran's Day Program on Friday, November 10, 2017: Isaiah Payne, Brodey Knizner, Austin Burns, Kamryn Pendl, and Alisha Smith. The Sixth Grade A and B Boys' Basketball teams competed at the LaVille Preseason Tournament on Saturday, November 11, 2017. Although neither team took the championship, both teams played strong. On December 22, 2017, the Summer Reading program will host their second "Cookies with Santa", from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for children that read from November 13 to December 18, 2017. Mr. Davis recognized Mrs. Monica Morris for her work organizing life-skill activities for the third grade classes. On Friday, November 17, 2017, the Fifth and Sixth Grade Fall Basketball Lock-in was held, with 177 students attending. Money raised at this event will be used to purchase needed items for all basketball teams. The event was organized and supervised by Coach Reese and Coach Walter, along with many staff and parent volunteers. Mr. Davis asked the Board to accept the following donations: Falcon 500 donated \$60 for Honor Roll Rewards, \$100 for the Minds in Motion Room, \$100 for the 5th Grade trip to see the Wonder movie, and \$40 for an adjustable basketball hoop. Five Thanksgiving Baskets were received from Masonite for WES families in need. On Friday, the WES Fourth Graders received a presentation on flag etiquette by Jim Hewitt, John Minion and Lynda Sardeson. A test was given at the end of the presentation and Jose Divine and Andrea Weddington achieved the top two scores.

Mr. Randy Romer, North Liberty Elementary Principal, noted that North Liberty hosted the area Elementary Spell Bowl competition on November 16, 2017. North Liberty scored 42 points placing 55th in the state blue division, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the local division. Ethan Craft was a Perfect Speller, and Near Perfect Spellers were Aiden Swank and Logan Bryant. Team members include Dakota Brown, Brody Chapman, Sophie Coppens, Ian McNeill, Landon Johnson, Chase Miller, Avery Franklin, Brady Joachim, Owen Bendt, Sarah Rippey, Makayla Laskowski, Olivia Limerick, Logan Richie, and Olivia Kalicki. The Sixth Grade Boys' Basketball teams recently participated in the LaVille Preseason Tournament, with the A team winning against Walkerton and B team losing in the first round to Bremen. Karlie Gibson, Kindergarten Teacher, was recognized by the Department of Education at the annual Teacher-of-the-Year Banquet on Friday, November 17, 2017 in Indianapolis. In closing, Mr. Romer announced the Student Council Canned Food Drive was very successful. Mr. Romer thanked the Sixth Grade Student Council and Shamrock families for donating items to support the John Glenn Community.

Mr. Mark Maudlin, Urey Middle School Principal, congratulated the Urey Spell Bowl team and their coach, Wendy Peters for being named Indiana Class 3 State Spell Bowl Champions on Saturday, November 11, 2017, at Purdue University. The team spelled 63 out of the 72 words correctly to bring home the championship. Members of the Spell Bowl team include Zach Banazak, Andrew Carlin (perfect speller), Tatum Carrasco, Van Foresman (perfect speller), Jackson Humphrey (near perfect speller), Ira Indeikina, (perfect speller), Alex Kaser, Sophie McLochlin (near perfect speller), Preston Richard, and Morgan Tibbs. Mr. Maudlin congratulated Mackenzie Werntz and Gabrielle Smith for being selected to participate in the Indiana Bandmasters Association's All-Region Honor Band. The ensemble consists of about 90 musicians from 24 area schools. The band rehearsed all day on Saturday, November 11, 2017 under the direction of Dr. Doebler, a music educator and respected musician from Valparaiso University. On Sunday, the band performed with the Honor Band at LaSalle Intermediate Academy in South Bend. Mr. Nathan Sudduth, Band Director, expressed how proud he is of these students for their acceptance and participation in the band.

Mr. Chris Manering, John Glenn High School Assistant Principal, asked the Board to accept the following donations: \$50 from Kerckhove Farms for Theater; \$100 from Keeley Heating and Cooling for Choir; \$2,249 from Band Boosters to Band for sound equipment; \$100 from Polk Township Fire Department for Theater; \$50 from an anonymous donor for Theater; \$2,500 from The Zone for Girls' Basketball; \$40 from Falcon 500 for Girls' Basketball; and \$40 from Falcon 500 for Boys' Soccer. In athletic news, Riley Groves signed on Friday, November 10, 2017 with Davenport University to play volleyball, and Bethany Hayden was named Tyler Roth/WKVI Athlete of the Week for outstanding play in the Girls' Basketball victory over LaPorte. Two band students were chosen to participate in the Indiana Bandmasters Association All-District Honor Band. Connor Fort and Casey Holderread rehearsed with the band all day on November 18, 2017 and performed on November 19, 2017 at Plymouth High School with 100 fellow musicians. In closing, Mr. Manering noted the FFA Senior Team and Novice Team both placed second in the District 2 Chapter Meeting Career Development Events contest.

Bob Borlik made a motion to approve recognitions as presented and Janice Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

#### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS #1 – 4

1. Approve Minutes – November 7, 2017 – Regular and Executive Session
2. Approve Claims – #1525 - 1603
3. Approve Personnel Recommendations

##### *Retirements/Resignations*

- a. Gavin McNeeley Boys' Head Track Coach, Urey Middle School
- b. Leland Travis JV Head Baseball Coach, John Glenn High School
- c. Brianne Schmidt Fourth Grade Teacher, Walkerton Elementary School
- d. Samantha Hensley Instructional Aide, North Liberty Elementary School

##### *Appointments/Transfers*

- a. Kim Tokoly Homebound Instructor, Urey Middle School
- b. Jen Traub Robotics Coach, North Liberty Elementary School
- c. Gail Crone Robotics Co-Coach, Walkerton Elementary School
- d. Sara Nusbaum Robotics Co-Coach, Walkerton Elementary School
- e. Gavin McNeeley Girls' Head Tennis Coach, John Glenn High School
- f. Amie Greenboam Food Service Director, John Glenn School Corporation

4. Transfer Requests

The following student has applied for an out-of-district transfer request: Summer Brantley, JGHS/12.

Janice Ryan made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items one through four and Bill Groves seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Approve Early Graduation Requests for Two Students

Mr. Morton submitted early graduation requests for two students who will be seven-semester graduates. Those students are Jamie Freeman and Dakota Grossman. Both students attended the meeting to answer questions from the Board. Janice Ryan made a motion to approve the early graduation requests of Jamie Freeman and Dakota Grossman. Christian Mattix seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

#### 2. Approve FMLA Requests

Three FMLA requests were presented to the Board for approval. Bill Groves made a motion to approve the FMLA requests as presented, and Christian Mattix seconded the motion. The motion passed with a five to zero vote.

#### 3. Approve First Reading of NEOLA Policy Revision Volume 30, Number 1

This update includes proposed revisions to current policy templates that are the result of the Spring 2017 legislative session, as well as revisions that are the result of ongoing work with NEOLA. Bill Groves made a motion to approve the first reading of NEOLA Policy Revision Volume 30, Number 1. Bob Borlik seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

### REPORTS

#### 1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Reese provided information to the Board concerning transfer students and resident enrollees. Currently there are approximately 400 transfer students. Mr. Reese remarked that many transfer students move into the district and become resident enrollees. Mr. Reese asked the Board to set a date, possibly the second meeting in January, to discuss future ideas for enrollment growth projections and any building renovations or additions that may need to be considered.

Mr. Reese also provided information concerning the Northern Indiana Educational Services Corporation and the cost savings provided by the NIESC. Ted Chittum, former Superintendent of Argos and Triton, is Director of this organization.

#### 2. Conference Requests

### BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Jeff Johnson reminded board members of the upcoming School Law Seminar on December 1, 2017.

NEXT MEETING DATE: December 5, 2017 7:00 P.M. NLES Regular Session

### ADJOURNMENT

Jeff Johnson called the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held to discuss Collective Bargaining. No other business was discussed. Board members present were Jeff Johnson, Bob Borlik, Christian Mattix, Bill Groves, and Janice Ryan. Richard Reese, Superintendent, was also present. The executive session began at 7:50 p.m. and ended at 8:20 p.m.

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