

## **SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Whiting Community School Board was called to order by President Murray at 7:00 p.m., Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Members present: Fegenbush, Jacobson, Kirby, Morton, Murray. Members absent: None. Mr. Briggs and Mrs. Schmidt were in attendance. Guests: Alex Lamp, Dennis Schmidt.

Motion made and carried to approve the agenda.

Motion made and carried to approve the minutes, bills, and financial reports.

Mrs. Schmidt shared a schedule of the upcoming activities including homecoming week, field trips, and college fairs. FAST testing fall assessments were completed last week. The teaching staff was trained at their August 21<sup>st</sup> in service on security response protocol. An assembly was held for MS/HS students and elementary students had presentations in their classrooms on this subject. Information was also sent out to parents. Mid-terms will be September 22<sup>nd</sup>. End of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter is October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Briggs updated the board on our science teacher position. We are covering our science opening with two science teachers from Akron-Westfield with the help of our long-term substitute. We have submitted our School Safety Application and hope to hear back soon on updates to our facilities. Both of our 12 passenger vans are here and in operation. Mr. Briggs and Mrs. Schmidt met with administration from West Harrison. They are interested in sharing baseball and softball next summer. We are currently looking at AIM (Active Incident Management) app. for our district. This allows for real-time information to be shared within our staff and county emergency personnel.

Motion made and carried to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of board policies 705.1, 705.1R1, and 705.1R2 as presented.

Motion made and carried to receive and place on file the 2023 CAR as presented.

Motion made and carried to approve a request to the SBRC for Modified Allowable Growth and Supplemental Aid for the special education program deficit.

Motion made and carried to approve the review of graduation policy 505.5 as presented.

Motion made and carried to approve the mid-term graduations of Koltyn Anderson, Natalie Jacobson, Kash Paulsen, Duncan Purcell, and Devin Richardson pending completion of all graduation requirements.

Motion made and carried to approve the foundation application submitted by Christine Derochie for a Mathematics conference as presented.

Motion made and carried to approve the foundation application submitted by Katie Bruening for the Washington D.C. trip 2024 as presented.

Motion made and carried to approve the hiring of long-term substitute Amanda Weltz as presented.

Motion made and carried to approve the hiring of paraprofessional Paige Baker as presented.

Motion made and carried to approve the hiring of van driver Sarah Rivas as presented.

Motion made and carried to approve the hiring of custodian Austin Evers as presented.

Motion made and carried to accept the resignation of board member Steve Murray.

No one was present for the public forum.

The meeting was declared adjourned. 7:47 p.m.