

LANESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

August 17, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Lanesville Community School Board of Trustees was held on August 17, 2021 at the high school cafeteria, 2725 Crestview Avenue, NE, Lanesville Indiana. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by board president, Sharon Rothrock. Board members who were present at the meeting were as follows:

Sharon Rothrock, President
Margaret Meyer, Vice President
Jaycen Abell, Secretary
Ron Wolfe, member
Robert Schickel, member
Steve Morris, Superintendent

Margaret Meyer made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2021 board meeting and the claims for the month of August. Robert Schickel seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Jeff Smitley, Elementary Principal, presented the elementary school report.

The current enrollment at Lanesville Elementary is at 387 students. The numbers are as follows:

Kindergarten 63
First Grade 64
Second Grade 52
Third Grade 55
Fourth Grade 59
Fifth Grade 43
Sixth Grade 51

The fourth grade is participating in the Heritage Weekend Parade with an "Honoring our first responders, search and rescue, and our Military" float. Last week they were visited by a para jumper, flight nurse and a veteran registered and flight nurse.

He stated that Mr. Guernsey hosted an open house for 6th grade students on August 12th. These students were allowed to try different instruments. He had about a dozen show up. Mrs. Hodge is hosting a Spanish club on Fridays after school until 3:30 for grades K-4.

School picture day will be on August 31st.

He reported that we have 51 students quarantined due to Covid. Of these students, 46 are close contacts and 5 are positive cases. There are still 330+ students still in school. He concluded that he is very impressed and proud of the elementary office and teaching staff in dealing with the adversity that has come with the beginning of the year.

This concluded his report.

Dr. Ryan Apple proceeded with the High School Principal Report.

Ms. Morgan met with 11th and 12th grade parents last week. It was a great informational meeting to get parents and students on the right track for graduation and post-graduation. Ms. Morgan has done an outstanding job creating websites for each of our grades to help them navigate through school and beyond.

Lanesville Jr.-Sr. High School is partnering with Our Place in hopes of procuring a grant to provide a wide variety of programming to the students, staff and parents of Lanesville Jr.-Sr. High School. Updates on the grant application process will be made available as more information is known.

We are currently in our first round of NWEA testing for the year. This data will be used to help shape instruction for the rest of the year.

Open house is next Wednesday starting at 6:00 p.m. and school picture day is August 31.

Fall sports start this week. Student-athletes have been putting in hours of hard work preparing for a successful year.

Our current enrollment at Lanesville Jr.-Sr. High School is 351.

This concluded his report.

Mr. Morris proceeded with the Superintendent Report.

Mr. Morris began with a review of the procedures that are in place regarding trans-gender bathroom usage. Mr. Morris stated that there are several steps including parent meetings, discussion with the counselors, administration involvement and meeting with the school nurse. He concluded that our goal is to protect and respect each of our students. Mr. Morris discussed several additional issues which the administration has had to deal with in the last several years such as vaping and alcohol usage.

Mr. Morris stated that we are dealing with rising numbers in positive Covid cases. He said that the teachers, staff and parents have done a wonderful job in communicating and working together to work through the steps that are mandated. He said the bottom line is that we all want the kids in school.

Mr. Morris stated that next month's board meeting will be dealing with the 2021-2022 budget. He said the topics of discussion will be collective bargaining, bus replacement and capital projects. He said the actual budget adoption will be in October.

This concluded his report.

Nina Irvin spoke regarding her "Courtyard Beautification Project" here at Lanesville Community Schools. Nina has attended Lanesville Schools since Kindergarten and is a senior this year. Nina had decided to obtain the Girl Scout's Gold Award, which is the highest honor in the program. She chose to update and "beautify" our courtyard as her project. Many hours of pre-planning followed up by physical labor has transformed our courtyard into a place of peace and beauty. Nina works daily to inspire our students to venture into the courtyard and enjoy what she has created.

Mr. Morris made a statement regarding our Covid re-opening plan and updates since last month's meeting. He stated that our biggest issue is sending healthy kids home and that very few end up with Covid. Students can be vaccinated at age 12 and above.

Mr. Morris made a recommendation to approve hiring the following personnel and pay rate

Ramanda Flannery as Special Education Teacher
Dennis Haines as Bus Maintenance Supervisor
Approval of Prosser bus driver rate

Robert Schickel made the motion to accept the recommendations. Ron Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Morris made a recommendation to approve the following coaches for the 2021-2022 school year

- a. Mike Sizemore as Head Varsity Tennis Coach
- b. Amy Graves as Varsity Assistant Tennis Coach
- c. James Powers as Head JH Tennis Coach
- d. Bradey Sanders as Head Soccer Coach
- e. Courtney Hoke as Assistant Soccer Coach
- f. Ethan Kruer as Volunteer Assistant Soccer Coach
- g. Mark Frazier as Volunteer Assistant Soccer Coach
- h. Holly Bailey as Head Varsity Cross Country Coach
- i. Lauren Petty as Head JH Cross Country Coach
- j. Nathan Barnickle as 6th Grade Basketball Coach
- k. Adam Belden as 7th Grade Basketball Coach
- l. Bob Campbell as 8th Grade Basketball Coach
- m. Matthew Beckman as Freshman Basketball Coach

- n. Kevin Smith Boys JV Basketball Coach
- o. Mikel Miller as Boys Varsity Basketball Coach
- p. Roger Reynolds as Varsity Boys Volunteer Coach
- q. Mike Sizemore as Varsity Boys Volunteer Coach
- r. Angie Hinton as Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
- s. Joe Hinton as Varsity Girls Assistant Basketball Coach
- t. Hallie Hinton as Varsity Girls Volunteer Coach
- u. Eric Hess as Grils 5 Grade Basketball Coach
- v. Carrie Moore as Girls 6 Grade Basketball Coach
- w. Jason Simler as Girls 7 Grade Basketball Coach
- x. James Campbell as Girls 8 Grade Basketball Coach
- y. Callie Best as JV Girls Basketball Coach
- z. Marcie Bindner as Swim Coach
- aa. Accept the resignation of Jon Will as Varsity Baseball Coach
- bb. Leigh Ann Campbell as JH Cross Country Volunteer

Ron Wolfe motioned to approve these coaches as recommended. Margaret Meyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Morris made a recommendation that food vending trucks be allowed to serve food at soccer games. Jaycen Abell motioned to approve and Margaret Meyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0

Mr. Morris made the recommendation to approve the following fundraisers. Margaret Meyer made the motion to approve the fundraisers and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- High school girls basketball will be selling signs
- FFA will be selling mums

After a small amount of discussion, Sharon Rothrock proceeded with the adjournment.

With no further business, Sharon Rothrock motioned to adjourn the meeting. Margaret Meyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0 The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.



Sharon Rothrock, President



Jaycen Abell, Secretary