LANESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

APRIL 16, 2024

The executive meeting of the Lanesville Community School Board of Trustees was held April 16, 2024 at the corporation office, 2723 Crestview Avenue, NE, Lanesville Indiana. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by board President, Robert Schickel.

Robert Schickel, President Jaycen Abell, Vice President Sharon Rothrock, Secretary Tara Smith, Member Ryan Lind, Member Dr. Ryan Apple, Superintendent

The board met in executive session discussing industrial or commercial prospects or agents, placement decisions regarding students and classified records considered confidential by state or federal statute. No official action was taken.

With no further business, Robert Schickel made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0 The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the Lanesville Community School Board of Trustees was held April 16, 2024 at the high school cafeteria, 2725 Crestview Avenue, NE, Lanesville Indiana. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by board President, Robert Schickel.

Robert Schickel, President
Jaycen Abell, Vice President
Sharon Rothrock, Secretary
Tara Smith, Member
Ryan Lind, Member
Dr. Ryan Apple, Superintendent

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sharon Rothrock made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2024 board meeting. Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Sharon Rothrock made the motion to approve the claims for the month of April. Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Jeff Smitley, Elementary Principal, proceeded with his report.

Mr. Smitley discussed that we participated in the math bowl on April 9th at West Washington. He said that we won the Green Level Math Bowl Invitational. He said that we tied for overall first at the invitational. He said we were 5th in the state for the green Level and in the top ten for the State for all levels. Mr. Smitley recognized Mrs. McLane and Mrs. Tobbe for their great leadership.

Mr. Smitley discussed the GaGa pit and how we are moving forward. He said that the pit is here and stored until the area is cleared where it will be placed. He recognized the following for their donations:

Soaring Eagles \$1,000 plus

Lanesville Heritage Weekend Pampered Pets Dog Daycare and Hotel Wernert Build Quality Homes

Purple Pride \$500 to \$999

Hess Family Farms
Uesseler Construction, Inc.

Friends of LES \$100 to \$499

Gustin Land Management T&T Swift The Walk Family Ware, Inc.

Mr. Smitley discussed the recent robotics competition and the success for these kids and Mr. Kramer. He invited Mr. Kramer to speak about this competition. Mr. Kramer said that the robotics club started after winter break and they met once a week through today. He said that 4th and 5th grades had 18 students with 13 competing and 18 6th grades with 13 competing. He said that they faced adversity, learned to overcome challenges and communicate with teammates, and how to be a part of a cooperative team.

Mr. Smitley said that the honey bee lady, Melanie Posh, visited the first grades last week.

He stated that the Art and Music show will be on April 22nd. He said that Heather Perkins and David Henke have been preparing for weeks.

He discussed that Teacher Appreciation will with be May 6 through the 10.

Mr. Smitley said that we will have virtual learning day May 7th due to the eclipse.

Mr. Smitley said that field day would be May 22nd and awards day is May 23rd.

This concluded this report.

Dr. Volker, High School Principal proceeded with his report.

Thursday was District XI officer elections for FFA. Alex Morris will be serving as the district Southern region vice president and Margeaux Stewart will be serving as the District President, and Kalynda Hoevener will be serving as the District advisor for the 2024-2025 school year. The district comprises 29 schools.

Congratulations to our own Lanesville Jr/Sr High School teacher Aafke Garlock who won the Outstanding Graduate School Paper award at University of Indianapolis.

We took the AP-TIP mock exams for Calculus and Statistics on April 3rd. Our teachers are working with other math teachers to grade them and provide feedback to students.

We had a group of 8th graders from St. John's come to visit us at Lanesville and take a tour on April 4th. As we are finishing up this year, we are planning for next year.

On Tuesday, April 9th, the blood drive at Lanesville was very successful. We collected 51 units and sadly had to turn some people away because the Red Cross could not get them through quickly enough and they ran out of supplies. Congratulations to Ellie Schneider and Makenna Magner who led the blood drive effort as well as our school nurse Cassie Gustin.

We also hosted the spring district 12 meeting of the Indiana Association of School Principals last week in our cafeteria. It was well attended with principals from as far away as Madison attending. The majority of the discussion was on new high school diploma changes that are being discussed for the class of 2029, this year's 7th grade class.

The senior high academic bowl team is participating tonight in the district competition at Austin High School. They have performed very well at local invitationals. The junior high competition is next weekend.

The Academic Banquet is this Saturday at 6:00 PM in the high school gym.

There is a Band/Choir concert scheduled for Sunday, April 21st at 4:00 PM in the gym. There will also be an Art Show going on at the same time. The Art Show will continue on Monday night during the elementary school concert.

We started ILEARN testing today and that will continue for the next few weeks and then AP testing begins the week of May 6th.

Spring sports have started and all our teams are doing well.

It is now a sprint to the end of the school year with several things this week. The next board meeting is May 21st and that is the last week of the school year.

This concluded his report.

Dr. Apple proceeded with the Superintendent's report.

Dr. Apple acknowledged Aafke Garlock, LHS English Teacher, as being selected as the Udo Natterman Award Winner for Best Graduate Essay. This essay goes to the best essay written in a graduate English class. It is named in honor of Professor Udo Nattreman, who taught at Ulndy in several positions until his death in 2012, and was funded in his honor. Ms. Garlock will graduate this spring with her master's degree.

Dr. Apple said that he recently sent a survey to all teachers in the corporation to compile their input on the needs of LCSC. A similar survey will go out to parents in the coming weeks. The views of both sets of stakeholders will be reviewed and considered when planning for the 2024-2025 school year.

Dr. Apple stated that he and Lanesville Community School Board members will be travelling to Seymour on Monday 4/29/24 to attend the ISBA Region 10 meeting.

Dr. Apple sent a reminder that LCSC will operate under a virtual learning day on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 due to our high school being used as a polling place.

Dr. Apple said that the FFA Banquet is on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 and the high school band/choirs concerts are Sunday, April 21, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. He added that the Art show is Sunday, April 21, starting at 3:00 p.m. and the Elementary musical concert is scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

This concluded his report

The PTSO report was presented by Mr. Smitley.

Mr. Smitley said that the PTSO had a very successful Spring Carnival and Silent Auction. He said they are already adding for next year.

Mr. Smitley said that the PTSO is working with the HS student council regarding teacher/staff appreciation week.

Mr. Smitley said that the next meeting in Tuesday, May 14.

This concluded his report

Robert Schickel opened the floor to public comments. Mrs. Liz Beamer discussed the job opportunity for kids 18 and over by working at the election poles. She added that it would be a great learning experience for them.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve ProMedia Group to overhaul the Lanesville Community School Corporation's website. Jaycen Abell made the motion to accept and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple took a moment to discuss the new nursing assistant position that is being developed. He said that Nurse Cassie has been running both Elementary and High School and it is just to overwhelming. He said that there would be further discussion and a posing at the May meeting.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the resignation of Cathy Steiner as cafeteria staff. Ryan Lind made the motion to accept and Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the hiring of Mary Smith and Pamela Linkogle as cafeteria staff. He said these two ladies will be splitting a part time position. Sharon Rothrock made the motion to accept and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve adjustments to the high ability enrichment contract. He said these adjustments included Kate Acton going from 5 days to 3 days and Sarah Wheeler will be adding one day. Tara Smith made the motion to accept and Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve Kevin Smith as the boys c team basketball coach. Ryan Lind made a motion to approve and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the following fundraisers:

HS volleyball camp

HS Volleyball selling flowers

HS volleyball bake sale/cookout on derby day

Art department selling art works that are student produced

Jaycen Abell made a motion to approve and Sharon Rothrock seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Smitley went to the podium to discuss the success of the 4-6 math bowl success. He said that

With no further business, Ryan Lind made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Robert Schickel, President

Sharon Rothrock, Secretary