

LANESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

MAY 21, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Lanesville Community School Board of Trustees was held May 21, 2024 at the high school cafeteria, 2725 Crestview Avenue, NE, Lanesville Indiana. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 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 April 16, 2024 and May 9, 2024 board meetings. Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Ryan Lind made the motion to approve the claims for the month of May. Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Jeff Smitley, Elementary Principal, proceeded with his report.

Mr. Smitley discussed that the Gaga Pit was completed today. He paid special recognition to Tara Dye, Emily Taurman, the entire student council, Matthew Crawford, Daniel Wernert (Wernert Built Homes), Maverick Becht (Lee Building Products) and Jason Miller (Riley's Excavating, LLC) for their hard work and commitment to this project.

Mr. Smitley discussed teacher appreciation week and how very lucky we are to have such a committed PTSO.

Mr. Smitley mentioned that tomorrow is Elementary field day. He extended his thanks to Mrs. Armstrong and all of the parent volunteers that will work to make this a great day.

Mr. Smitley said that awards day is Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> and reports cards will be sent out on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Smitley said he would like to thank the school board for the opportunity to serve this outstanding school and community for the last three years. He said it has been his honor and privilege.

This concluded this report.

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

He said students are preparing for final exams tomorrow and Thursday.

Dr. Voelker said that they took the 8th graders to see a movie on Friday, May 3rd. He said they wanted to do something special for them and hopes to incorporate a couple of more things next year to make junior high different.

He said on Derby Day, Jason Hudson drove the Academic Super Bowl Math Team to Purdue for state and they finished fourth in their division.

Dr. Voelker said the scores for ILEARN and the SAT are not complete and embargoed right now but the early results show growth. Robin Morgan and Bethany Miller went to a College Board workshop on Monday, April 29th, and we hope to use that next year to do a better job of pulling data to see what our students need and what we need to do to improve instruction.

He said our students took AP exams during the first two full weeks of May and we should have those results back in early July.

He said that last week we had one of Floyd Central's ROTC instructors lead Mr. Miller's PE classes and play different games with them. He said the students loved it.

Dr. Volker said we had rain on our Field Day last Friday so it was moved indoors and became gym day but the students had a great time. He said he learned how to use the gaga pit, which was fun. Dr. Volker extended a special thank you to Mrs. Hodge and Mrs. Brown for organizing the day. He added that we also did our SOAR awards on Friday where teachers honored their students. He said it went long so we had to finish it today.

Dr. Volker stated that we had prom and after prom on Saturday night. He said we had around 150 students in attendance and seemed to have a very good time. He said he wanted to thank our junior parents for putting on a tremendous after prom. He added, for the record, I played nine square there.

He said our spring sports are entering the postseason. He said our girls' tennis team won the sectional last week and are playing in the regional tonight. He added that our softball team won 7-5 in nine innings last night in the first round of the sectional. He said they showed great heart and resilience like those girls have many times. He said they gave up a 3 run lead in the bottom of the 7th but found a way to win in 9. He said our baseball team opens sectional play tomorrow night at South Central at 7:00 PM. He added our track teams ended their seasons last week at the sectional and our boys golf team has their sectional on June 3rd.

Dr. Voelker stated that tomorrow night is our senior scholarships and awards assembly at 7:00 PM in the gym and graduation is Friday night at 7:00 PM in the gym.

This concluded his report.

Dr. Apple proceeded with the Superintendent's report.

Dr. Apple said that Senior awards night is tomorrow, May 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym and graduation is Friday, May 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym.

Dr. Apple stated that he would like to thank Harrison Hills Baptist Church for once again having lunch for LCSC employees on Friday, May 24, 2024.

Dr. Apple recognized 2 LCSC employees who are retiring at the end of this year. David Henke, long time art teacher, and Penny Schmelz, long time corporation treasurer. He said they both would be missed.

Dr. Apple mentioned that he and members of the LCSC board of trustees went to Seymour on Monday, April 29 for the ISBA Region 10 Meeting. He said it was a good night to recognize the efforts of school board members in our area and a great night to spend time together.

Dr. Apple said that a survey was sent to parents/guardians of LCSC students today, asking them to identify up to three areas that we can look at improving for the 24-25 school year. He said this data, along with a similar survey that was sent to teachers, will be utilized to assist LCSC in identifying areas of improvement in the coming years.

This concluded his report

The PTSO report was presented by President, Jessica Baird.

Jessica said that teacher appreciation week was May 6<sup>th</sup>. She said they started the week with lattes, box lunches on ELEARNING day, flowers, Gunther's Chop Shop and concluded the week with movie buckets.

Jessica said they would be wrapping up the year with 6<sup>th</sup> grade wrap and field day.

She stated that they voted at their last meeting and the following are the 2024-2025 board members:

Jessica Baird, President  
Cara Robinson, Vice President  
Lauren Wernert, Treasurer  
Rachel Bube, Recording Secretary  
Kelly Winslow, Corresponding Secretary

She followed up that the board would be meeting over the summer to plan their calendar for next school year.

This concluded her report

Robert Schickel opened the floor to public comments. With no one speaking, they proceeded with agenda business.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve posting a new position for a nursing assistant. Jaycen Abell made the motion to accept and Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve April Holder as the new Elementary Principal. Sharon Rothrock made the motion to accept and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve Rachel Gainous as the new K-12 Art teacher. Jaycen Abell made the motion to accept and Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve Candance Kaelin as the new 5-8 counselor. Sharon Rothrock made the motion to accept and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the FFA state convention from June 17-20 at Purdue University for FFA leadership training. Tara Smith made the motion to accept and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the high ability contracts for intercession. Jaycen Abell made the motion to accept and Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the I-Read intercession contracts. Ryan Lind made the motion to accept and Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve a job description change for Dennis Haines. His title will change from "Bus Technician" to "Bus Transportation Coordinator" and will change the pay scale from \$15.00/hr to \$18,000 yearly. Ryan Lind made the motion to accept and Jayce Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the job description change for Carrie Simler. Her title will change from "Corporation Assistant Treasurer" to "Human Resources Director". Tara Smith made the motion to accept and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the following changes regarding corporation bank accounts:

First Savings

Ryan Apple added to the regular checking account

Robert Schickel (board president), Ryan Apple (superintendent) and David Hussung (Township Trustee) added to the Money Market and CD accounts. Removal of Steve Morris, Sharon Rothrock, John Lyskowinski and Ron Wolfe from the Money Market and CD accounts. Removal of Penny Schmelz from all accounts

First Harrison

Removal of Penny Schmelz from all accounts

Trust Indiana

Removal of Penny Schmelz from all accounts

Ryan Lind made the motion to accept and Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the resignation of Kalynda Hoeverer as Agriculture teacher and FFA sponsor. Jaycen Abell made the motion to accept and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the resignation of Anna Stockhoff as success center peer tutoring monitor. Jaycen Abell made the motion to accept and Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the forfeiture of bus #3 contract by Anna Stockhoff effective at the end of the 20243-2024 school year. Tara Smith made the motion to accept and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the first reading of the following polices with a targeted enactment date of July 1, 2024:

- Artificial Intelligence Policy
- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Discrimination Policy
- Employee Travel Policy
- Habitual Truant Policy
- K-12 Electronic Devices in Classrooms Policy
- Release for Religious Instruction Policy
- Student Attendance Policy
- Improper Use of School Resources and Employee Time Policy

Tara Smith made the motion to accept and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve posting a new position for K-12 Assistant Principal. Sharon Rothrock made the motion to accept and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

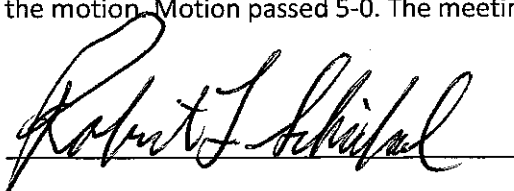
Dr. Apple made the recommendation to approve the following fundraisers:

Volleyball Trivia night and chili supper on August 10th

Youth Soccer camp June 15-18/\$20 player

Sharon Rothrock made a motion to approve and Tara Smith seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

With no further business, Tara Smith made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



Robert Schickel, President



Sharon Rothrock, Secretary