

BOARD BRIEF

January 15, 2019

Board members conducted the Board of Finance meeting at 6:45 p.m.

- The Board of Finance elected all current school board members to serve on the Board of Finance and in the same roles as they serve on the board.
- The Board was also presented an Investing Officers Report.
- A Corporation Investment Policy is being created with help from Church, Church, Hittle & Antrim for the board to review.

Board members met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. and conducted the following business:

- Board Attorney, Andrew Manna, administered the Oath of Office to two new Board members Bill Anderson and Rebecca Ogle; and to re-elected member Amber Willis.
- The Board of School Trustees reorganized as follows:
 - President – Duane Lutz
 - Vice President – Amy Pictor
 - Secretary – Rebecca Ogle
 - Member – Bill Anderson
 - Member – Amber Willis
- Heard from Robb Hedges, Principal of Shamrock Springs, on Before School Enrichment and the value it provides to students at Shamrock Springs. Allison Spaulding, PTO parent in charge of Before School Enrichment, shared information about the variety of clubs offered and the enrollment. Her son, Henry, a student at SSES, shared his excitement for the programs. He stated it was a great way to get the day started and see friends he might not have class with. Art teacher, Rebecca Belu-Henss, shared about some of the clubs she has offered, including “Hot, Sharp and Dangerous.” She said clubs allow the students freedom to learn about and use tools and objects they don’t have access to during the school day. It builds their confidence and independence. Mr. Hedges closed by sharing how the students in the MOSAICS program also participate in clubs and it gives them the opportunity to interact with their peers. He also shared some statistics about the importance of relationships with kids and how he feels the enrichment programs aid in developing peer to peer and peer to teacher relationships.
- Victor Landfair, Skillman Corporation, presented his monthly Construction Update to the board. He shared status of work at each of the buildings under construction – WIS, WMS and WHS. He shared slides showing work done in last 30 days and work projected to be completed in the next 30 days. He also provided the board with information about how much of the contingency dollars have been used to date on each project. [Construction Update presentations](#) are located on our website.

- The Code of Ethics for School Board members as presented by WWS and the Indiana School Boards Association were affirmed by the board members. Each board member will also complete a Conflict of Interest Statement to be submitted to the state.
- The following committee appointments were made:
 - Alumni Hall of Fame Selection Committee Representative: *Amber Willis*
 - Broad Based Planning (High Ability) Committee Representative: *Amy Pictor*
 - Finance Committee Representatives (2): *Duane Lutz, Rebecca Ogle*
 - Health Insurance Committee Representative: *Bill Anderson, Amy Pictor*
 - ISBA Legislative Liaison: *Duane Lutz*
 - Negotiations Committee Representative: *Rebecca Ogle, Amber Willis*
 - Safety Committee Representative: *Bill Anderson, Amber Willis*
 - School Board Policy Liaison: *Amy Pictor*
 - SEL/ Well-being Community Task Force: *Amy Pictor, Amber Willis*
 - Technology Committee: *Bill Anderson*
 - Wellness Committee Liaison: *Amber Willis*
 - Westfield Washington Education Foundation Board Member: *Duane Lutz*
- Dr. Montalone presented the recommendation of Skillman Corporation to serve as the Construction Manager for the pool project. He explained the process used in interviewing the two companies that expressed interest, the rubric used by the committee to evaluate the companies and how the decision was made.

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