

BOARD BRIEF

August 13, 2019

Board members met in executive session at 6 p.m.

The board then met in regular session at 7:04 p.m. and conducted the following business:

- The agenda for the meeting was amended to add the land option extension to the agenda this evening.
- Victor Landfair of Skillman Corporation presented an update on the work done over the summer on all of the construction projects. He shared pictures of work done over the summer and outlined what they continue to work on in each building. He also shared the contingency dollars used to date on each project. All [Construction Updates](#) can be found on our website.
- Approved allowing the superintendent to execute an extension of the land option if the attorney so recommends. This is in regards to the land located on Shamrock Drive adjacent to the old administration building. An option to purchase the land has been exercised.
- Approved a calendar change for the 2019-20 School Year. Now that eLearning is in place, Martin Luther King Jr. and Presidents Day will be official holidays rather than Flex Days. School will not be in session on these days. We will use eLearning if needed for inclement weather.
- Approved the Federal Title I Grant. Five of our schools continue to be eligible and accept funding Title I funds - CRES, MTES, WWES, WIS, and WMS. There was a \$6,740.83 decrease in this funding for this year. Total funds for this year are \$191,212.16. St. Maria Goretti Catholic School participates in this grant.
- Approved the Formative Assessment Grant. The Formative Assessment grant is state grant that we use to fund NWEA for grades K-10. Remaining grant money is used to support professional development needs and the iReady math diagnostic for grades K-6.
- Approved Federal Grant 611/CEIS for Special Education Services. Section 611 authorizes funding to students age 3-22 with special education needs. This year's grant total was for \$1,383,273.25.
- Approved Federal Grant 619 for Special Education Services. Dr. Stinson explained that this grant funds developmental preschool for ages 3 – 5. Developmental Preschool is housed at 5 of our elementary buildings. The grant funds received total \$33,022.
- Brian Tomamichel, CFO, asked for permission to advertise the 2020 budget. This is a requirement per Indiana Law. We will advertise higher numbers than expected in all budgets. State law says we cannot receive more funds than we advertise. We currently

plan to advertise at the beginning of September with the budget hearing taking place at the September board meeting.

- Accepted a grant of \$10,000 for the SSP program from Duke Energy. These funds will be used to provide early literacy training to All Aboard lead teachers and to purchase books that link to classroom curriculum.

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