

LANESVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

February 21, 2023

The monthly executive meeting of the Lanesville Community School Board of Trustees was held February 21, 2023 at the Carl Uessler Corporation Office, 2725 Crestview Avenue, NE, Lanesville Indiana. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by board president, Robert Schickel. Board members who were present at the meeting were as follows:

Robert Schickel, President  
Jaycen Abell, Vice President  
Tara Smith, Member  
Ryan Lind, Member  
Steve Morris, Superintendent

The board met in executive session discussing personnel. No official action was taken.

With no further business, Robert Schickel made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0 The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The regular monthly meeting of the Lanesville Community School Board of Trustees was held February 21, 2023 at the high school cafeteria, 2725 Crestview Avenue, NE, Lanesville Indiana. The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by board president, Robert Schickel. Board members who were present at the meeting were as follows:

Robert Schickel, President  
Jaycen Abell, Vice President  
Tara Smith, Member  
Ryan Lind, Member  
Steve Morris, Superintendent

Robert Schickel said that the board met in executive session on the topics listed and no official action was taken.

Jaycen Abell made the motion to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2023 meeting and the claims for February. Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Jeff Smitley, Elementary Principal presented his report.

Mr. Smitley stated that the donation total for Book Blast was \$26,894.98. This will give 263 students, who participated, 3-10 books each depending on the donation levels. He said that each classroom would receive a set of grade level books for their room. He said the library has \$900 to spend on the "Books are Fun" site for STEM kits, teacher resources and books.

Mr. Smitley said that the PTSO held a silent auction and made a little over \$2000.00. He said that they would be hosting "Donut with a Grown Up" on March 11<sup>th</sup> from 10-11 am. Each student will be allowed to bring two guests.

Mr. Smitley said that there would be a Robotics event this Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> instructed by Mrs. Chuprinskas and Mrs. Dye.

Mr. Smitley said that IREAD testing dates will be March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> for second grade and March 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> for the third grade.

Mr. Smitley said that the STEAM fair will be on March 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. This event will be organized by Mrs. Chuprinskas, Mrs. Geswein and Mrs. Taurman.

Mr. Smitley stated the Kindergarten round up would be held on March 9<sup>th</sup> consisting of two sessions. The first session is 8:30 – 11:00 am and the second is 12:00 – 2:00 pm.

Mr. Smitley said that the math bowl will be March 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 8:00 pm and will be conducted by Mrs. McLane and Mr. Melhiser.

Mr. Smitley said that there would be a state-wide tornado drill conducted on March 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am. He said that we would be participating, however, we will be later in the day due to elementary lunch times.

This concluded his report.

Ryan Apple, Jr/Sr High Principal presented this report.

Dr. Apple said that the Lanesville High School Girls' Basketball will be playing for a state title this Saturday at 10:30 am at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. The link for tickets can be found on the Lanesville Athletics Facebook page.

He stated that the Lanesville 7th grade boys were Harrison County basketball champions this year. This team won it in grades 5, 6 & 7.

Dr. Apple said that Linzie Wernert has been nominated for the MaxPreps Indiana High School Athlete of the Week. A link was sent out to all high school students and parents to allow them to vote for her.

He said that Dakota Puckett was selected by the Jr.-Sr. High School staff as the employee of the quarter for the second quarter. Those that nominated him noted his hard work and pleasant disposition as some of the reasons that they nominated him.

Dr. Apple announced the Prosser Pride Award recipients for the first semester. They were as follows:  
Q2 - Landon Campbell, Emma Davis, Hannah Rowley, Emma Gustin, and Codie Rodewig  
Q1 - Grace Campbell, Renn Wolfe

He said that Juniors will take the SAT test on March 1st.

He said that the FFA pancake breakfast will be this Thursday morning in the gym from 7:00-8:30. The menu includes eggs, sausage, pancakes, milk and coffee. Rumors of biscuits and gravy have been heard as well. Carry-out meals will be available.

He said that a flier was sent to all Lanesville parents regarding a parent workshop centered around internet safety. South Harrison is hosting the event at two separate locations. Tomorrow will be at South Central High School and Thursday will be at Corydon Central High School. Both events will be in the school auditoriums and are from 6:30-7:30pm. The workshop is being put on by the Harrison County Sheriff's Department and the U.S. Secret Service.

This concluded his report.

Steve Morris did not present a report.

Robert Schickel opened the floor to public comments. Mr. Morris outlined the school's public participation policy and limited each speaker to three minutes. Liz Beamer was the only speaker that participated. She asked the board to consider an open forum for the future.

Mr. Morris made the recommendation to approve the removal of outdated and outstanding checks from both the Corporate Ledger and the Extra Curricular Ledger. Tara Smith made a motion to approve the removal of these checks and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Morris made the recommendation to approve Aafka Garlock and Megan Hodge to split homebound services for a student totaling not more than 6 hours per week. Ryan Lind made a motion to approve and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Morris made the recommendation to approve the retirement of Shirley Bryant as first grade teacher at LES at the end of this school year. Jaycen Abell made a motion to approve and Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Morris made the recommendation to approve the resignation of Shelia Ehalt as Elementary Secretary effective June 2023. Tara Smith made a motion to approve and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Morris made a recommendation to approve the hiring of Bobbi Keinsley as a new Kindergarten teacher. Ryan Lind made motion to approve and Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Morris made the recommendation to approve the purchase of 46 acres of land in the amount of up to \$750,000 dollars. Attorney Gordon Engle provided information to change this amount to \$658,500. He stated that, by law, a school corporation can only pay the average of two appraisals, which is \$658,500. Ryan Lind made a motion to approve the change to \$658,500 and Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Attorney Gordon Engle asked that the board give Mr. Morris and himself the authority to begin the legal process to allow the purchase price of \$750,000. This is the amount that was agreed upon with the

Shireman's who are selling the property. Jaycen Abell motioned to approve beginning the legal process and Tara Smith seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Morris made a recommendation to purchase a school bus from Dennis Haines for \$88,000. After discussion with Dr. Apple regarding information he had obtained about the bus, Ryan Lind made motion to approve the purchase. Jaycen Abell seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

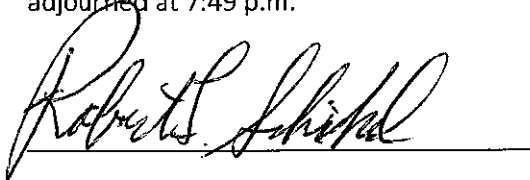
Mr. Morris made the recommendation to approve the following coaches for Spring sports. Tara Smith made the motion to accept and the motion was seconded by Ryan Lind. Motion passed 4-0

- a. Steve Shaffer as Assistant Baseball Coach
- b. Chris Guffey as JV Baseball Coach
- c. Steve Sonner as Varsity Softball Coach
- d. Bill Pierce as Assistant Softball Coach (pending paperwork)
- e. John Hurley as JV Softball Coach
- f. Christina Ordner as Varsity Track Coach
- g. Lauren Petty as JH Track Coach

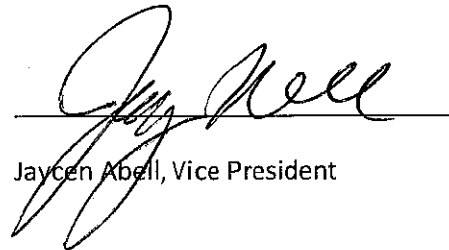
Mr. Morris asked for approval of the following fundraisers. Jaycen Abell made the motion to approve the fundraisers and Ryan Lind seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

- Spanish Costa Rica Trip
- FFA Breakfast

With no further business, Robert Schickel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ryan Lind made the motion to adjourn and Tara Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0 The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.



Robert Schickel, President



Jaycen Abell, Vice President