

Walnut Township Local School District Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 8, 2018
Laker Learning Center
6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order with all members present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Mr. Jason Bletzinger, Strategy Officer with Modern Teacher, presented a teacher professional development program aimed at providing a quality 21st century educational program to the students of Walnut Township Schools.

18-426 Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker to accept the amended agenda as presented by the Treasurer and Superintendent.

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

Public Participation

Mrs. Kelly Manifold presented concerns regarding communications to the public. She wasn't sure what the solution might be. However, her concerns were that the district website was not updated with new Guidance Counselor, no email addresses for the board members and the board minutes were not up-to-date. There was some discussion about the senior packet and information contained in it as well as weighted grades.

18-427 Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

18-428 Motion by Mr. Popo and seconded by Ms. King to approve the Treasurer's Report for September, 2018 as presented.

Roll Call: Mr. Popo-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

18-429 Motion by Mrs. Whitaker and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong to accept the bills paid in September, 2018 as presented.

Roll Call: Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

18-430 Motion by Mr. Popo and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong to approve the Five-Year Forecast for Walnut Township Schools.

Roll Call: Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-no, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

NOTE – The Board was informed of the potential sale of obsolete Chromebooks, which will be offered to staff, students and the public. There were no objections from the board. The money will be put back into the technology department.

Communications:

Jeff Stought, High School Principal - Congratulations to Ken Bruckelmeyer for being inducted into the National Technical Honor Society. Homecoming week was a success and was planned by student council and class officers including a small festival during the evening pep rally and parade. The students learned new ideas to make the event grow in the future. Congratulations to 2018 Homecoming Queen Megan Mohler. Upcoming events include the following tournaments - Soccer on 10/15 @ West Jeff, Volleyball @ Harvest Prep on 10/18, and Cross Country @ Hilliard Darby on 10/20. October 19 ends the first nine weeks of school with report cards going home on 10/26. The teachers attended a county in-service on 9/24 where the Drug Task Force presented in three sessions. They will be doing a presentation in the high school on 10/30 with the time to be announced. Please email Mr. Stought @ jstought@walnuttsd.org with any announcements that you may have for the high school.

Randy Cotner, Supt. reported in the absence of Ms. Yenni, Elementary Principal - Upcoming events include 10/19 Halloween Dance 6:30-8:30, 10/20 Bus Safety, 10/22-10/23 ELA testing, 10/25 picture retakes, 10/26 reports cards and 10/31 classroom Halloween parties.

- Terra Hivnor (subbed for Jill when she had her knee surgery) and the Victory Hill Church in Carroll delivered 3 huge bags of feminine products for the girls at both schools.
- The Pub Paddle sent a huge box of socks, under clothes, sweat pants and shirts that will benefit both buildings.
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Randy Cotner, Supt. reported in the absence of Mr. Yates, Maint/Transp Supervisor - We are having AC issues with the fall weather. The shrubs in front of the elementary have been removed and we are getting quotes and ideas from landscapers for replacement ideas. Kelly Manifold suggested that maybe the career center students could do this as a project. There are 2 new barns behind the elementary building which belong to the Music Boosters and the Little Lakers. Some of the golf carts rented for homecoming were vandalized over the weekend. Police and insurance reports are being processed.

November Board meeting will be moved to 7:00 PM due to the Capitol Conference.

Randy Cotner, Supt. – The Superintendent and Treasurer presented Financial Goals and Planning recommendations. Also discussed, is the need to increase our teacher sub rate. The board requested information on the teacher sub costs paid by other Fairfield County school districts.

Superintendent's Recommendations

18-431 Motion by Ms. King and seconded by Mrs. Keller to accept the quote for vehicle insurance for the period of October 12, 2018-October 12, 2019 in the amount of \$11,884.62 from Auto Owners insurance Co.

Roll Call: Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Mr. Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Popo -yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes. Motion carried.

18-432 Motion by Ms. King and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong to approve the resolution authorizing the purchase of competitive retail natural gas service from the lowest responsible bid submitted to META Solutions for the period commencing July 2020 and terminating no later than June 2025.

Roll Call: Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations

18-433 Motion by Mr. Popo and seconded by Ms. King to amend Motion #17-386 to change the Salary Schedule for Ashley Lawson, HS Science Teacher, from BA/Step 8 to BA+150/Step 8.

Roll Call: Mr. Popo-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

18-434 Motion by Mr. Popo and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker to accept the resignation of Cheryl Turner, Spelling Bee Coordinator, effective October 3, 2018.

Roll Call: Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

18-435 Motion by Mrs. Armstrong and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker to approve the following certified person(s) to be employed under supplemental contract(s) for a period of one year, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year and ending in June of 2019. Salary terms and conditions of these supplemental contract(s) to be consistent with the descriptors contained in the appropriate negotiated Master Agreement between the Walnut Township Education Association and the Walnut Township Local Board of Education, pending receipt of all required documents (**all contracts contingent upon sufficient participation**)

<u>Person</u>	<u>Position</u>
Laura Phillips	Spelling Bee Coordinator

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

18-436 Motion by Mrs. Armstrong and seconded by Ms. King to hire Tammy Houchen as a substitute Nurse at \$16.00/hour, on an as-needed basis, for the 2018-2019 school year, pending proper certification and receipt of all required documents.

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

18-437 Motion by Mr. Popo and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong to hire Lynne Lincoln as a Home Instruction teacher at \$20.00/hour, on an as-needed basis, for the 2018-2019 school year (there were no Walnut Township Intervention Specialists interested in this position), pending proper certification and receipt of all required documents.

Roll Call: Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

18-438 Motion by Mrs. Armstrong and seconded by Mrs. Keller to approve the following individual(s) as a substitute, to be used on an as-needed basis, through the 2018-2019 school year in positions determined to be appropriate by school district administrators, pending receipt of all required documents:

Carrie Smith

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes.
Motion carried.

18-439 Executive Session

Motion by Ms. King and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker, to go into Executive Session to consider the employment of a public employee or official.

(Time: 8:27 p.m.)

Roll Call: Ms. King-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion carried.

Reconvened to Open Session.

(Time: 9:20 p.m.)

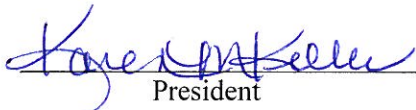
18-440 Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker, to adjourn the meeting.

(Time: 9:30p.m.)

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Ms. King-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes.
Motion: Carried

I certify these minutes are correct.



President



Treasurer

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings of the Board and Board-appointed committees are open to the public. In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted at each meeting. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used.

Facility Usage:

Facility Usage Requests 2018-2019			
Group	Facility	Date	Purpose
Elementary Student Council (Katie Gilreath)	Elementary Cafeteria	11/4/2018 12:00-5:00pm (event 1-4)	Pallet Painting Party (fundraiser)
FCA Football (Anthony Turner, A.D.-FCA)	HS Football Field/Dressing Rooms	8/24/2018 - 7:30pm 9/1/2018 - 7:00pm 10/6/2018 - 7:00pm 10/27/2018 - 7:00pm	HS Varsity Home Football Games for Fairfield Christian Academy
Little Laker Football (Teresa Thompson)	Football Field	10/7/2018 10/13/2018 or 10/14/2018 (2:00-6:00pm)	Little Laker Football games
Biddy Volleyball Practice/Game (Dena Hannigan)	Elementary/HS Gym	practices Wednesdays (6-8pm) (Sept 12 thru Oct 17) Host 10/14/18 (1-8pm)	Biddy League Volleyball
Girl Scout Troop 1154 (Amanda Bruckelmeyer)	Elementary Cafeteria	2nd & 4th Wed. each month Sept. 12 thru May 8 5:30-7:00pm	Girl Scout Troop meetings, work times and activities
Girl Scout Daisy Troop 7571 (Michelle Wilson)	Elementary Cafeteria	Mondays - bi-weekly Sept 17 thru May 20 (and Nov 5) 5:45-7:15pm	Daisy Troop meetings
Laker PTO (Libbey Qurshi)	Elementary Gym & Cafeteria	Friday, October 19, 2018	Laker PTO Fall Halloween Dance
Millersport Youth Basketball (Megan Terry & Shawn Johnston)	HS Commons	October 10, 17, 24 7:00-8:00 pm	Youth Basketball Sign-ups