

- adopted a resolution recognizing and commending the Elkhart Central Blazer Baseball Team for achieving the standards of merit necessary to win the 2013 Indiana High School Athletic Association Class 4A Baseball State Championship. Superintendent Haworth presented a signed copy of the resolution to Coach Steve Stutsman. On behalf of the team, Athletic Director Brian Buckley, thanked the Board for their support and Dr. Haworth for following and supporting the team throughout the season and presented him with a State Championship medal. Mr. Buckley also reported the baseball team is not only successful on the field, but in the classroom, the team carries a 3.3 GPA.
- accepted with appreciation an anonymous donation of \$3,000.00 made to the Elkhart Central baseball team to purchase state championship rings for each player and coach.
- congratulated, expressed gratitude, and presented plaques of distinction to administrative retirees: Dr. John Hutchings, director of Student Services; Jim Rice, assistant director at the Career Center; and Phil Stillson, assistant principal at Central. Dr. Haworth thanked them for making a career out of caring for our most precious gifts. Dr. Hutchings stated during his 35 years, he has worked for four superintendents and thanked the board for being a school system for all students. Mr. Stillson reported his 37 year career has been a great ride and he has enjoyed working with all of the teachers, coaches and administrators. Mr. Rice indicated as the baby of the retirees with 20 years he has enjoyed the span of his career at the elementary, middle school and high school level.
- granted permission for the administration to advertise for the annual auction to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 27th, at the service building located at 1135 Kent Street.
- received the financial report for January 1 – May 31, 2013. In response to Board inquiry, Doug Hasler, executive director of support services, indicated the accounts with negative balances are due to the fact the expenditures must be made before requesting state and federal reimbursements. Reimbursement requests were made on May 1, 2013; it took 44 days to receive the monies. Of the \$2.4 million in negative balances as of May 31st, \$1.7 million has been received to date.
- approved food service bids with a grand total of all bids of \$3,243,169.89 to the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidders: food/cleaning supplies to Gordon Food Service, Stanz Food Services, and Commercial Foods; fresh produce to Gordon Food Service and Piazza Produce; beverage ala-carte to Commercial Foods, Gordon Food Service, and Stanz Food Services, ice cream bids to Hershey; commodity bids to Gordon Food Service, Stanz Food Service, and Commercial Foods; supply bids to Gordon Food Service, Par-Pak, Wallace Packaging, Stanz Food Services, Daxwell and Central Poly; bakery supply bids to Alpha, Kreamo Bakers, Aunt Millie's Bakeries and Gordon Food Service and dairy supply bids to Prairie Farms. Bids submitted by Fox River Foods for food/cleaning, supplies, produce, beverage ala-carte, commodities and supply bid were not accepted; as such bids were not responsive to the bid specifications established by ECS for the bidding of these products. In response to Board inquiry, Pam Melcher, director of food services, reported it is still a challenge to get bids for fresh produce. The Board thanked her for all the work involved in securing the bids.

-adopted a resolution to transfer funds from the Bus Replacement Fund into the Rainy Day Fund up to \$2 million. Mr. Hasler reported the first installment of property taxes should be received this week, so the actual amount to be transferred should be \$1.5 million. With the 2-year moratorium on new bus purchases, there should be opportunity next year to transfer funds into the fund. The current balance of the Rainy Day fund is \$8,072,244.19 before this year's transfer. Mr. Hasler indicated while the General Fund does not have an immediate need for funds, the Transportation Operating Fund will have the most direct need in the coming year.
-approved the appointment of Dr. John Hutchings to serve on the Board of Directors of the Elkhart Community School (ECS) Building Corporation. The ECS Building Corporation facilitates lease-rental bond financing of school building projects and is a separate and distinct entity from Elkhart Community Schools.
-awarded the bid for the Mary Feeser Chiller Installation project to A Hattersley of Ft. Wayne, IN as the lowest and best, most responsive and most responsible bidder in the amount of \$72,850.
-approved proposed revisions and waived second reading to Board Policy GCBA, Administrative Salary Schedule. Doug Thorne, executive director of personnel and legal services, indicated the changes are needed due to the elimination of some positions and reallocation of those responsibilities. The Assistant Superintendent for Instruction will not have the car benefit as this has been eliminated for this position.
- approved submission of the federal Title 1 grant application to the Indiana Department of Education for the 2013-2014 school year. Beth Williams, Supervisor of Federal Programs reported funds are determined by the census and poverty figures and the cost of education in each state. This year's grant totals \$4,636,504.60 and may only be used as mandated. Off-the-top expenses to be set aside: district – wide administration and professional development for all Title 1 schools, parent involvement, and improvement for those students most at risk. Title 1 funding for 2013-2014 will provide programming at eleven Elkhart Schools: Beardsley, Beck, Bristol, Daly, Hawthorne, Monger, Osolo, Pierre Moran Middle School, Riverview, Roosevelt, and Woodland Elementary Schools, and one non-public school: St. Vincent DePaul.
- approved the submission of a grant application to Safe Schools/Healthy Students 2013 Grant for Indiana.
- approved an overnight trip request for members of the Central High School boy's basketball team to travel to Turkey Run State Park in Terre Haute, IN on June 28-29, 2013, to participate in team activities and a shoot out.
- confirmed the employment of the following twelve (12) certified staff for the 2013-2014 school year: Raymond Collins, public safety at the Career Center; Brandy Crise, language arts at North Side; Emily Fell, FAC at West Side; Jill Hammontree, fourth grade at Roosevelt; Carla Henderson, child care at Career Center; Michael Henderson, language arts at Memorial; Karrie Kolbow, fifth grade PEP at Bristol; Laura Krause, psychologist TBD; Kyle Miller, orchestra at Pierre Moran; Talandra Neff, academic dean at Woodland; Brittany Sears, sixth grade at Beck; and Michele Zachary, EMT at Career Center.

..... confirmed resignation of the following two (2) certified staff members: Kelsey Deckard, art at West Side and Joann Elder, intervention at Daly.

.....approved a separation agreement and general release for a classified employee.

..... confirmed the resignation of the following two (2) classified employees: Fany Buezo-Arevalo, ESL technical assistant at Pierre Moran; and Jodee Shaw, communications coordinator at ESC.

..... heard from Dr. Haworth when he started a year ago, he began evaluating how to achieve cost savings by eliminating positions as teachers and administrators retired. He listed the eliminated positions with cost savings including benefits: the Director of Curriculum and Instruction, \$120,000.00; a Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction, \$95,000.00; and a Chief Academic Officer, \$88,000.00. Dr. Haworth indicated with these eliminations there is some need to add in some administrative support. By unanimous action, the Board confirmed the following administrative appointments: David Benak, principal at Career Center; John Hill, assistant superintendent of Instruction; Jeffery Komins, principal at Roosevelt; Bruce Klonowski, community engagement manager at ESC; Frank Kurth, assistant principal at Memorial; Micah Lambert, assistant principal at Daly; Arlene Silba, principal at Hawthorne; Tessa Sutton, assistant principal at Roosevelt; Mary Teeter, assistant principal at Hawthorne; and Andrew Wood assistant principal at Central.

..... heard from Dr. Haworth as he is coming to the end of his first year, he and his family felt very welcomed by the City with a heart. Although there have been a few bumps in the road, there have been many more enjoyable moments meeting all of the incredible employees. He thanked the Board for the opportunity and looks forward to many more years at ECS.

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