The School Board... June 14, 2016

......accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): \$177.50 from Safe Fleet Mirrors to be used for a bullying prevention initiative; and a 2000 GMC Safari van valued at \$1,087.00 from DuMor Water Specialists to the Elkhart Area Career Center (EACC) to be used in the automotive technology and automotive refinishing/collision repair classes.

......accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Project Y: Monetary Donations: \$3,000.00 from Conn-Selmer and \$500.00 from Tom Naquin Auto Group. Inkind Donations: A-One Apparel, Signs & Designs for art and screen charges plus shipping on t-shirts (\$1,500.00), Beacon Medical Group for 1 gallon of sunscreen (\$200.00), the Elkhart Truth for a full page ad (\$2,593.75), and Welch Packaging for 8 cardboard corn hole sets (\$400.00). Assistance: the following City of Elkhart Departments – Aviation, Emergency Management, Fire, Parks & Recreation, and Police; Community Foundation of Elkhart County; ECS staffs from Building Services, Food Services, Central High School (CHS), and Memorial High School (MHS); and Kiwanis Club of Elkhart; In-kind Donations from Food Service vendors: Acosta, Alpha Baking, Commercial Foods, Dr. Pepper Snapple, General Mills, Gordon Food Services, Jones, JTM, Kellogg's, Martin's Supermarkets, Michael's Food, Milford Valley, Pepsi, Pepsi Co/Frito Lay, Piazza Produce, Prairie Farms, Ritchie Marketing, Schwan's, SMART Systems, Stanz Food Service, Twisted Cow, and Waypoint.

......was presented a Resolution for Internal Control for initial consideration by Kevin Scott, chief financial officer. The State Board of Accounts has advised schools statewide of a requirement to adopt a resolution acknowledging an Indiana code requirement that each school district follow the minimum internal control standards outlined in IC 5-11-1-27. The resolution will be brought to the Board for adoption at the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

......approved food service bids with a grand total of all bids of \$3,241,312.62 to the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidders: food bids to Gordon Food Service, Stanz Food Service, and Commercial Foods; commodity bids to Gordon Food Service and Stanz Food Service; fresh produce to Gordon Food Service and Piazza Produce; supply bids to Gordon Food Service, Stanz Food Service, Wallace Packing, Daxwell, Central Poly Corp., and Commercial Foods; fresh bakery bids to Alpha Bakers and Aunt Millie's; frozen bakery bids to Gordon Food Service and Stanz Food Service; and dairy bids to Prairie Farms and Gordon Food Service.

...... approved proposed school fundraisers in accordance with Board policy. The funds raised through the listed activities are deposited into each school's extra-curricular fund.

....... approved extra-curricular purchase for CHS choir to purchase 11 blue dresses and 22 glitter pins for \$1,400.63 to be used by Shades of Blue.

....... approved proposed new Board Policy DP – Materiality and Process for Reporting Material Items, as initially presented at the Board's May 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

 heard Levon Johnson, supervisor of corporate/community partnerships, provide an update on secondary partnerships. Mr. Johnson reported on the five areas of partnerships: financial, advisory board, curricular, extra-curricular, and service organizations. His research has shown the elementary schools have more partnerships than secondary. Strong support comes from the Elkhart Education Foundation, Five Star, Lifeline, Boys and Girls Club, and Church Community Services, as well as Premier Arts at Pierre Moran and Drums Alive at West Side. Continuing efforts are being made to bring in more partners, meet with the roundtable for business education, and work with career pathways.
 approved new course offerings in accordance with Board policy. New courses include: American Sign Language I, II, III, and IV, Science Research - Independent Study, Jewelry, and Digital Design.
 approved revisions to the 2016-2017 Board Meeting Schedule.
 adopted a resolution regarding the purchase of real estate at 1000 McPherson Street and a Lease Agreement subsequent to the purchase.
 approved proposed revisions and waived second reading of Board Policy GDBA-10 – Employees in Miscellaneous Positions Compensation Plan effective July 1, 2016.
 confirmed a grant application submitted to the Dollar General Literacy Grant for a GrapeSEED Literacy Grant from Hawthorne Elementary.
 approved an overnight trip request for Pinewood's sixth grade classes to travel to Camp Friedenswald, in Cassopolis, MI on September 7 thru 9 for an environmental outdoor/team building experience.
 approved an agreement regarding retirement and severance benefits for a certified staff member.
 approved regular employment for the following six (6) certified staff members for the 2016-2017 school year: Sammuel Brown, TBD/elementary; Aaron Fitz, math at Central; Wendy Goley, TBD/elementary; Abigail Kimbrell, TBD/elementary; Rachel Mallo, TBD/elementary; and Jennifer Summers, science at Memorial.
 confirmed retirement of the following three (3) certified staff members on the dates indicated with years of service in parenthesis: Toni McDougal, supervisor of special education, 6/30/16 (41); Martha Strickler, principal at Cleveland, 6/15/16 (19); and Bernadette Taylor, assistant principal at Memorial, 6/24/16 (11).

...... confirmed the resignation of the following six (6) certified staff members: Daniel Farison, music at Pierre Moran; Megan Farison, music at Memorial; Michelle Foster, grade 5 at Daly; Lori Hoese, math at West Side; Derek Swartzendruber, science at Central; and Molly Wain, grade 1 at Riverview.

...... parental leave for Megan Fitz, grade 2 PEP at Pinewood.

- approved a consent agreement regarding retirement and severance benefits for a classified employee.
  approved regular employment for the following three (3) classified employees who have successfully completed their probationary period: Telitha Army, food service at Beck; Tamara Hockabout, secretary at EACC; and Therese Kauffman, custodian at Beardsley.
  confirmed the resignation of the following four (4) classified employees: Gladys Ballard, custodian at Pierre Moran; Jeffrey Coyner, electrician at Building Services; Antoinette Robinson, food service at Hawthorne; and Veronica Santana, paraprofessional at Beck.
- ...... approved the termination of a classified employee in accordance with Board Policy GDPD, Section 1, c, g.
- ...... confirmed the Superintendent's administrative appointment of Jeff Komins to Energy Education Specialist/Elementary Activities.
- ...... authorized ECS to support a Regional Cities of Northern Indiana project application for the Market District Ice Sports Facility. The Elkhart Community School System is one of the municipal partners in the project and plans to employ this project as an academic and athletic competitive attraction tool in the development of their enrollment, talent and retention efforts. This project helps to diversify the recreational sports activities in the region providing more opportunity for fitness, wellness and community interaction for families, business and school systems.
- ...... recognized Dan Burton, band at Central and Pierre Moran, and Tim Carnall, band at Memorial and West Side for receiving Michiana Outstanding Music Educator Awards.
- ...... requested Board Policy BHD Board Member Compensation, Insurance and Expenses be revised to eliminate "up to a limit of twelve (12) such meetings or work sessions per year shall be paid." from Section 1.B. The requested policy revisions will be brought before the Board at the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.