

-accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): \$500.00 to Memorial High School's (MHS) volleyball program from Boling Vision Center; and \$10,240.00 from MHS Booster Club to the MHS athletic department to purchase items in each sport program as follows: \$1,000 each to football, girls golf, boys basketball, girls basketball, wrestling, and softball; \$840 to boys golf; \$600 to cross country; \$500 each to volleyball, boys soccer, girls soccer, and swimming; and \$150 each to boys tennis and girls tennis.
- approved textbook rental fees for the 2017-2018 school year as follows: Kindergarten \$48; grade 1 \$110; grade 2 \$100; grade 3 \$107; grade 4 \$91; grade 5 \$72; and grade 6 \$87. Middle school and high school fees are based on subjects in which student is enrolled.
- heard Kevin Scott, chief financial officer, provide the current insurance report including medical plan experience costs with compared year-to-date. This report will be provided at the second meeting of each month going forward.
- 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 proposed revisions to Board Policy 2623 - Student Assessment, as initially presented at the July 11th regular meeting.
- approved proposed revisions to Board Policy 5460 - Graduation Requirements, as initially presented at the July 11th regular meeting.
- approved proposed revisions to Board Policy 5530 - Drug Prevention, as initially presented at the July 11th regular meeting.
- approved proposed revisions to Board Policy 8400 - School Safety, as initially presented at the July 11th regular meeting.
- approved proposed revisions and waived second reading of Board Policy 3422.06s - Secretarial/Business Compensation Plan.
- was presented revisions to Board Policy 5410 - Promotion and Retention of Students, for initial review.
- approved a revision to the 2017-2018 School Calendar. The revision reflected the date change for Memorial's graduation from June 10th to June 8th.
- was presented the 2018 Board of School Trustees meeting schedule, for initial review.

-heard Dawn McGrath, deputy superintendent, introduce Ashley Molyneaux, Elkhart Education Foundation, Executive Director to present the recent Elkhart Education Foundation's grant requests. A total of \$29,214.78 was granted as follows: \$18,510.78 for 2017 Fall teaching grant requests and \$9,704.00 for 2017 Fall extra-curricular grants.
- approved regular employment for the following certified staff members for the 2017-2018 school year: Amanda Brandy, Kindergarten at Daly; Sara Chrobot, Kindergarten at Riverview; Alexa Fields, grade 5 at Hawthorne; Lorinda Kline, instructional coach at Pierre Moran; Shelbi Krecik, art at Monger; Trisha Kucera, world culture at Hawthorne; Holli Ness, grade 6 at Roosevelt; and Shannon Stanley, grade 1 at Roosevelt.
-confirmed the retirement of certified staff member, Earl Knudson, science at Pierre Moran with 19 years of service.
- approved maternity leave for the following two (2) certified staff members: Jessica Schibley, science at Central, and Randi Weidman, special education at Woodland.
- confirmed the resignation of the following ten (10) certified staff members: Lindsey Blackford, grade 4 at Daly; Jon Cerling, science at Memorial; Marilyn Cregier, counselor at Central; Angela Garcia, ENL at Central; Kristine Martin, business at Central; Jineane McCraner, grade 1 at Roosevelt; Danielle Miller, psychologist at ESC; Stacy Shields, math at Memorial; Carolyn Repaich, intervention at Osolo; and Jason Yoder Rupp, math at Central.
- confirmed the resignation of the following two (2) classified employees: Lori Beber, paraprofessional at Central, and Staci Franson, secretary at Central.
-confirmed the retirement of the following two (2) classified employees: Mary Yoder Holsopple, bully prevention coordinator at ESC with 18 years of service; and Gayle Tripp, paraprofessional at Roosevelt with 34 years of service.
-heard from Dwight Fish, 4th District City Councilman, regarding the current school crossing guards funding issue. Mr. Fish stated he is in favor of the City paying for the guards as recommended and in the budget provided by the Chief of Police. Mr. Fish hopes the City and schools to be as one to consolidate the community along with the schools merging. Mr. Fish would like to see meetings between the school board, council, and the Mayor.
-heard from Andy Williams, former school board member, regarding the current school crossing guards funding issue. Mr. Williams also supports the City funding the guards and stated he knows the school board is eager to meet with the council. He referenced the following: 'When two elephants fight, it's the grass that suffers'.
- heard Board member, Karen Carter, respond to the speakers. Mrs. Carter stated the Board has talked with the Council and none of the requested information such as wages, number of and location of guards was provided. Mrs. Carter stated she had personally sent an email to Brian Dickerson and has not received a reply. Mrs. Carter clarified the Board has been in communication and continues to try to communicate with the Council.

- was presented the Communication Plan for first reading by Superintendent, Rob Haworth.
- approved a request from the administration, presented by Dr. Haworth, to grant the administration the authority to negotiate and enter into a lease with DRTY, LLC for temporary office space to be used by the school district.
- heard Board member, Doug Weaver comment on the presence of a Boy Scout in the audience. While introducing himself, Jason Maxson, stated his attendance was helping him earn a merit badge. Board President, Susan Daiber, invited Jason to assist her in adjourning the meeting.