

- heard Board Secretary Jeri Stahr recite the Elkhart Promise.
-welcomed Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC) representatives from both high schools: Nolan Grose , a senior from Memorial High School (MHS), has participated in SSAC for four years, and is on the football and baseball teams. Mr. Grose reported MHS had a total of 77 events between band, choir, and orchestra in the months of January and February with qualifying for state solo and ensemble. In sports, boys basketball sectionals will begin on February 27th, the draw for sectional play will be Sunday, February 18th; girls basketball made it to semi-finals; swim team sectionals are Thursday; and in wrestling, Christian Mejia and Bryton Goering will be participating in the state tournament this weekend. Mr. Grose invited everyone to attend a sendoff for the wrestlers Friday morning. Maria McComish, a sophomore from Central High School (CHS), reported the following athletic successes: Nick Conner and Xander Stround have advanced to the state wrestling meet; Sydney Dygert and Hadley Malloy both competed at the state level last weekend; Katie Fraser was state runner-up in bowling last Saturday. Ms. McComish also reported on the upcoming vocal and piano competitions; Winter Guards consistent top five finishes; the spring musical will be James and the Giant Peach; and Blazerfest is set for March 29th.
-accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): \$500 from Dr. and Mrs. Richard Boling School to MHS for the girls/boys track team; \$500 from the Elkhart Rotary Club to Monger for the purchase of high interest book series for our library; a Bach Mercedes trumpet (valued at \$300); \$750 from CTS Corporation to the ElkLogics robotics club for supplies; and \$500 from Global Link Distribution Corp. and \$100 from Ciren Group to CHS for supplies for the dance marathon club.
-heard Rod Roberson, director of co-curricular programming, introduce the following groups of students being recognized for academics, clubs and sports.
-heard Tracy Korn, co-coach of EFF5 robots club, introduce team members Daniel Sailor, Evan Sailor (not present), Jayson Margush and Michael Korn. The team recently competed against 27 other teams in the Northwest Indiana Qualifying Tournament, winning the Rockwell Collins Innovate Award for elegant design, ingenuity, and out-of-the-box thinking, as well as qualifying for state championships on February 24th.
-heard Mindy Shaw, Pinewood principal, introduce the members of the Pinewood Science Bowl Team who placed 5th in the recent competition: Andrew Lyon, Christopher Christensen, Anishka Amalnathan, Maria Quintero, Aangee Mehta, Owen Marks, Alessa Sullivan, Jenna Radeline, Jacob Bennett, and Nidhi Patel. A couple of the students gave brief descriptions of some of the science projects including convection and radiation, and land and sea breezes.
-heard Jane Slabaugh, bowling coach, introduce Katie Fraser, a sophomore at CHS, on her second place finish in the state bowling tournament. Mrs. Slabaugh also announced Ms. Fraser has been named to the All-State bowling team.

- heard Brian Buckley, CHS athletic director, thank the Board for the opportunity to recognize student athletes. Mr. Buckley introduced the following athletes along with their coaches: Wrestling – Nick Conner and Xander Stround; Swimming – Sydney Dygert and Hadley Malloy; and the girls basketball team, sectional champs - Katey Gaff, Mady Miller, Julee Miller, Trinitee Harris, Devine Johnson, Jayda Miller, Krisen Hunt, Abbey Miller, Ay'Zyana Billings-Tiller, Kaitlyn Costner, Makayla Roundtree, Tayrn Roberson, Evan Hobik, Raleyah Ross, Aujanæ Miller, and Michaela Whitaker.
- heard Dan Burton, Pierre Moran band director, introduce Pastor Daniel Forehand and Craig Henkler, project coordinator, of Grace Lutheran Church. The church was presented a partnership award for its on-going contributions of instruments to students. To date, the group has collected, refurbished, and donated 15 instruments. In return for the instruments, the recipients promise to continue to high school band, have no suspensions and participate in a community service project.
- heard Jeff Komins, energy education specialist/elementary activities, review the annual energy audit report. Mr. Komins stated ECS had another great year in cost avoidance in 2017, surpassing the previous year's cost avoidance totals for nine out of the 12 months. A new record of \$1,314,497 (32%) in cost avoidance for the 2017 year which is an increase of \$36,540 from last year.
- approved extra-curricular purchase requests from Pierre Moran Middle School for ISTEP t-shirts in the amount of \$2,868.00; and from Memorial High School for the orchestra to attend the Chicago symphony and food at Giordano's in the amounts of \$4,300.25 and \$1,145.00, respectively.
- 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.
- was presented revisions to Administrative Regulation GDBA10 – Miscellaneous Position Pay Schedule as initially presented at the January 23rd regular meeting.
- was presented revisions to Administrative Regulation JC – School District Boundaries regarding Roosevelt initially presented at the January 23rd regular meeting.
- approved submission of the following grants: Lowe's Small Toolbox Educational Grant to Lowe's in the amount of \$2,500 from EACC; and the Elkhart Education Foundation's Spring Extracurricular Grants: MHS ski club \$500 for start up fees; MHS unified track \$600 logo on warm-ups; MHS boys and girls golf \$604.95 for practice equipment; MHS Anime club \$650 for transportation to convention in Chicago; CHS EFF5 robotics \$1,250 for Inspiron computers; EMH and CHS \$2,000 for Washington, DC trip fees; Mary Daly \$3,194.95 for Dashing Through the Halls project; ECS \$5,000 to assist with author, Eric Litwin's speaking fees; Monger \$5,000 for the learning garden and courtyard; and ECS \$5,000 for rowing club equipment.

- approved the following overnight trip requests for CHS: girls basketball to travel to LaPorte for regional competition on February 9 -10, 2018; gymnastics to travel to Logansport, IN for competition on February 9 -10, 2018; swim/dive team to travel to Indianapolis, IN for state competition on February 8 -10, 2018; and wrestlers to travel to Fort Wayne, IN for semi-state competition on February 9 -10, 2018; and for MHS marching band to travel to Orlando, FL to perform at a theme park, and educational experiences at Kennedy Space Center on April 1 – 7, 2018.
- approved consent agreements regarding unpaid time for six (6) certified staff members.
- confirmed the retirement of the following three (3) certified staff members: Cheryl Gough, physical education at Pinewood; Lynne Gwin, music at North Side; and Susan Holycross, grade 4 at Pinewood.
- confirmed the resignation of certified staff member Laurie Kaiser, grade 4 at Hawthorne.
- approved a maternity leave for certified staff member, Jennifer Mohrback, grade 2 at Hawthorne.
- approved regular employment for the following eleven (11) classified employees who have successfully completed their probationary period: Janet Barnes, food service at Bristol; Travon Curry, misc. parent/community liaison at Roosevelt; Courtney Duerksen, custodian at Beardsley; Katrina Healy, paraprofessional at Cleveland; Yolanda Ivory, food service at Osolo; Corey Mull, support tech I at Tech Services; Rosa Ramirez-Arias, paraprofessional at Hawthorne; Marvett Roberts, food service at North Side; Susan Roberts, paraprofessional at Riverview; Christina Wilds, food service at Memorial; and Mara Zapata Sanchez, paraprofessional at Bristol.
- confirmed the resignation of the following five (5) classified employees: Laura Allard, food service at Pinewood; Jalethia Black, food service at Monger; Gary Sawtelle, director of technology at Tech Services; Amanda Schenk, paraprofessional at Eastwood; and Tiffany Vos, bus driver at Transportation.
- approved the termination of two (2) classified employees in accordance with Board Policy 3139.01s a, b, c, f.
- heard Board member Susan Daiber invite everyone to participate in Trivia Night sponsored by the Elkhart Education Foundation, noting it is their biggest fundraiser of the year.
- heard Board Vice President, Doug Weaver, thanked all those who made the recent Military Ball possible.