

..... met at North Side Middle School.

..... heard Board Vice President Doug Weaver recite the Elkhart Promise.

.....accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): a television and stand that has been converted into a mobile tech station for student use (valued at \$300) from Bill Murray and Dina Harris-Murray to Mary Beck Elementary; and \$500 from NiSource Charitable Foundation to the ElkLogics robotics club for supplies.

..... adopted a resolution, by a vote of 4 yea and 2 nay, regarding the 2018 Educational Services Center Renovation/Expansion project authorizing the administration to enter into a Lease with the Elkhart Community School Building Corporation and to approve the issuance of bonds by the Elkhart Community School Building Corporation regarding improvements at the Educational Services Center. Kevin Scott, chief financial officer, reviewed the process and Randy Rompola of Barnes & Thornburg reported a tentative lease, not-to-exceed term of 22 years regarding the Educational Services Center Renovation/Expansion project. The final terms will be dependent upon the bond sale. Mr. Rompola also noted the Elkhart Community School Building Corporation met earlier in the day and approved the Lease pending ECS Board approval; and a hearing date has been set for April 10th.

..... tabled the following two resolutions: 2018 High School Renovation Project and 2018 Elkhart Area Career Center Annex Building Project.

..... 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.

.....heard the monthly insurance update from Mr. Scott. Mr. Scott stated January 2018 claims were lower than January 2017, but exceeded the projection by \$95,000.

..... approved proposed revisions and waived second reading of Board Policy 3410.04CS – Substitute Compensation. Doug Thorne, district counsel/ chief of staff, clarified the requested changes affect substitutes in long-term positions.

..... approved proposed revisions and waived second reading of Board Policy 3422.06S – Secretarial/Business Compensation Plan. Mr. Thorne stated the change affects one position in the Business Office, changing the classification of IV to V, due to additional duties and is retroactive to January 1, 2018, when the additional duties commenced.

..... approved proposed revisions and waived second reading of Board Policy 3422.13S – Employees in Therapists' Compensation Plan. Mr. Thorne stated the revision creates a full time Board Certified Behavior Analyst position.

..... approved the following overnight trip requests: Central Blazeline to travel to Indianapolis, IN for regional competition on March 9-11, and to Avon, IN to qualify for state finals on March 23-24; and confirmed the Elkhart Area Career Center small engine students travel to Schaumburg, IL on February 23-25 to demonstrate skills for upcoming state contest.

- confirmed employment of certified staff member, Machel Seese, special education at Roosevelt.
- approved a maternity leave for certified staff member, Julie Clarke, grade 3 at Bristol.
- approved regular employment for classified employee, Yoselin Antonio, food service at West Side, who has successfully completed her probationary period.
- confirmed the retirement of classified employee, Rhonda Landgraf, social worker at PACE, with 23 years of service.
- confirmed the resignation of the following three (3) classified employees: Sara Lewter, food service at Memorial; Carole Logan, food service at Eastwood; and Barbara Smith, bus driver at Transportation.
- requested a work session be set for Friday, March 2nd at North Side Middle School at 5:00 p.m. and a special board meeting be set for Monday, March 5th at the J.C. Rice Educational Services Center at 5:00 p.m.