The School Board... May 28, 2019

...... heard Board member, Rodney Dale, recite the Elkhart Promise.

......heard from the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC) representatives Patrick Yeakey, a senior from Central High School (CHS) and Shelby Buss, a senior from Memorial High School (MHS). Mr. Yeakey noted this is his last presentation to the Board as a member of SSAC. He provided an update on the remaining events for the school year at Central: the orchestra had their senior concert last week and honored a record 37 seniors; the final senior band concert is Thursday evening; nine students will be participating in the boys state track meet on Friday; Abbie Tyler was awarded first team all conference for softball; Rylee Wiltfong and Abby Phelps received first team all conference for tennis; and 200 students will be rewarded with a cookout on Friday for being named by their teachers for most improved in their classrooms. Shelby Buss is Memorial's class president as well as SSAC president. Ms. Buss reported the following athletic review: softball, baseball, girls tennis and lacrosse have completed their seasons with the softball team setting a record this year for most homeruns in a season; boys and girls track teams are sending several members to state competitions on Friday; and the unified track team having won sectional and regional meets will also travel to Bloomington for state. Everyone is invited to attend a send-off Friday morning. Ms. Buss also reported 167 seniors walked the halls of Hawthorne, Feeser, Cleveland, Daly, West Side, Osolo and North Side. The annual senior picnic will take place after commencement rehearsal on June 6th.

...... accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): \$700 from George and Megan Hiland to Central for the cross country team; \$500 from ASA Electronics to Memorial for the volleyball program; \$25,000 from the Rex and Alice Martin Foundation for renovations to Rice Field and North Side Gym; and the following donations used toward the Elkhart Culture Series: Though Leadership Conference: \$500 from Centier Bank of Elkhart; \$500 from the Bowen Center; \$1,500 from Macy's Bloomindales; \$1,000 from LHD Benefit Advisors of Indianapolis; \$1,000 from Intercultural Relations Group; \$1,500 in-kind from Indiana University Elkhart/South Bend; \$1,500 in-kind from Indiana Tech; \$2,500 in-kind from the Greater Elkhart Chamber of Commerce; \$1,500 in-kind from Bowen Center; \$1,500 in-kind from the City of Elkhart.

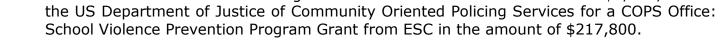
......approved the following extra-curricular purchases for West Side: a show kit for *School House Rock Live, Jr.* in the amount of \$977.20; and volleyball uniforms for 7th and 8th grade students in the amount of \$1,335.

....... 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 Kevin Scott, chief financial officer, provide the current insurance update reporting claims are continuing to run below the same time last year.

...... approved the application of a common school fund loan for an advance from the Indiana Department of Education in the amount of \$1,212.411. The loan will allow for the continued expansion of mobile devices to provide 1:1 instruction at all grades, while improving technology in learning spaces throughout the District.

approved revisions to the 2019-2020 school calendar. The changes are the addition of scheduled eLearning days on September $30^{\rm th}$ for secondary students only, and April $1^{\rm st}$ for all students.
adopted the elementary technology curriculum for the 2019-2020 school year. Six elementary schools have been identified to pilot the program: Beardsley, Cleveland, Feeser, Monger, Riverview and Woodland. Learning.com was identified at the most viable option because it is fully developed and can be implemented by technology teachers without modification. The new curriculum prepares the school system for Senate Enrolled Act 172 (2018) requiring all schools to include computer science in the curriculum for students in kindergarten through grade 12.
was presented an update on alternative education by Tony England, assistant superintendent of student services. The available service options for social emotional behavioral support include: alternative programs designed for at-risk you who are not succeeding the traditional setting; Elkhart Elementary Academy; Middle School ED/Alternative Program has a school within a school model; Bashor K-8 partnership with Bashor. The Bashor K-8 program will move to Bristol in the fall using the separated space currently housing the Growing Kids program; and high school options including the Elkhart Academy at Tipton, the Crossing, School Without Walls, and Adult Education.
approved the submission of the following grant requests: to the Elkhart Community Foundation for a First Aid Training Grant from the EACC in the amount of \$2,500; and to



- approved an overnight trip request for 35-45 West Side 8^{th} grade students to travel to Washington, DC on June 9 13, 2020 for a social studies trip.
- approved two agreements regarding unpaid time for certified staff members.
- confirmed the retirement of the following two (2) certified staff members: Shawn Hannon, assistant superintendent at ESC; and Carl Rust, director Elementary Academy at Pierre Moran.
- confirmed the administrative re-assignment of certified staff member, Jeffrey Komins, to assistant principal at Cleveland.
- confirmed the resignation of the following five (5) certified staff members: Penelope Clayton, intervention at Pierre Moran; Gary Gardner, principal at Osolo; Sherri Holston, grade 4 at Feeser; Jessica Shander, grade 1 at Riverview; and Raven Wilson, language arts at North Side.
- confirmed employment of the following eight (8) classified employees who have completed probation: Angela Green-Pitts, bus helper at Transportation; Stefani Jenkins, food service at Osolo; Sara Lewter, food service at Central; Paige Link, paraprofessional at Eastwood; Thomas Louiselle, bus driver at Transportation; Melisa Machowiak, paraprofessional at Riverview; Kyle Went, food service at Riverview; and Patrick Williams, custodian at Monger.

- confirmed the resignation of the following nine (9) classified employees: Latonya Coleman, food service at West Side; Clara Hendrix, bus helper at Transportation; Karri Kinney, food service at Pinewood; Tiffany Kleitz, paraprofessional at Tipton; Bethany Mowery, secretary at Hawthorne; Mary Patton, food service at Pinewood; Meghan Sutton, secretary at Eastwood; Dranda Washington, bus helper at Transportation; and Felicia Williams, paraprofessional at Daly.
- confirmed the revised resignation of classified employee, Betty Beadin, custodian at Memorial.
- confirmed the retirement of classified employee, Kimberly Gundy, production coordinator at Commissary.
- approved leave for classified employee Yvonne Gefri, food service at North Side.
- heard from audience member, Brandi Fontes, the creator of the ECS Need & Resource Help Site on Facebook. Ms. Fontes commented on the success of the project with over 1,000 members.
- heard Board member, Carolyn Morris, comment on the recent success of the Thought Leadership Conference and all of the donations received from the community to help make it happen.
- heard Board member, Rocky Enfield, state what a highlight it was to present diplomas at the Adult Education graduation held last week. Mr. Enfield noted the visible pride and sense of accomplishment of the graduates, and the support from the friends and family in attendance. Mr. Enfield encouraged those present to be sure and attend next year.
- heard Board member, Susan Daiber, comment on the capstone project presentations at Pierre Moran she and other Board members were able to attend last week.