The School Board May 11, 2021

...... heard Board member, Kellie Mullins, recite the Elkhart Promise.

...... approved the following items under a consent approval:

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Claims in the amount of \$4,968,986.83.

Gift Acceptance:

Donation of \$2,500 from MORryde to purchase new music apparel for Elkhart High School (EHS) bands, choirs and orchestras; two Mortara ELI 250 Series EKG units (with owner estimated value of \$2,000) from Heart City Health Center for EACC students in the EMT and cardiology classes; and \$25,000 from the Martin Foundation for renovations to Rice Field and North Side Gym.

Proposed school fundraisers in accordance with Board policy.

Grant: An ESSER II Grant from the Indiana Department of Education in the amount of \$11,756,499.89 for summer school and after school programs, professional development, an ENL residency program, supplemental phonics program materials, and update HVAC and air filtration systems.

Conference Leave Request - Perkins Grant

Personnel Report:

Employment of the following twenty-one (21) certified staff members for the 2021-2022 school year: Whitney Baird, science at Human Services; Tiffany Beauchamp, grade 1 at Daly; Breanne Boggs, grade 1 at Daly; Mariclare Braunsdorf, FACS at Freshman Academy; Riley Girton, music at Arts & Communication; Michelle Hilliker, counselor at Freshman Academy; Michael Holtz, industrial tech at Engineer & Technology; Russell Horst, science at Arts & Communication; Kristy Kong, social studies at Freshman Academy; Andrew Madison, special education intern at TBD; Rebekah Magers, career readiness at Pierre Moran; Lyndsey Mullins, language arts at Health & Public Safety; Danielle Newcombe, speech pathologist at TBD; Connie Rhodes, special education at Pierre Moran; Shelbie Rodeman, social studies at Freshman Academy; Allison Schrock, grade 5 at Daly; Sara Smurr, language arts at Health & Public Safety; Cara Storer, science at Freshman Academy; Victoria Taylor, speech pathologist at TBD; Daniel Walsh, science at Business & International; and Christina Witmer, speech pathologist at TBD.

Retirement of the following two (2) certified staff members: Sheryl Keeslar, instructional coach at ESC; and Pamela Weldy, special education at Cleveland.

Resignation of the following six (6) certified staff members: Sarah Bertsch, science at EHS East; Laura Martin, education professions at EACC; Taylor Raber, grade 5 at Roosevelt; Yoketha Sims, AF JROTC at EHS East; Brianna Tribbett, grade 6 at Cleveland; and Allan Whitehead, music at EHS East.

Maternity leave for certified staff member, Abigail Gerig, grade 4 at Beardsley.

Employment of the following five (5) classified employees: Lisa Conley, food service at Daly; Eboni Frazier, bus driver at Transportation; Kerry Guernsey, social worker at Hawthorne; Mytchell Sellers, paraprofessional at Elkhart Academy; and Vantha Seth, custodian at EHS East.

Resignation of the following three (3) classified employees: Elizabeth Osowski, executive chef/culinary coordinator at Food Service; Benjamin Perkins, custodian at Osolo; and Breah Tolbert, secretary at Hawthorne.

Retirement of classified employee, Ann Replogle, custodian at Monger.

Reassignment of Michael Holtz to certified position.

Leave for classified employee, Brenda Goethals, food service at EHS West.

Death of classified employee, Dinorah Kuehn, paraprofessional at Pinewood. A moment of silence was held in her honor.

-adopted a Resolution regarding a one-time waiver of Board Policies 3422 exclusively for the Memorial Day Holiday of 2022, as initially presented at the April 27th regular meeting.
-was presented proposed new Board Policy 5461 Transfer and Recognition of Credits, for initial consideration.
- approved the bid award recommendation for the demolition of the Tipton Street building to C&E Excavating of Elkhart as the lowest and best, most responsive and responsible contractor in the amount of \$149,460.00. Funding for the project will come from bond proceeds from the Elkhart High School projects.
- tabled a Resolution establishing the Superintendent's Goals for 2021.
- heard an audience member thank the Board for their support of educators and to Mr. Weaver for speaking at the recent charter school hearing. She also reminded everyone to celebrate all the things done well and to balance the negatives with positives.
- heard an audience member speak regarding a recent staff meeting within her department.
- heard Kerry Mullet, ETA president, invite everyone to attend an Indiana Coalition for Public Education event being held virtually at 9 p.m., Wednesday, May 19.