

..... heard Board member Anne VonDerVellen recite the Elkhart Promise.

..... heard SSAC member Aryan Patel present the Moment of Pride. Mr. Patel focused on the EHS boys' track and unified track teams as both ended their season as Sectional Champions. Being a part of a team provides so many lifelong lessons well beyond high school including lifelong relationships, communication skills, making goals, supporting community, and having a sense of belonging. It also provides many health benefits i.e. creating healthy habits, maintaining a healthy weight, developing time management skills, lowering risk of depression and having support from coaches. These are all lessons and skills students will carry forward into their future schooling, personal lives, and jobs. The unified track team specifically offers an opportunity for all students to experience a team atmosphere, helps everyone from any background, creates support for special needs students, focuses on social inclusion, and builds understanding. Being a part of a team is something everyone should experience and the unified track team is an awesome vehicle which provides a fully inclusive team atmosphere for all students. Mr. Patel recognized the following Sectional Champions: 4x100 team; R. Gates - 200m; N. Edwards - long jump; T. Williams - discus; and unified track team.

In closing, Mr. Patel shared with the Board that he had an interview with WSBT News regarding the Schools of Study and how ETI specifically helped to guide him towards the field of engineering. In the fall, he will be attending Purdue University to pursue a degree in engineering.

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

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Claims in the amount of \$6,325,072.67.

Proposed school fundraisers in accordance with Board policy.

Accepted the following extra-curricular purchase requests: Elkhart High School (EHS) Athletic Department extra-curricular fund to purchase a GameStrat Router System in the amount of \$1,475 and EHS Athletic Department extra-curricular fund to purchase a SimpliFaster Freelap Pro Timing System in the amount of \$1,999.

Gift Acceptance: Accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): \$500 from Mary Jo Sartorius to EHS Unified Track program to help purchase t-shirts for participants; \$541.13 from the Elkhart Central Class of 1983 to EHS Tennis program for the purchase of a bench in honor of former teacher and tennis coach, Russ Busse; \$3,000 from Linda Homo to the Pierre Moran Middle School (PMMS) Athletic Department for the support and continued growth of the track program; \$10,000 from Phyllis Tubbs to EHS Athletic Department for athletic equipment and uniforms; \$1,806 from various members of the Elkhart community to PMMS Athletic Department for the track program; and \$500 from Welter Foundation, care of Jack and

Angie Welter, to the EHS Volleyball team for the purchase of training equipment and other miscellaneous costs associated with this program.

Conference Leave Requests

Personnel Report:

Retirement of certified staff member Louanne Nommay, Media at North Side.

Resignation of the following nineteen (19) certified employees: Courtney Bean, grade 5 at Riverview; Michelle Bohlmann, grade 1 at Eastwood; Kailey Campos, grade 2 at Bristol; Asa Ennis, special education at Riverview; Alicia Harvill, grade 5 at Pinewood; Carlie Johnson, grade 1 at Pinewood; Courtney Lamie, grade 1 at Riverview; Victor Muniz III, kindergarten at Eastwood; Jay Squibb, social studies at Pierre Moran; Eliza Stotzfus, grade 5/6 at Roosevelt; John Taylor, science at ETHOS; Lindsey Turner, grade 4 at Pinewood; Jennifer Vascil, special education at Riverview; Jennifer Wagtowicz, kindergarten at Riverview; Melanie Watson, ENL at Beardsley; Stevi Weaver, language arts at EHS; Wendy Weaver, grade 4 at Hawthorne; Jason Westbrook, world languages at Freshman Division; and Amber Williams, grade 3 at Daly.

Employment of the following five (5) classified employees: Montgomery Kelly, food services at Eastwood; Stephanie Sharpe, food service at Daly; Mazio Stevens, paraprofessional at Riverview; Paul Taylor, Jr., bus driver at Transportation; and Carol West, food service at Freshman Division.

Resignation of the following seven (7) classified employees: Rebekah Altieri, chef at Food Service; Danna Breneman, bus driver at Transportation; Staci Childs, food service at Cleveland; Kiesha Gates, food service at Feeser; LaVerne Hadley, food service at Freshman Division; Earline Hunt, bus helper at Transportation; and Christine Mather, paraprofessional at Pierre Moran.

Retirement of the following two (2) classified employees: Linda McCreary, paraprofessional at Woodland and Michelle Yoder, secretary at EHS.

Unpaid leave extension for classified employee Lisa Swartzell-Guerra, food service at Riverview.

Unpaid leave for the following three (3) classified employees: Tanita Bynum, food service at Osolo; Laura Walterhouse, paraprofessional at Freshman Division; and Marlene Worthington, food service at West Side.

Revision of resignation reported on the March 22, 2022 Board report for classified employee Catherine Boudreau, food service at EHS.

..... adopted a Resolution to Waive I.C. 20-30-2-3 and 20-30-2-2.7 Mandated 180 Student Days in response to guidance provided from the IDOE regarding the three (3) eLearning day limit imposed by recent legislation.

..... was presented the monthly financial report.

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..... heard from two (2) audience members regarding bullying, the need to improve district communication with parents, and their continued desire to work with ECS to make things better.

..... heard Superintendent Thalheimer inform the Board and audience of the upcoming summer camps, community programs, and athletic camps being offered by ECS and our community partners. He encouraged families looking for programs to keep their kids active, engaged, and learning through the summer months to look on the ECS website where online registration is available.

..... heard Dr. Thalheimer thank all staff and express his gratitude for their commitment to students and engaging in all the hard work that was asked of them this school year. There was a lot asked of staff in covering shortages, learning new curriculum, and the final stage/successful completion of the one high school on two campuses. It is a real testament to everyone in our buildings.

..... heard Dr. Thalheimer remind Board members of the special work session scheduled for Friday, May 27, 2022 for the follow-up RFP interviews.