

The Board of School Trustees of the Nettle Creek School Corporation met for a Board Meeting on April 14, 2021 at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room. All in attendance practiced social distancing guidelines.

The following board members were present: Sandi Schraub, Shawn Lieberman, Marcie Houghton and Cody Sankey.

Guests present were: Emily Schaeffer, Drew Cooper, Rachel Sheeley, Andrea VanMeter, Glen Meek, Dottie Shedd, Mark Beebe, Tiffani Hokey, Roxane Thornburg, Rob Molloy, Rebekah LaVere, Janet Halcomb, Tiffani Hokey, David Tyner, Luke Smith and Rick Wilcox.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Schraub/Houghton moved to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2021 meeting. Motion carried 4/0.

### **SUPERINTENDENT SPOTLIGHT**

Dr. Barrentine recognized staff that were selected by their peers for Teacher of the Year, Support Staff of the Year and Rookie of the Year at each building.

Andrea VanMeter won Teacher of the Year for the High School.

Janet Halcomb won Support Staff of the Year for the High School.

Mark Linderman won Rookie of the Year for the High School.

Roxane Thornburg won Support Staff of the Year for the Elementary.

Dottie Shedd won Teacher of the Year for the Elementary.

Rob Molloy won Rookie of the Year for the Elementary.

### **FOOD SERVICE RECOGNITION**

Indiana Food Service programs were challenged by the IDOE to demonstrate and make improvements in nutritional quality and freshness of menus to serve local children. Our team welcomed this challenge and are being presented the Golden Apple Award. Mr. Cooper presented the certificate to Mrs. Kelli Bush, Food Service Director.

### **FINANCIAL ITEMS**

Schraub/Sankey moved to approve Payroll claims totaling \$449,920.40 and Vendor claims totaling \$1,486,544.28. Motion carried 4/0.

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

Dr. Barrentine provided an update on the Pre-School program. We have received grant funds to help offset the cost. It is being lowered to \$50 per week per child. There will be an Open House Thursday, April 22, 2021 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at the Elementary.

Mrs. Hokey stated that Kindergarten round-up was a success. They are down about fifteen students from last year. She encouraged everyone to help spread the word to the community.

Mrs. Hokey stated the SRO program is going well. She is glad to have Mr. Smith as part of the team. It is nice having him in the building.

Mr. Smith stated not only does he help during the day but has also made home visits to help with truancy issues.

Mr. Tyner shared some senior events that are coming up. He also stated the SRO program at the High School is going well. Mr. Wilcox is there for the students to talk to not only about school issues but personal issues as well. Mr. Tyner is pleased to have him part of the staff at the High School.

Mrs. Hokey and Mrs. Schraub both thanked Mrs. Schaeffer for all of her hard work getting the pre-school program up and running for the upcoming school year.

### **PERSONEL ITEMS**

Houghton/Schraub moved to approve the following personnel items:

Andra Solis	Preschool Director	\$8000 (tuition/grant funded)
Emily Reed	Long term Substitute	\$11.35 per hour
Brittany Henderson	Resignation (5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher)	

Motion carried 4/0.

**SUMMER SCHOOL**

The Jr. Sr. High School will offer credit recovery directly after school is out. Both buildings will offer a jump start two weeks prior to school starting in the areas of Math and Language Arts.

Schraub/Sankey moved to approve the Summer School plan. Motion carried 4/0.

**CHARTWELLS RENEWAL**

Houghton/Schraub moved to approve the Chartwells contract. Discussion was held. Motion carried 4/0.

**BOND LEASE PUBLIC HEARING**

Mark Beebe briefly explained the project on behalf of Lance + Beebe.

Sean Ryan briefly explained some of the financials on behalf of Bakertilly.

No public comment.

Houghton/Schraub moved to approve the project resolution. Motion carried 4/0.

Sankey/Schraub moved to approve the Declaration of Intent to Reimburse Expenditures Resolution. Motion carried 4/0.

Houghton/Sankey moved to adjourn the Public Hearing. Motion carried 4/0.

See attached excerpt of minutes.

**OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

The next Board meeting will be May 12, 2021 at Hagerstown Elementary LGI Room at 6:30 pm.

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

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**EXCERPTS FROM MINUTES OF A MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
NETTLE CREEK SCHOOL CORPORATION**

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of Nettle Creek School Corporation (the "School Corporation") was held at the LGI Room at the Hagerstown Elementary School, 299 North Sycamore Street, Hagerstown, Indiana, on April 14, 2021 at the hour of 6:30 p.m. (Local Time), pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the rules of the Board.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Board.

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present: Sandra Schraub, Shawn Lieberman, Marcie Houghton, and  
Absent: Dan Davis, David Moore, Julie Blaase, Cody Sankey

(Among other proceedings had and actions taken were the following:)

The President presided over the hearing, welcoming everyone and introducing members of the Board and speakers.

It was explained to the Board that under Indiana law whenever a school corporation proposes to construct or renovate a school building at a cost in excess of one million dollars it must first hold a public hearing. Notice of the public hearing was published in the Western Wayne News and in The Courier-Times on March 31, 2021. The proofs of publication of the notice of the hearing were presented to the meeting.

It was further explained that at this hearing all interested people may give testimony and/or ask questions concerning the renovation of and improvements to NCSC facilities, including site improvements and the purchase of equipment (the "Project"). The purpose of the hearings is two-fold: (1) to inform the public as to the proposed Project; and (2) to allow all

interested parties, taxpayers and patrons of the School Corporation to voice their opinions as to the Project and ask any questions.

After the purpose of the hearing was explained, the presentations regarding the need for the Project were given. An evaluation of the existing facility was then presented, as well as a discussion of the details of the proposed Project. The estimated Project cost and schedule were then presented to the public. It was explained how this Project could be funded, and the potential tax rate impact the Project would have on the community.

After the above presentations, the President announced that the Board would now hear testimony and questions from the public. Questions and testimony were given by several patrons.


At the conclusion of the public testimony and question, the Board considered the Project Resolution to complete the Project at a cost of more than one million dollars per building. The resolution attached as Exhibit A was approved.

The President further stated that the Board needed to consider a Reimbursement Resolution. On motion duly made, the resolution attached as Exhibit B was adopted.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary, Board of School Trustees

ATTEST:

  
President, Board of School Trustees

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **PROJECT RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Nettle Creek School Corporation (the "School Corporation") at a meeting on April 16, 2021 held a public hearing in accordance with Indiana Code § 20-26-7-37 for the purpose of answering questions and listening to taxpayers' comments and any evidence they may present about the proposed renovation of and improvements to NCSC facilities, including site improvements and the purchase of equipment (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully studied all of the known options and feels that the proposed Project is in the best interests of the present and future students to be served by these facilities; now, therefore,


BE IT RESOLVED, that the purpose of the Project is to provide an improved educational environment for students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the estimated hard and soft costs of the Project are \$4,227,950, with estimated costs of issuance (including capitalized interest less interest earnings and interim lease rental) of \$182,050, resulting in total estimated Project cost of \$4,410,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the estimated \$4,410,000 will be funded by one or more of the following: Operations Fund, general obligation bond issue and/or a building corporation bond issue with an anticipated impact on the Debt Service Fund tax rate of \$0.1761 per \$100 assessed valuation based on an estimated \$274,133,212 assessed valuation beginning in 2022. However, as existing obligations mature, the anticipated net increase to the Debt Service Fund tax rate is expected to be \$0.00 above the current rate.

*Passed and adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.*

  
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President, Board of School Trustees

  
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Secretary, Board of School Trustees

**EXHIBIT B**

**DECLARATION OF OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES**

WHEREAS, Nettle Creek School Corporation (the "School Corporation") intends to finance the proposed renovation of and improvements to NCSC facilities, including site improvements and the purchase of equipment (the "Project"); and

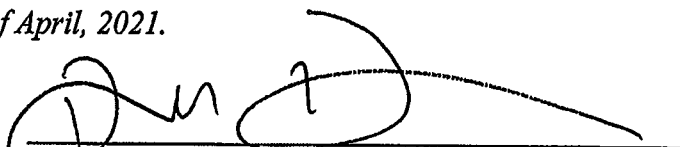
WHEREAS, the School Corporation reasonably expects to reimburse certain costs of the Project with proceeds of obligations to be incurred on behalf of the School Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$4,410,000; and


WHEREAS, the School Corporation, acting through a leasing entity, expects to have obligations issued on its behalf for the Project and to use the proceeds hereof to reimburse or pay costs of the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Corporation declares its official intent to acquire, construct or rehabilitate the Project with proceeds of obligations incurred on behalf of the School Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$4,410,000 for the purpose of paying or reimbursing costs of the Project; and to approve obligations issued by a leasing entity that will lease the Project to the School Corporation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Corporation reasonably expects to reimburse itself from proceeds of obligations issued on behalf of the School Corporation for costs of the Project paid prior to the issuance of the obligations.

*Passed and Adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.*

  
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President, Board of School Trustees

  
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Secretary, Board of School Trustees