

Board of Education

8 February 2018 / 6:40 PM – 7:50 PM

NOTES

- ❖ **Consent Agenda:**
 - approved
- ❖ **Student Representatives Reports:**
 - Project Grad 2018 – prom, looking for suggestions
 - 2019 – dodgeball tournament fundraiser.
 - Can't sell food? Pre-packaged food?
 - There is a law where they cannot sell during school hours, also contract with food service.
 - ◆ Will look into possible solutions.
- ❖ **BOE Chairperson/Designee:**
 - Spelling Bee (4/26) – Amanda, Dot and Tim (HS Jr. Rep), with Goldie as alternate.
 - Bees on Board
- ❖ **Unfinished business:**
 - Bus Monitor training
 - Rental cost of fields. Being used by MS/HS sports now and in spring.
 - Gymboree, battle of the bands, pay \$500.00-\$1,000 per team to participate
- ❖ **New Business:**
 - None
- ❖ **Reports of Standing Committees:**
 - **ACES**
 - Regional Special Ed transportation – many districts are interested in going-in on transportation. May look into re-matching students with closer providers.
 - **Curriculum, Instruction and Planning**
 - Expand pathways from English to include history, for those not thriving in standard classes.
 - Also discussed pilot for new report card, based on the new standards and more on what is going on in the classrooms, not the antiquated system now. For elementary schools.
 - **Finance & Operations**
 - Budget trending on track.
 - Budget was not presented 2/3, pushed to 3/3 @ 8:45
 - Asked to use a new format.
 - **Middle School Building Committee**
 - Open house was a success.
 - Working through some final minor issues. Working with owners rep to close out project.
 - Solar panels – company still waiting on roof repair before installing, but still part of project.
 - **North Haven Education Foundation**
 - Spelling bee is 4/26
 - Met with all principals, gave presentation
 - Grant request has increased
 - M. Kerzner is newest board member of the NHEF
 - 1 grant for equipment at Montowese school – playground equipment (balls, jump ropes, etc)
 - **Policy**
 - No report.
 - **PTA Council**
 - Mobil app for payments – GA running pilot
 - 3/23 - District wide basketball game
 - 4/8 – Color run. Must register by 3/25 to guarantee shirt and color packet
 - Clintonville is running enrichment programs

- RR & M are doing fundraisers for playgrounds.
 - Request to include the BOE on all fundraising efforts
- ❖ **Staff Communications**
 - **Superintendent's Report**
 - Three assessments over year – fall, winter and spring (iReady?) to help monitor progress
 - SRBI in every school, monitoring the lowest 25%
 - New assistant principal in the MS
 - New director of technology
 - PSAT 11th – math and English, reviewed results, using to help prepare for SAT in March
 - **Assistant Superintendent's Report**
 - Nature's Classroom – 170 students for NC and 89 for the day trips
 - A. Gabriele asked if any feedback on why they made the choice?
 - M. McKenna – 80% up to date on both payments. Montowese has never done before, first time in 10 years for Clintonville.
 - Testing season – all testing being done on computers. Have till march 9 to complete.
 - SBAC in April for grades 3-8
 - Next Generation Science Standards (field test) for 5, 8 and 11th grades
 - **Director of Finance & Operations**
 - Working on reconstructing budget using the new format
 - Trending above expected – insurance claims
 - Transfer of funds from one line to another for photography equipment. Stay on same department

Public Comments:

1. M. White – fields again. Has updated information on maintenance, driven by usage. 1 hour use = 1 hour use. No longer sport dependent.
 - Sprinturf requires two weeks notice for maintenance. They bring the equipment they need to service the field.
 - 2 temperature guns, athletic director will take field temp when weather over 80F and record in maintenance logs.
2. J. Caldwell – rental fees. Thought that recreational teams will not be paying for the fields, but pay facility fees for basketball, etc.
 - A. Anderson – they **will** pay for use of fields.
 - Budget format – why pushed meeting off for a month.
 - Break-down by school also requested by the town
3. W. Barrett – Crestview drive – two errors in article
 - 1. (922K reduction) but gained 1.4M MRSA. Net/net or \$500K gain. Helped keep the mil rate in check. Can we use MRSA to free up public works money for other use?
 - Do we really need to reduce the BOE budget?
 - 2. MATH ERROR write 4.2% increase, when it's really only 4.02%
 - Asked to see net increase by line, not top-line level
 - Requested clarification on “contractual obligation”
 - Per. Dr. Cronin – personnel, custodial, computer contracts, insurance, special education services, transportation
4. D. Murphy – Clintonville – Spiriturf maintenance plan questions. 1030G sprinturf
 - Decision on paras will be made over summer
5. Kim – RR – asked about clarification of snow day policy.
 - Hard for single parents to make arrangements on such late notice (delay, closings coming at 5am)
 - Dr. Cronin – explained that delay opening decisions are made after consulting with police and public works and a meteorologist. It is done at the suggestion of the police.
6. M. White – claimed that we will not be getting MRSA funds again.

❖ **Future Agenda**

