

MINUTES OF MEETING

MOORESVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION SCHOOL BOARD

February 11, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Mooresville Consolidated School Corporation was held in the Education Center Auditorium, 11 W. Carlisle Street, on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. The Chairman after calling the meeting to order noted the presence of the following: Dr. Bill Roberson, Mr. Perry King, Mr. Matt Saner, and Mr. Randy Davis. Mr. Dave Oberle was not present. The Chairman noting the presence of a quorum declared the meeting duly constituted.

Dr. Roberson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Taylor and Dr. Allen presented the Board with an update on the Strategic Plan. Mrs. Haynes narrated a Power Point presentation as follows on Fiscal Responsibility 2010-2020:

Beginning in 2010, the Mooresville School Board of Trustees made a commitment to local taxpayers to keep the aging infrastructure of the school district updated without raising taxes. Since then, the district has undergone more than \$43 million in upgrades to strengthen school environments, increase school safety, increase technology assets, create areas for greater curricular programming, and provide high quality extracurricular program areas.

From 2010 through 2014, each of the seven schools underwent renovations through a low or zero interest Federal Bond Program. This allowed every school to have a secured, single point of access entryway, increased energy efficiency and indoor environmental quality updates. In 2012, Mooresville High School underwent a major renovation. Updates included: new technology class areas, a virtual learning center, upgrades to the auditorium and fine arts areas, a more efficient office area, and more.

Other projects, which have been completed, include upgrades to several athletic fields, including the new turf fields for Mooresville baseball, softball, and football. These projects not only created space usable by multiple groups throughout the year but also provided for better drainage in the Town of Mooresville. The district is also currently building a new Transportation Center to house the more than 50 buses in the district.

Curricular projects, which received funding, include: the remodeling of the Mooresville High School agriscience and building trades areas, the expansion of Project Lead the Way programming for all grade levels, and the creation of MakerSpace rooms in all five elementary schools. Additionally, MHS class offerings for Advanced Placement and dual credit classes has increased dramatically. The district will expand its shared offerings with Ivy Tech dual credit and distance learning beginning in the fall of 2020.

During the same time and without an increased tax rate, the district has moved to a one-to-one technology program for all grade levels. In a district where all school buildings are 49 to 84 years old, great strides were made to create a seamless wireless infrastructure. All teachers have laptops, iPads, and in-class projectors for technology integration in learning. Internet server efficiency and effectiveness have also created a stronger system with decreased energy costs.

Safety has also been a top priority in the past ten years, with camera systems expanding by more than ten times, all schools utilizing securing key-card access systems, and the introduction of ID-card visitor scanning software.

Although Mooresville tax rate remains in the bottom 20% of school tax rates in Indiana, the district has enjoyed strengthened programs and amenities due to strong fiscal responsibility by the Mooresville School Board and school administration.

Mr. Taylor stated the topic has been the Fitness Center that we are going to construct. He stated the Board has had six Work Sessions on the project. He also stated several of the Work Sessions were attended by Kristin McClellan, Bond Counsel; Jim Elizondo, Financial Advisor; and Dan Rawlins, Architect. Mr. Taylor stated a lot of time has gone into the planning of the project. He then asked Dr. Allen to present the financial impact the project would have on the corporation. Dr. Allen presented the following information:

Project Financing:

First Mortgage Bonds will be issued for this project in the amount of \$16,050,000.00

- Capitalized interest and cost of issuance = \$745,000.00

- Project costs = \$15,305,000.00

Maximum term lease agreement = 22 years

Maximum annual lease rental payment = \$1,900,000.00

Estimated interest rate: 1% - 5%

Estimated total interest cost = \$9,700,000.00

Estimated impact on Debt Service rate = \$0.1213

No impact to overall tax rate of \$0.7874 due to retired debt and increase in Net Assessed Value

- 2011 B Qualified Zone Academy Bonds
- A1836 Common School Loan

Mooreville Schools Tax Rate: \$0.7874

- This tax rate is in the bottom 18% of school tax rates in the State of Indiana
- Mooreville Schools has maintained the tax rate of \$0.7874 since 2010
- By state law, school tax rates are able to increase on a yearly basis in order to capture the max levy allowed by the DLGF. The Mooreville School Board and Administration requires its tax rate to remain at 0.7874 in order to be as efficient in our operations as possible for the Mooreville taxpayers.

District Improvements:

Mooreville Schools has been able to complete \$43 million of district upgrades and improvements from 2010 to 2020 without raising the tax rate of \$0.7874.

Operational Costs:

- Estimated operating cost of \$140,000.00 (maintenance, personnel, utilities, insurance, etc.)
- Does not include potential revenue generated from facility rentals, ticket sales, and concession sales
 - a. 2019 Facility rental revenues: \$17,000.00
 - b. 2019 Concession sales (indoor only): \$70,000.00
 - c. 2019 Event ticket sales (indoor / outdoor): \$210,000.00

Mr. Taylor asked if anyone had questions and there were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approval of Board Minutes – January 14, 2020**

Personnel – Personnel Report #2-2020

- Certified
- Support Staff
- ECA
- Certified Contracts
 - Teachers and Administrators – Corrections/Additions

Claims

Payroll – January 17, 2020 & January 31, 2020

Claim Nos: 2 (51747) – 3 (51810 & 51835)

Warrant Nos: 103442-103448 DD# 195522-196082
103449-103461 DD# 196083-196680

Vendors – February 11, 2020

Claim Nos: 51735-51983

Warrant Nos: 29916-30131

Technology Insurance

Donations

- Day passes for Paul Hadley Middle School to Mooreville Family Aquatic Center from the Mooreville Parks Department
- \$2,000.00 from National Association of Agricultural Educators for Paul Hadley Middle School
- \$500.00 from Martin Marietta for Waverly's Project Lead The Way

- \$300.00 from Angie Turley for MHS Cheer Competition
- \$500.00 from Angie Turley for Student Lunch Accounts
- \$100.00 from Marcia Wirt for Student Lunch Accounts
- \$200.00 from Nina Langley for Maker Space at Neil Armstrong

Overnight Field Trip

- BPA State Competition @ Indianapolis Downtown Marriott – March 8-10, 2020

Summer Camp

- Showstoppers 2020 – Grades 1-9 – June 8-12, 2020

Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Saner. Motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Allen asked the Board for approval to use Emergency Funds, not to exceed \$6,000.00, in order to replace the sound system at the high school baseball field due to the sound system had been stolen earlier in the year. He stated there are now cameras at the baseball field.

Mr. Taylor asked the Board for permission to change the 2019-2020 Support Staff Handbook Section 504 Bereavement Leave. He stated the change would match the Teacher Master Agreement for consistency between certified staff and support staff. Mr. Saner made a motion to approve the change to the 2019-2020 Support Staff Handbook as presented, seconded by Mr. King. Motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Allen recommended approval of the following items from the Newby Gymnasium:

- 3 Display Cases
- 2 Basketball Goal Frames
- 24 Light Fixtures
- 2 Scoreboards

He stated the items are in poor condition and/or no longer operational. Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the 3 display cases; 2 basketball goal frames; 24 light fixtures; and 2 scoreboards from the Newby Gymnasium as salvage, seconded by Mr. King. Motion carried 4-0.

Dr. Allen then asked the Board to approve technology items from Northwood as salvage. He stated the devices have become obsolete with the implementation of 1:1 devices in grades K-6. Mr. Saner made a motion to approve the technology items as presented from Northwood as salvage, seconded by Mr. Davis. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Taylor stated Neola, Vol. 32, No. 1 was the 2nd reading for changes in Board Policy as recommended by NEOLA, our policy vendor. He stated there were several revisions to existing policies that meet the legal requirements of Indiana and federal law. He also stated he was recommending approval of the policies Vol. 32, No. 1 as presented. Mr. King made a motion to approve Neola, Vol. 32, No. 1 as presented, seconded by Mr. Davis. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Harris asked the Board for retroactive approval to give the county right-of-way easement for the Transportation Center. He stated Dr. Roberson and Mr. King had already signed the document. Dr. Roberson made a motion to give the county retroactive approval for the right-of-way easement at the Transportation Center, seconded by Mr. King. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Phil Gatts, former teacher, coach, and now weight coordinator; Dr. Larry Moore, former Assistant Superintendent at Mooresville and Mooresville resident; Mr. Daniel Mikesell, current teacher and wrestling coach; and Mr. Mike Mossbrucker, Athletic Director, parent, and resident all spoke to the Board regarding the Wellness Center. Highlights included: would go from a 3,000 sq. feet weight room to a 7,000 sq. feet weight room; housing all students in the weight room instead of splitting between the gym and weight room; if students were polled, they want the weight room; 90% of students already have APC; very appreciative of what we have now, but need to accommodate all students; the community is known by the schools; classrooms would help academics; gyms and practices are not just for basketball or sports, but also for band, choir, and community events; ability to serve more students during lunchtime and cut down on lunch periods; financing could be done without raising taxes by substituting off-going debt for new debt; maintain the same debt, same payments and serve the kids better and not raise taxes; 80 elementary students, 40 middle school students, and 35 high school students currently in wrestling; elementary volleyball camp had 91 students the first night; football camp had 51 students the first night; as growth continues, will need more space; facilities are shared; important to leave it better than we found it; and let's get moving on it. The Board thanked the gentlemen for sharing their thoughts.

There being no further business to come before the board and upon motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. King, the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried 4-0.

Attest:

Respectfully submitted,

President

Perry King
Secretary

Vice-President

Member

Member