

Wednesday, September 20, 2017, Executive Session

The Board of School Trustees of the Randolph Central School Corporation met in Executive Session on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 in the Board Room of the Superintendent's Office. The meeting convened at 5:15 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Bill Bush, President; Mr. Fred Pries, Vice-President; Mr. Dallas Osting, Secretary; Mr. Jeff Oswalt, Member; and Mr. Jay Harris, Member.

Administration Present: Mrs. Lisa Chalfant, Interim Superintendent/Director of Curriculum; Mr. Rolland Abraham, WCHS-DMS Principal

The governing body named conducted an executive session pursuant to Indiana's Open Meetings Law, IC 5-14-1.5-6.1, and limited its discussion to the following:

(5) To receive information about and interview prospective employees.

Mr. Bush adjourned the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Wednesday, September 20, 2017, Special Session

The Board of School Trustees of the Randolph Central School Corporation met in Special Session on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, in the Board Room of the Superintendent's Office. The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Bill Bush, President; Mr. Fred Pries, Vice-President; Mr. Dallas Osting, Secretary; Mr. Jeff Oswalt, Member; and Mr. Jay Harris, Member.

Administration present: Mrs. Lisa Chalfant, Interim Superintendent/Curriculum Director; Mr. Rolland Abraham, WCHS-DMS Principal/Superintendent Candidate; Mrs. Karla Reed, WCHS Assistant Principal; Mrs. Katie Lash, DMS Associate Principal; Mrs. Cindy Winkle, Baker Elementary Principal; Mr. Jeremy Duncan, Willard Elementary Principal; and Mrs. Laura Miller, Deerfield Elementary Principal

A. Welcome/Call to Order

Mr. Bush, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence followed.

Mr. Bush commented on some of the specific details of the superintendent search process, beginning in June 2017, and expressed his gratitude for having two quality candidates for the positions of superintendent and high school-middle school principal.

B. Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Chalfant requested to make the following amendments to the agenda:

Add Item E.1. Request to Add Bowling Club

Upon a motion by Mr. Osting, seconded by Mr. Pries, with a 5-0 vote, the agenda was adopted as amended.

C. Citizen Comments

None.

D. Personnel

1. Certified

a. Recommendation to Employ WCHS-DMS Principal

Pending the approval of D.1.b., Mrs. Chalfant recommended that the Board employ Charles J. (C. J.) Miller as the new principal of Winchester Community High School and Driver Middle School for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year and on a two-year initial contract. Mr. Miller will receive a base salary of \$82,000 in addition to other benefits specified in his contract addendum. Mrs. Chalfant recommended to transfer 35 of Mr. Miller's sick days to Randolph Central. Mr. Miller's 2017-18 contractual days will commence following his release from his current employment.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pries, seconded by Mr. Oswalt, on a 5-0 vote, the Board approved Charles J. (C. J.) Miller to be the new Winchester Community High School-Driver Middle School principal.

b. Recommendation to Employ Superintendent of Schools

The Board of School Trustees considered accepting the resignation of the current WCHS-DMS principal, Mr. Rolland T. Abraham, contingent upon hiring him as the new Superintendent of Schools for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year and on a three-year contract, to commence on September 20, 2017 through September 19, 2020. The Notice to Hire Mr. Abraham was published in the Winchester News-Gazette on August 31, 2017. A public meeting was held on September 12, 2017 to receive comments on the terms of his contract. Mr. Abraham will receive a base salary of \$112,000 in addition to other benefits specified in his contract addendum.

Upon a motion by Mr. Osting, seconded by Mr. Harris, on a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the resignation of Mr. Rolland T. Abraham as the WCHS-DMS principal and approved hiring Mr. Abraham as the new Superintendent of Schools for Randolph Central School Corporation.

E. New Business

1. Request to Add Bowling Club

Mr. Abraham requested the Board's approval to add the WCHS Bowling Club. Sponsorship of the club will be on a voluntary basis, and there are student criteria required for participation. No funding for the club or sponsorship is requested. Miss Cathie Burton is volunteering to be the club's first sponsor for the 2017-18 school year without additional compensation.

Upon a motion by Mr. Osting, seconded by Mr. Pries, on a 5-0 vote, the Request to Add Bowling Club was approved.

F. Future Meetings

Special Session, September 26, 2017, 6:00 p.m. Budget Hearing of Capital Projects and Bus Replacement Fund Plans

Executive Session, following the Special Session, September 26, 2017

Regular Session and Budget Hearing, October 10, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

Special Session and Budget Adoption, October 25, 2017, 8:00 a.m.

IAPSS/ISBA Fall Conference, October 2-3, 2017

ISBA Fall Conference, October 18, 2017

Mr. Abraham announced that there will be a reception on Thursday, September 21, 4:00-5:30 p.m., at the high school-middle school commons for employees, parents, and students to meet the new WCHS-DMS principal, Mr. C. J. Miller.

Before Mr. Bush adjourned the meeting, he commented on the past three months during the superintendent search process. After receiving an acknowledgement for her interim superintendent work, Mrs. Chalfant remarked that Randolph Central employees have been very supportive and were an important part of the great beginning of the 2017-18 school year.

G. Adjournment

Mr. Bush adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.