

# Board of Education

## MEETING RECAP

February 12, 2024

## Moment of Excellence

**Savannah Mitchell**

**Williamsburg Elementary School**

Savannah was recognized by Mr. Dunn and her teachers for being an exemplary student in showing the Wildcat Way. Savannah is enthusiastic, focused, and joyful about learning. Her character is described as having dignity, poise, eagerness, self-motivation, perseverance, and embracing of challenges. We are proud to have Savannah represent the Wildcats in such a positive way!



## Superintendent's Celebrations

- Parent/Teacher Conferences are taking place this week in both buildings.
- Athletics - We have hosted MS and HS League Wrestling Meets, as well as two other tournaments
  - Academic Team, Boys Varsity Basketball, Girls Varsity Basketball, and JV Boys Basketball were all League Champions.
  - 7th Grade Boys and 8th Grade Girls were Tournament Champions
  - Sectional Play will begin soon
- Williamsburg's Got Talent has several great submissions - the Talent Show will take place on Saturday, February 24
- Mr. Dackin, the Director of Department of Education and Workforce presented at HCESC and shared the Governor's vision regarding education moving forward.
- January was Board Member Appreciation Month - thank you to the Board for being so supportive of our staff and students.

## Treasurer's Report

- NEW WES PROJECT: Superintendent and Treasurer are working diligently with RBC Capital and Bond Legal Counsel to prepare all the legal and finance documents associated with the New WES project. Our recent focus has been the Preliminary Offering Circular that will be the basis of our COPs certificate offering. Earlier this week we met with the entire team to review and fine tune the presentation for our S&P Global Bond Rating.
- Our HB264 loan pay-off was applied in late January and that liability is officially closed.
- Our entire Treasurer's Office staff is deeply engaged in the State Audit of fiscal year 2023. After two independent auditor contracts (five years each) WLSB is required to submit to an Ohio Auditor of State audit. We are working through a long list of discovery and testing. All district leadership was required to submit an individual fraud risk assessment questionnaire. This process is time consuming, but a great investment of time and energy to ensure compliance, as well as smooth hand-off between Treasurers.
- Earlier this week we received our first TY2023 H1 real estate tax advance from the County Auditor's office, over \$1,359K.

# Major Items of Business

- The Governing Board Resolution for voluntary membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2024-2025 school year was approved.
- The WLSD Calendar for School Year 2024-2025 was approved.
- A Memorandum of Understanding between Child Focus and WLSD for preschool services was approved.
- A Memorandum of Understanding between Child Focus and WLSD for head start services was approved.
- Cash transfers for Special Projects were approved.
- Jeff Cummins nominated Charlie Maklem to serve on the 2024 Tax Incentive Review Council. The nomination was approved and accepted.
- The Board approved a resolution to enter COPS financing for constructing improvements to real property and improvements in an amount not to exceed \$19,000,000
- Modification of contracts of select exempt/administrative employees for the purpose of adding a provision for the employee to earn performance related bonuses.

## Resignations for Purpose of Retirement

- Karen Blake, Bus Driver & Aide - Effective 8/31/2024
- Patti Hines, Food Service - Effective 8/31/2024
- Rachel Reckers, Teacher - Effective 5/31/2024

These three ladies have over 109 years of combined WLSD experience! We thank them for their many years of dedication to our students.

## Approved Positions

- Scott Reveal - MS Girls Track Coach
- Lydia Simpson - MS Track (Volunteer)

## Next Meeting Date

The March Regular Business Meeting will take place on Monday, March 18 at 6:00pm in the Media Center at the Middle/High School.

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