

# Board of Education

## MEETING RECAP

January 15, 2024

### Moment of Excellence

**Izzy Collins**

**Williamsburg Elementary School**

Fourth grader Izzy Collins was celebrated as the champion of the Elementary School Spelling Bee. The school-wide championship consisted of 15 participants. It lasted 17 rounds, and there were 212 words spelled. Mr. Dunn shared that Izzy is an incredible, attentive student, and he is proud that she represents WES as the Spelling Bee Champion!



### Superintendent's Celebrations

- Staff Appreciation Night was held at the High School Boys Basketball game against Batavia on January 5. There was a great turnout for this wonderful event to celebrate our staff.
- Our facility dog, Summit, and her handlers have graduated their program. Congratulations to Summit, Dr. Wright, and the other handlers for this accomplishment. Summit has made a significant impact in her short time with our students, and we look forward to having her as we move forward.
- In conjunction with Nurse Sutton and HealthSource, we have been able to outfit 16 students with eyeglasses through the mobile vision program.
- We want to celebrate the guidance counselors again - their Wildcat Lead program has curated a great partnership between our high school and elementary students.
- Athletics are still doing very well. Our High School and Middle School Basketball teams are all off to a very successful start, as are our Swim, Wrestling, and Academic Teams.

### Major Items of Business

- The interdistrict open enrollment policy for SY 2024-25 was approved.
- A resolution authorizing the administration of 3rd Grade ELA and Math Assessments in Paper Format for the 2024-25 SY was approved.
- The Board approved a resolution authorizing the District to enter into COPs financing for the construction of a new elementary school and improvements to the middle/high school, in an amount not to exceed \$16,000,000.
- The approval of the creation of several fund accounts for the elementary school project
- A Memorandum of Understanding was approved between the Board and OAPSE related to field trip compensation for bus drivers.

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# Treasurer's Report

- We submitted and received our first FY24 ARP ESSER reimbursement request for \$314K. That leaves \$617K left on the grant (most of which is salary and benefit supplant) before it expires 9/30/2024. As a reminder we are forecasted to transfer \$336K of those reimbursed grant dollars to Permanent Improvement as seed capital for future projects.
- The district has invoiced Purina \$655K for their TY23 PILOT payment. Ernst & Young promptly responded back and said they would make every effort to make payment by end of JAN.
- We are preparing to submit our annual BWC reports. We only had one recordable accident in 2023, and only one lost work day. Our staff's safety awareness should be commended.
- HB187 update: representatives from both chambers have formed a Joint Committee to work toward reconciling the two (very different) versions.
- Finally, a quick update on Fundraising. We are getting some traction on fundraising compliance, both with coaches and support organizations. We are developing policy enhancements, and corresponding training/guidance materials, to help prevent the issues.

## Volunteer Positions

- CJ Holden - Baseball
- Brandon Lindsey - Baseball
- Jason Kreimer - Baseball

## Donations

The Board of Education would like to thank the following groups for their donations:

- Anonymous Donor for Elementary Student Lunch Debt
- Watch-US, Inc. for M/H Principal's Fund

## Next Meeting Date

The February Regular Business Meeting will take place on Monday, February 12 at 6:00pm in the Media Center at the Middle/High School.

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