

**BARTHOLOMEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION  
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023 MINUTES**

A Special School Board Meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation was held on Monday, October 30, 2023 at Columbus, Indiana, pursuant to public notice having been duly given to the media and to all members of the Board in accordance with the rules of the Board.

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present:                               Mrs. Nikki Wheeldon, President  
  Mr. Richard Stenner, Vice President  
  Mr. Todd Grimes, Secretary  
  Mr. Pat Bryant, Member  
  Mr. Dale Nowlin, Member  
  Mr. Logan Schulz, Member  
  Mr. Jason Major, Member

Administration:                       Dr. Jim Roberts, Superintendent  
  Dr. Chad Phillips, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services  
  Dr. Gina Pleak, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources  
  Dr. Brett Boezeman, Director of Operations  
  Dr. Laura Hack, Director of Elementary Education  
  Mr. Charles Edwards, Director of Secondary Education  
  Mrs. Jessica Vogel, Director of Special Education  
  Mrs. Megan Shaff, Director of Title Services

School Attorney:                      Mr. Michael McIver, Attorney

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The business meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President, Mrs. Wheeldon called the Special Board Meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- 1) The following individuals signed in to provide Public Comment:  
Mandy Keele – Columbus, IN  
Chuck Doup – Columbus, IN
- 2) Approval of the 2023-2025 Tentative Agreement between the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation and the Columbus Educators Association (Dr. Roberts)

Dr. Roberts shared additional information on the reviewed item and requested approval.

Mr. Grimes made a motion to approve item 2 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Nowlin.

Upon a call to vote, the motion passed unanimously.

- 3) Strategic Planning: Envision 2030 Facility Projects
  - Approval of Publication of Notice of First Preliminary Determination Hearing

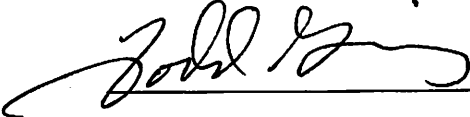
Dr. Phillips and Dr. Boezeman presented a complete list of classroom and facility investment recommendations including: a new westside elementary school; renovations to remaining elementary schools; renovations at Northside Middle School and tech equipment updates at Central Middle School; additions and renovations to both CNHS and CEHS to meet career and technical education demands; physical education and extracurricular expansions at both high schools; relocation of Bright Beginnings Early Learning Center to the Richard L. Johnson Center; relocation of Columbus Virtual Pathway to the McDowell Education Center and relocation of C4 Cosmetology to expanded space at CEHS. Dr. Phillips noted that the proposed projects can be completed without a referendum and avoiding a tax increase by timing debt from the new projects with the roll-off of existing debt. The request brought before the board is to approve a total bond issue limit of \$306M.

Dr. Roberts requested approval to post Notice of First Preliminary Determination Hearing.

Mr. Grimes made a motion to approve item 3, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Major.

Upon a call to vote, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

 Secretary

Attest:  President