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Liberty School District will equip the whole student with knowledge, skills, and character to achieve personal success as they "Soar to Excellence."

Board Meeting Agenda for October 23, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chorus Room.

1. Routine Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Agenda
- B. Approval of the following Minutes: September 23, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- C. Approval of the Bills, Payroll, and Additional Bills presented at the meeting
- D. Approval of the Treasurer's Report
- E. Approve the Financial Summary Report
- F. Approve the Food Service Report
- G. Approval of the Activity Report
- H. Approval of the Imprest Report

2. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve the District Audit FY 24
- B. Approve the advertising agreement with T-Force Marketing, who is taking care of the basketball programs funded by the Liberty Booster Club.
- C. Approve the quote from Nevco to purchase shot clocks and upgrades to our scoreboards.
- D. Approve the AirMedCare Agreement, so our employees can have a discounted rate for emergency helicopter service.

3. Discussion and Action

- A. Consider the Washington DC trip for 7/8th Graders at the end of the 2025-26 school year.
- B. Consider the Recommendations of the Facilities Committee to replace plants/trees and seek bids for adding air in the high school gym.
- C. Consider establishing Color Guard as its own club with an activity account. Mr. Barret is the sponsor for now.

4. Reports:

- A. Elementary Principal
- B. High School Principal
- C. Superintendent's Report
- D. Technology Coordinator's Report

5. Personnel Report:

- A. Approve Andrea Akers as the 5/6th Grade Volleyball coach for 2024-25.
- B. Approve Amanada Obert as a Volunteer 5/6th Grade Coach for 2024-25.
- C. Approve Mike Llewelleyn as an Associate Volleyball Coach for the remainder of 2024-25 season.
- D. Approve Urijah Curry as a Digital Board Operator for 2024-25.
- E. Approve the resignation from Dustin Jenkins as the Golf Coach, effective October 15, 2024
- F. Approve the resignation of Lance Schuette as the Assistant Golf coach, effective October 17, 2024.
- G. Approve Meghan Gertz as a substitute teacher for 2024-25.

Superintendent Comments

District Audit

The district audit was presented by Sarah Sweeting from Zumbahlen, Eyth, Surratt, Foote, & Flynn, LTD. The audit was clean and the district scored a 4.0 on the audit profile, which is the highest score possible. Student

tuition for an out-of-district enrollee is set by the auditor, based on the operational costs, which is \$9,292 for 2024-25.

T-Force Agreement

T-Force Marketing has taken over the basketball programs, rather than The Liberty Bee. The school board approved an agreement to provide pictures, names, proofreading, etc. for the programs. The Liberty Booster Club pays for the programs and we are very grateful for this support.

Shot Clocks

The school board approved adding shot clocks and upgrades to the scoreboard costing \$9,275, as required by IHSA to be in place by 2026-27.

AirMed Agreement

The Liberty School Board approved the AirMed Agreement, which allows employees of the school district to receive discounted rates. There is no cost to the school district to offer this service.

Washington DC Trip

The school board approved an opportunity for the 7/8th graders to take a trip to Washington DC at the end of the 2025-26 school year. These are self-funded trips that students and adults pay for through a company known as WorldStrides. A presentation was made to the Student Success/Programs Committee and recommended to be presented to the school board, by Grace Ross and Brittany Cromie, for approval.

Facilities Committee

The Facilities Committee met on October 21. The recommendations for the school board were to replace three trees that were cut down due to the Ash Borer Disease, along with some bushes affected by bagworms located near the veteran statue. They also discussed putting air in the high school gym and seeking bids.

Color Guard

Mr. Barrett has asked that the school board allow Color Guard to be their own club with a separate activity fund from Band. Currently, Mr. Barrett is the sponsor, but would like to see a more qualified person supervise this group in the future. Color Guard students are no longer required to be in band class and only have a short season during marching band. Also, their fundraising efforts are different from the band.

Shout out to Brittany Cromie, Grace Ross, Melissa Straley, and Tennille Gimm for the great job they did on their presentations! Thanks to others for sharing important info. during Closed Session.

