FOR ACTION: Appoint School Improvement Administrator

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of School Trustees appoint Kim Sechler as School Improvement Administrator with the following terms of employment:

Effective Dates: August 20, 2008 – June 2, 2009
Principal Position: 200-day contract (.5 FTE) – 183 days due to late start date
Salary: To be determined based on the 2008-2009 Administrators Agreement

Background Information and Supporting Data

The Fairview Restructuring Committee or Friends of Fairview met from August 2007 through June 2008 to develop a restructuring plan. This is a requirement and a result of Fairview not making AYP (average yearly progress) under NCLB (No Child Left Behind). The restructuring of the school’s governance is one of the options open to us and the one that has been selected. The revised plan submitted to the IDOE (Indiana Department of Education) provides for a .5 FTE central office administrator and that restructuring plan was approved. The Board approved the creation of a School Improvement Administrator position on July 8, 2008. The School Improvement Administrator will work directly with the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction. Responsibilities of the position have been outlined in the job description included in the plan submitted to IDOE and previously shared with the Board.

Kim Sechler earned his B. S. degree from Michigan State University and his Specialist degree from Indiana University. He began his career in 1976 as an elementary teacher in the Brown County School District. He served as principal at three elementary schools in Brown County. Mr. Sechler also was Grandview Elementary principal from 1989-1995 before returning once again to Brown County. His most recent administrative assignment was a principal of Helmsburg Elementary School where he was charged with leading the Title I and School Improvement Committee to increase ISTEP+ scores and meet AYP.