

**Minutes – Meeting of the
Board of Education of the
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana
April 10, 2024**

A meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the district office of MSD of North Posey County, on April 10, 2024. The following Board members were present:

- Todd Slagle, Superintendent
- Michelle Walden, Assistant Superintendent (Virtually Present)
- Vincent F. Oakley, President
- Larry A. Kahle, Vice President
- Lindsey N. Bowers, Secretary
- Gregory U. Schmitt, Member
- Jenifer Neidig, Member

Executive Session

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of IC 5-14- 1.5-6.1 (3 & 9) for discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures and to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:28 p.m.

Regular Meeting

The Board of Education convened for the regular meeting at 6:34 p.m. with President, Vince Oakley, calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of the Vision, Mission, Core Beliefs, & High Priorities

Mr. Slagle read the Vision, Mission, Core Beliefs, and High Priorities.

Patron Concerns

There were no patrons present to address the Board.

Minutes, Claim Docket and Consent Items

Vince Oakley asked the Board for a motion to approve the consent items as listed:

- Minutes of the previous meetings on March 11, 2024.
- Claim Docket for the period of March 11, 2024, to April 10, 2024.
- The following FMLA and personal leave requests:
 - Kathy Veeck: Five (5) leave days April 29 – May 3, 2024.
- The following resignations and retirements for the 2023-2024 school year:
 - Abigail Smiljanich: Resign as a teacher at South Terrace Elementary School effective June 30, 2024.

- Jessica Schenk: Resign as the Girls’ Head Basketball Coach for North Posey High School effective at the end of the 2024 basketball season.
- Matthew Cox: Resign as the Head Wrestling Coach for North Posey High School effective immediately.
- Michele Parrish: Resign as the Assistant Athletic Director and Girls’ Assistant Basketball Coach.
- The following hiring & transfer requests for the 2023-2024 school year:
 - Matt Utley: Hire as the website manager for the remainder of the school year.
 - Morgan Daly: Hire as a Class of 2026 Sponsor
 - Chad Hoehn: Hire as the Interim Head Wrestling Coach at North Posey High School effective immediately.
 - Waylon Schenk: Hire as the Interim Head Girls’ Basketball Coach at North Posey High School effective immediately.
- The following overnight and/or out of state field trips:
 - Academic Bowl State Finals at Purdue University May 3-4, 2024
 - BPA National Conference May 10-14, 2024, in Chicago, IL.

Mrs. Bowers made a motion to approve the consent items as presented and Mr. Kahle seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

New Business

Mr. Slagle recommended the Board revise the High Priorities to state “Investing in administrators and staff” instead of “Investing in teachers and administrators” to be inclusive to all employees. Mr. Kahle made a motion to approve the recommendation and Mrs. Neidig seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

Mr. Slagle presented for consideration the Resolution Authorizing HEA 1003 Flexibility Waiver to use instructional minutes rather than instructional days. Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the request and Mrs. Bowers seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

Mr. Slagle presented to the Board the request from Stacy Newman-Smith, Food Service Director, to purchase six (6) new computers for the cafeteria registers at a cost of \$5,149.49. Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Kahle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

Dr. Walden, present virtually, presented to the Board for first read the Students section of the Neola Policy. No action is required of the Board currently. The Students section shall be presented to the Board for second read and approval in the May meeting.

Mr. Slagle requested the Board approve the corporation to advertise the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Banking Services for Extra Curricular Accounts. As per the RFP, proposals will be accepted through May 2, 2024, with the Board selecting a provider during the May 13, 2024,

meeting. Mr. Kahle made a motion to approve request and Mrs. Neidig seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Mr. Slagle requested the Board approve the corporation to advertise the Request for Proposal (RFP) for a Food Service Management Company pending approval of the RFP by the Indiana Department of Education School and Community Nutrition Program. As per the RFP, proposals will be accepted through May 15, 2024, with the Board selecting a provider during the June 10, 2024, meeting. Mrs. Neidig made a motion to approve request and Mr. Schmitt seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Mr. Slagle requested the Board approve the contract with Lamar to advertise on the billboard located on Winterheimer road from May 20, 2024, through May 18, 2025. The cost is \$2,125.00 from the ESSR III fund. Mr. Kahle made a motion to approve the contract and Mrs. Bowers seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Mr. Slagle presented to the Board for consideration the recommendation from Sean Fisher to add new courses to the High School; Civil Construction Fundamentals, Advanced Civil Construction, Principles of Education, Child and Adolescent Development, Teaching and Learning, and Digital Media. Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the new courses and Mrs. Neidig seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Dr. Walden, present virtually, communicated to the Board that the spring 2024 textbook adoption for miscellaneous curriculum was in progress. Adoption materials were available to the Board in their packet. The materials shall also be available to the public for review at each building office as well as the district office. No action is required of the Board currently. The recommended curriculum will be brought to the Board for approval in the May meeting.

Personnel

Professional Leave

Mr. Slagle presented the following professional leave requests that have already occurred. The requests were received too late to obtain Board approval prior to the leave but are being brought to the Board at this time.

Name	School	Date/Reason	Location	Approx Cost/Fund
Tracee Foley Kaylie Kissel	NES STES	March 20, 2024 Defusing Disruptive Behavior	NES	Sub Cost IDEA SPED Grant
Nathan Brandle	NPHS	April 4, 2024 Indiana Ignite Manufacturing Summit	Jeffersonville	Sub Cost Only Education Fund
Christopher Barker	NPJHS	April 4, 2024 JH/MS PAC Athletic Director Meeting	Huntingburg	Sub Cost Only ECA Fund

Upon a motion made by Mr. Schmitt and seconded by Mr. Kahle to approve the expenses to be paid as indicated above with a 5 to 0 vote.

Mr. Slagle presented the following professional leave requests:

Name	School	Date/Reason	Location	Approx Cost/Fund
Michelle Walden	CO	April 9-11, 2024 TitleCon2024	Plainfield	\$535.15 + Van Use ESSR III
Bradley Wallace	NPHS	May 6-8, 2024 Traffic Control Classes	Indianapolis	\$600.00 + Sub Costs Education Fund
Jayme Bender Amanda Lynn Amy Motz Bobbie Rankin Todd Slagle Michelle Walden	CO	May 8-10, 2024 IASBO Annual Conference	French Lick	\$4,350.00 + Van Use Operation Fund

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Neidig and seconded by Mrs. Bowers, to approve the professional leave requests with a 5 to 0 vote.

Reports and Information

- Good News Report
- ISBA Spring Regional Meeting – April 30

Next Board Meeting

The next Regular Board meeting will be Monday, May 13, 2024. Executive session, if needed, will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the regular meeting to begin at 6:30 p.m. at the District Office.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the public hearing, as well as the regular meeting, was made by Mr. Kahle, seconded by Mr. Schmitt. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Vincent F. Oakley, President

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MSD of North Posey County