

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Education of the Metropolitan School  
District of North Posey County, Indiana

Held August 12, 1974

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 12th day of August, 1974, at 7:30 p. m. Members attending were Fletchall, Eisterhold, Staples and Tenison. Also present were Superintendent Hollen, Administrative Assistant Hollen, and Attorney Schuler.

The meeting was called to order by President Fletchall, who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of July 22 were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims Allowed

Claims No. 57 through No. 104 in the total amount of \$7,274.29 were presented to the Board for consideration, and upon motion duly made by Tenison, seconded by Eisterhold and unanimously carried, were approved by the Board and ordered paid.

Transportation

Administrative <sup>cost</sup> Wilson gave a report on costs on transporting the students for the year 1973-74, showing that the total local cost was \$77,251.00; that the total local cost per pupil per year was \$39.71; that the total local cost per pupil per day was \$.22; and that the total local cost per pupil per mile was \$.32. He further reported that there were 29 school busses on hand, and that there were 25 regularly scheduled routes.

Following a discussion, permission was given to advertise for the purchase of two new 60-passenger busses for bids to be open in the month of November.

The Board further agreed to permit families living north of the newly established kindergarten boundary line for North Elementary School to send their students to the North Elementary School, whether or not there were children in kindergarten.

Title I Personnel

Mr. Hollen and Mr. Wilson offered recommendations for the employment of educational aides under Title I, subject to receiving the official written approval of the program, as follows: Addie B. Smith, Karen Powers, Carla Rutledge and Connie Bryant. These aides will be paid \$17.50 a day, or \$3,150.00 a year.

Instructional Personnel

The Superintendent reported personnel employed, and to be employed, for the filling of late vacancies as follows:

Linda Monge - full time Math at H. S. - replaces Miss Enlow  
Katherine Land - French and English at H. S. - replaces Mrs. Deckard  
Linda Geisler - Kindergarten - four sections at North Elementary  
Jeffrey May - half-time Math at Jr. H. S. - replaces Mrs. Rapp  
Yvonne Thompson - Business at H. S. - replaces Pam Decker.

Following a discussion, the employment of all personnel was approved by the Board.

Boiler Repair

Mr. Hollen reported that he had caused the boiler at the North Elementary School to be subject to a dye test in search of alleged weaknesses, and that a reappraisal had been made by the insurance inspector. It was now necessary only that four tubes and welds be replaced, rather than the extensive repairs originally recommended. He reported that quotes would be received from Scott Boiler Company and Evansville Wet Heat, Inc., for the repair work, and that the contract would be awarded to the lowest bidder. He further reported that all costs of the repair was covered by insurance.

Blairsville Water

The Superintendent reported that John TenBarge had indicated that plans called for a water line to be laid through the Blairsville area, and that it would be possible for the South Terrace Elementary School to secure water from this main through a 1-1/2 inch meter. If this were done, the minimum monthly cost would be \$37.40. The Superintendent further reported that to secure the water, it would be necessary to pay the remaining \$75.00 of membership application, and a \$200.00 meter deposit. Following a discussion, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Superintendent was ordered to issue a check for \$275.00 in payment of the remaining amount owed for membership and for the meter deposit.

Teacher Requests

Miss Diane Smith requested leave of absence on August 28, to be a personal leave day, and on August 29 and 30, to be leave days without pay, in order to attend a Tennis Teachers' Conference in New York City. Permission was granted.

Mr. James Kennett requested two days of personal leave on August 22 and 23, in order to participate in the two-week training program of the Indiana National Guard. Permission for this leave was granted.

Lightning Damage

The Superintendent reported that various damage was sustained at the high school in recent electrical storms, resulting in the need to replace some of the lighting equipment at the high school athletic field, a motor at the cavitator, and several relays. He reported that work orders had been issued, and that all the damage was covered by insurance.

Miscellaneous

The Superintendent reported to the Board that he had held a conference with Myron Westfall, president, North Posey NEA, John Roberts, area uniserve representative, and Mrs. Gleim and Mrs. Jacqueline Williams, in which protest was made over the assignment of ~~two~~ two elementary teachers to teach a class at the high school level. Mr. Hollen reported that he explained that this was an administrative decision, and that the instructors were aware of their assignment at the time they signed their contract, and that although he was willing to discuss this matter with the NEA, nevertheless the ultimate decision on teacher assignment remained with the administrative staff and board.

Contracts for the bus drivers were presented to the Board for consideration, and were signed by the Board.

Following a further discussion of school matters, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 9:15 p. m.

*P. C. Fletcher*

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*Kenneth Eisterhold*

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*Billy D. Staples*

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*Jesse Tenison, Jr.*

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Board of Education

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Held August 26, 1974

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 26th day of August, 1974, at 7:30 p.m. Members present were Eisterhold, Staples, Hall, Tenison and Fletchall. Also attending were Superintendent Hollen, Administrative Assistant Wilson and Attorney Schuler.

The meeting was called to order by President Fletchall, who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of August 12 were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims Allowed

Claims No. 108 through No. 137 in the amount of \$27,148.43 and Title 1 Claim in the amount of \$40.26 were presented to the Board for consideration and upon motion duly made by Tenison, seconded by Hall and unanimously carried, were approved by the Board and ordered paid.

School Opening

The Superintendent reported that the first day of school went very smoothly due to pre-enrollment program worked out by the Administrative Staff and the Principals. He reported that the attendance in the schools was as follows:

South Terrace Elementary School	398
North Elementary School	494
Junior High	343
High School	679
Total	1,914
1973-74 Total	1,893

He also reported that there were two students to be transported to Evansville under the Special Education Program and that Mrs. Jody Wilson would be again employed to transport these students.

Boiler Repairs

Superintendent reported that no further quotes had been received for the repair of the boiler at the North Elementary School and that upon direction by the insurance company a work order was given to Scott Boiler Service to do the repair work.

Kitchen Installation and Repair of Property

The Superintendent reported that the new kitchen equipment in the high school had been installed and was operating well; that the electrical damage to the high school area had been repaired with Althoff-Howard doing the work; and that

Scott Boiler Service had been directed to order a new hot water tank for the South Terrace Elementary School.

#### Custodial Overtime

The Superintendent reported that due to the need for a custodian to be on hand while the electrical repairs were being made at the high school, Robert Smith had worked several hours of overtime, and he had been instructed to turn this time in for overtime payment. He further reported that custodians Emory and Wilson had worked overtime cleaning the Administrative office and that they would be paid the proper amount for this work.

#### School Starting Time

A discussion was had concerning the hour at which school should start in the morning, due to the fact that as fall and winter approached, some students would be starting for school in the dark. The Superintendent stated that problems would arise in coordinating the joint transportation between Mt. Vernon and our district in the event each school was at a different starting time. He further reported that there was some Congressional study under way to determine whether the present time would be continued or whether there would be a return to partial Daylight Saving and partial Standard Time. No action was taken by the Board at this time.

#### Hospitalization Insurance

Administrative Assistant Wilson reported that due to the group experience of the North Posey unit Blue Cross-Blue Shield hospitalization costs would go up effective November 1, 1974. He reported that the cost of a single plan would increase from \$229.08 per year to \$263.76 per year, for an increase of \$34.68, and that the cost of a family plan would increase from \$602.76 per year to \$693.48 per year, an increase of \$90.72. He reported that the over-all cost to the district of the hospitalization program would be \$25,537.36, or an increase over last year of \$4,722.48.

#### Transportation

Administrative Assistant Wilson reported on the school bus transportation system indicating that no problems had arisen with the opening of school. He further reported that all buses would be inspected by the Indiana State Police on September 17th and that certain adjustments would be made in a couple of the bus routes in the near future in order to eliminate excessive bus riding by elementary students.

#### Surplus Property

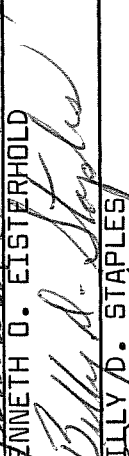
The Superintendent reported that the district owned a 1954 Ford sedan automobile which was not in running condition and had been surveyed and found to be of no value to the district and reported that the same should be sold as junk property as provided by law. Following a discussion upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried permission was given for the sale of this property.

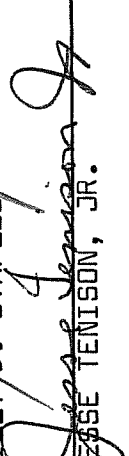
Following a general discussion of school business, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 8:45 p.m.

  
P. C. FLETCHALL

  
JACK D. HALL

  
KENNETH O. EISTERHOLD

  
BILLY D. STAPLES

  
JESSE TENISON, JR.

Board of Education