

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
NORTH POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA**

HELD MARCH 11, 1996

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the M.S.D. of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 11th day of March, 1996, at the hour of 5:30 P.M., with Board Members Baehl, Seibert, Lewis, Buecher, and Mauck present. Also attending was Superintendent Rapp.

At 5:30 P.M. it was the decision of the Board to go into an executive session to discuss personnel according to Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) (8). The Board secured from executive session at 6:25 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Baehl, who presided. Minutes of the previous meetings of February 12th and February 21st were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims

A copy of the Claim Docket was presented to the Board for their consideration and upon a motion made by Mauck, seconded by Seibert, and unanimously carried, was approved. A copy of the approved claim docket shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

Computer/Technology Coordinator

Superintendent Rapp introduced Mark Parker, the district's new Computer Technology Coordinator, to the Board and reported that he began his work on Monday, February 26, 1996.

Computerizing the Library at North Elementary School

Robert Hunt, Principal at North Elem., Waynette Westerfield, Librarian, and Mark Parker made a joint presentation to the Board for computerizing the library at North Elementary in 1996. Mrs. Westerfield explained that she had visited other schools to review the hardware and software being used in their computerized libraries. Mr. Hunt explained that the total cost for computerizing the library would be \$18,700 and that he would use \$4,000 from the school's incentive grant money and Title VI funds which would leave a total of \$14,000 to be paid from the district's Capital Projects fund. Mrs. Westerfield explained that she would like to computerize the library at North Elementary in 1996 and request permission to computerize the South Terrace library in 1997, stating that it would be too much of an undertaking for her to do both schools in the same school year. She also requested that the Board permit Sherry Grisham to work 6 additional hours a week the remainder of the present school year in order to complete preliminary work necessary for computerizing the library.

Following a discussion, Board Member Mauck made a motion to approve Mr. Hunt's request to computerize the North Elementary library. Board Member Buecher requested that Mrs. Mauck amend her motion to approve computerizing of North Elementary library, with the understanding that the next new project at the elementary schools would first be initiated at South Terrace Elementary. Mrs. Mauck agreed to amend her motion as requested by Mr. Buecher. Following a discussion related to hardware addressed to Mr. Parker by Board Member Seibert, Buecher seconded Mauck's motion as amended and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

Jim Droege - "Outdoor Classrooms"

Jim Droege, President of the Posey County Soil and Water District was present to discuss the feasibility of developing outdoor classrooms at North Posey Jr. High School. The Board previewed a 10 minute VCR program entitled "Outdoor Classrooms". Following the VCR program Mr. Droege stated that the soil conservation district had funds that would be made available to schools for the development of outdoor classrooms that would provide unlimited learning opportunities for students and faculty in cooperation with the soil and water district. The Board unanimously agreed to take the outdoor classroom proposal under consideration until a later date.

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1996 Summer School

Mr. Rapp reported that there were seven elementary school teachers and one high school teacher interested in teaching summer school classes. He further reported that surveys to sign up for classes would go out to parents the week of April 1-5, 1996. Summer School classes will begin on June 3rd and end on the 28th of June.

Resignation of Cindy Elpers

On a motion made by Buecher, seconded by Mauck and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the resignation of Cindy Elpers as Jr. High School Cheerleader coach.

Resignation of Franzy Fleck

On a motion made by Buecher, seconded by Seibert, and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the resignation of Franzy Fleck as Jr. High School Football coach.

ISTEP and C.T.B.S. Testing

Mr. Rapp reported to the Board that ISTEP testing for students in grades 3, 6, and 10 would be given between March 4 - 15 and that elementary students in grades 1, 2, 4, and 5 would be taking the C.T.B.S. (California Test of Basic Skills).

School Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Rapp reminded the Board of the public hearing on the lease agreement and to approve design development plans would be at 6:30 P.M. on Monday, March 18, 1996.

The Board also set the following meeting dates:

April 1st - Executive Session - 5:00 P.M.

Building Principals report to Board on staff recommendations for 1996-97 and to discuss personnel according to Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)8.

Regular Meeting - 6:30 P.M.

April 8th - Executive Session - 5:00 P.M.

Mr. Hunt to report to Board of staff recommendations for 1996-97.

Professional Leave Requests

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Rapp, on a motion made by Seibert, seconded by Lewis and unanimously carried the following professional leave requests were approved:

JoBerta Hein - attend the Indiana Association of Family and Consumer Sciences meeting in Vincennes.

Diane Smith - attend the National Forensic League District Tournament at Columbus East High School on March 22 and 23.

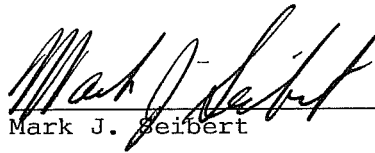
Posey County Farm Bureau Banquet

Mr. Rapp reminded the Board that the annual Posey County Farm Bureau Banquet for Board Members and wives would be on April 2nd at the Mt. Vernon High School cafeteria beginning at 6:00 P.M.

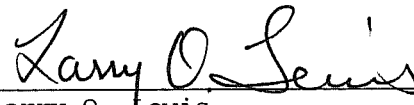
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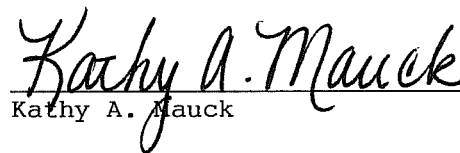
Mark J. Seibert



Larry O. Lewis



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Kathy A. Mauck

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A special public meeting of the Board of Education of the M.S.D. of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 18th day of March, 1996, at the hour of 6:30 P.M., with Board Members Baehl, Seibert, Lewis, Buecher, and Mauck present. Also attending were Superintendent Rapp, School Attorney Bender, Financial Advisor Lonnie Therber, and Mike Buente, Tom Durkin, and Fred Pendley of Veazey, Parrott and Shoulders Architects.

William Centifanto - English Teacher

Mr. Rapp introduced William Centifanto to the Board as the new English teacher at North Posey High School, replacing Bette Hunt, who will be retiring at the end of the present school year.

Lease Agreement

Lonnie Thurber, the Board's financial consultant, was present to explain the lease agreement between North Posey School Building Corporation, Lessor, and the M.S.D. of North Posey County, Lessee. There were no remonstrators against the lease agreement present. Mr. Therber reviewed the lease agreement with the Board, explaining the agreement was for a period of twenty-two (22) years and that the annual payments would gradually increase each year but would never exceed a maximum annual payment of \$500,000. He further explained that the debt service tax rate would not exceed 80¢ at any time during the lease agreement.

Following a discussion, on a motion duly made by Buecher, seconded by Mauck and unanimously carried the Board approved the lease agreement and authorized execution of the lease agreement once the district had their hearing before the School Property Tax Control Board on March 21, 1996 and received order from the Board of Tax Commissioners. A copy of the lease agreement shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

Design Development Plans

Mike Buente of Veazey, Parrott and Shoulders Architects was present to request the Board's approval to proceed with design development plans for the remodeling and new construction of North Posey Jr. High and the air conditioning of the elementary schools. Mr. Buente explained that the Jr. High School project would have a three price contract; general construction, mechanical, and electrical and stated a bidder could bid on one, two, or all three.

Tom Durkin reviewed with the Board the plans for the installation of new heating systems and air conditioning of the elementary schools and explained that multi-purpose rooms would be air-conditioned but the cafeterias would not have air-conditioning. He further explained that the chiller to be installed at North Posey Jr High School would be large enough to air-condition the entire building if funds were available.

Mike Buente then reviewed with the Board the structure of the bids and alternate bids at the Jr High, which is:

- Base Bid - Administrative Offices and classrooms
- 1st Alternate - Mass Learning Center
- 2nd Alternate - Dressing Rooms
- 3rd Alternate - Softball Field
- 4th Alternate - HVAC Band/Choral Room and Home Ec. Room
- 5th Alternate - HVAC West Wing of Jr. H.S.
- 6th Alternate - HVAC West Wing of High School

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Mr. Buente explained that there would be no air-conditioning in the gymnasium or locker rooms at the Jr. H.S.

Following a discussion, on a motion made by Mauck, seconded by Lewis, and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Veazey, Parrott and Shoulders Architects to proceed with design development plans for the project.


Language Arts Textbook Adoption

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Rapp and the elementary principals Robert Hunt and Robert Gentil, on a motion duly made by Seibert, seconded by Mauck, and unanimously carried, the Board adopted the Silver Burdette series in Language Arts for a six year period, beginning with the 1996-97 school year through the 2001-02 school year.

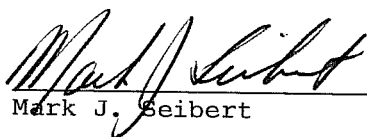
Carnegie Library Board Appointment

On a motion made by Seibert, seconded by Buecher, and unanimously carried, the Board appointed Venita Nottingham as their representative from Smith Township on the Poseyville Carnegie Library Board.

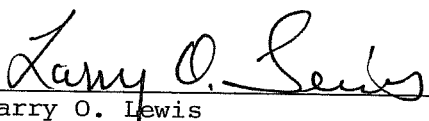
There being no further school business to come before the Board at this time, on a motion made by Seibert, seconded by Mauck and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M.




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