

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education
of the
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana
*Held on August 9, 1999***

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the Board Room at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 9th day of August 1999. The meeting began at the hour of 5:40 p.m. The following Board members were present: Michael Baehl, Stephen Bender, Larry Lewis, Kathy Mauck, and Mark Seibert. Also present were Ernest W. Rapp, Superintendent, and John D. Wood, Administrative Assistant.

At 5:40 p.m., it was the decision of the Board to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(2-B) for discussion of strategy with respect to initiation of litigation or litigation which is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing; and/or; IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (8) to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The Board adjourned from Executive Session at 6:17 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened for the regular meeting at 6:22 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Lewis. Minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday, July 12, 1999 was submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Seibert, and unanimously carried.

CLAIM DOCKET

A copy of the current claim docket was presented to the Board for consideration. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mr. Seibert, and unanimously carried, the claim docket was approved by the Board. A copy of the claim docket, as approved by the Board, shall be made a part of the official minutes by incorporation.

AGENDA

Permission to Advertise 2000 Budget

Mr. Rapp asked the Board for permission to officially advertise the year 2000 Budget. The legal advertisement will be placed in the Posey County News and appear on Tuesday, August 17, 1999 and a second time on Tuesday, August 24, 1999 as is required by law. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Baehl, the motion to grant permission to advertise the 2000 Budget was unanimously passed.

Request for Band Field Trip

Mr. Rapp introduced Mrs. Karen Kulenkamp, President of North Posey Band Boosters. Mrs. Kulenkamp requested permission on behalf of the North Posey High School Marching Viking Band to pursue plans to march in the Fourth of July Parade in Washington, DC in the year 2000. The band has been invited to represent the state of Indiana in this parade celebration. Costs for band members and chaperones have not been determined. The Band Boosters will raise money for expenses through various fund-raising campaigns. Mrs. Kulenkamp assured the Board that no student would be denied the opportunity to go on the trip

because of a lack of personal funds to pay their own way. On a motion by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the Board approved the request unanimously.

Teacher Orientation Day Schedule

Mr. Rapp shared the Teacher Orientation Day schedule set for Monday, August 16, 1999 with the Board. The activity will take place at the Mass Learning Center at North Posey Junior High School. First on the agenda at 7:45 a.m. is a buffet breakfast for all staff members in the cafeteria at North Posey High School. The orientation meeting begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at noon. Mr. Rapp invited all of the Board members to attend this opening meeting.

PTO Project Requests at North Elementary

Mr. Rapp introduced Mrs. Jeana Will, president of the North Elementary PTO, and Tim Teel, principal at North Elementary, to explain some proposals for some improvement projects at North Elementary School. Mrs. Will offered a plan by the PTO to work on the completion of the proposed projects and to finance the projects through an anonymous donor. Project ideas were coordinated through Mr. Teel, the building principal. The PTO proposals include:

1. New landscaping around the building
2. Cabling and networking the entire building for computer usage
3. Purchasing and installing new playground equipment
4. Fencing around playground areas for security

Assisting with the completion of the landscaping project will be Craig Seibert. Craig is working on his Eagle Scout Award and this project will help him complete his community service requirement. The Board praised the PTO proposals and gave the go-ahead to finalize each proposal for final approval.

Request to Use North Elementary Parking Lot for Autumnfest

Mr. Rapp introduced Carolyn Riley, representing the Poseyville Autumnfest Committee. Mrs. Riley asked for permission to use the parking lot at North Elementary School on September 25 and 26 for Autumnfest activities. The committee will provide the required certificates of liability insurance for their various planned activities. They will also provide security and proper cleanup of the area. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Baehl, the Board unanimously passed the motion granting the request.

Recommendation of Susan Schmitt

Mr. Rapp recommended Mrs. Susan Schmitt be assigned as the pre-school language therapist for the School District to replace Pat Stewart. Mrs. Schmitt will also continue as speech therapist at North Posey Junior High School and be on a full time salary based on the MSD of North Posey County schedule. On a motion made by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Resignation of Lisa Koester as Spell Bowl Coach

Mr. Rapp asked the Board to accept the resignation of Lisa Koester as Spell Bowl coach at North Posey Junior High School. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion unanimously carried.

Resignation of Robin Tepool as Elementary Enrichment Coordinator and Recommendation of Erin Stump

Mr. Rapp submitted the resignation from Robin Tepool as Enrichment Coordinator for North Elementary School and South Terrace Elementary School. He recommended Erin Stump be employed to fill this position for the 1999-2000 school year. On a motion by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously passed.

Report on Annual State Police School Bus Safety Inspection

Mr. Wood informed the Board that on Friday, July 29, 1999, the annual State Police school bus safety inspection was held at the bus garage starting at 7:00 a.m. Mr. Wood reported that all buses and vans passed the inspection with "flying colors". This perfect score was the first recorded by the State Police inspection team this year. Mr. Wood praised the great job performed by Jerry Straw and Billy Hopf in getting the buses ready for the inspection. Mr. Wood also complimented the super cleanup job done by Kris Mauck and Kyle Tooley.

Word of the Week

Mr. Rapp announced that the School Corporation would participate in the "Word of the Week" program again this school year. Mrs. Kathy Mauck prepared the list of words. A copy of the list shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

No TV Week

Mr. Rapp reported that the fifth annual "No TV Week" would be taking place October 4-8, 1999.

1999 Annual Performance Report

Mr. Rapp explained to the Board the information that appears in the 1999 Annual Performance Report, prepared by the Indiana Department of Education. This full report must be published in the local newspaper at least one time between September 1 and 15. Mr. Rapp will have the Posey County News publish the complete report on Tuesday, September 7, 1999. A copy of the Annual Performance Report, as presented to the Board, shall be made a part of the official minutes by incorporation.

Request for Extracurricular Funds Purchase

Mr. Rapp asked the Board to approve a purchase by Mr. Sergesketter, principal at North Posey Junior High School, using extracurricular funds. The item is a decorative fountain that will be installed in the courtyard at the junior high. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Bender, the motion did not pass. Voting in favor of the motion were Mrs. Mauck and Mr. Seibert. Voting against the motion were Mr. Baehl, Mr. Bender, and Mr. Lewis.

Open House Dates

Mr. Rapp announced the dates for the 1999 "Open House" activities for each of the schools to be as follows:

- Wednesday, August 25 – North Posey Junior High School – 6:00 p.m.
- Monday, August 30 – North Elementary School – 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 1 – North Posey High School – 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, September 13 – South Terrace Elementary – 7:00 p.m.

Salaries for Elementary Principals

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board set salaries for Timothy Teel, principal at North Elementary School and Mrs. Kelly Carlton Pfister, principal at South Terrace Elementary School for the 1999-2000 school year. The salary for Mr. Teel would be \$58,661 with TRF. The actual contract shall be written for \$56,952. Mrs. Pfister's salary would be \$57,631 with TRF. The actual contract shall be written for \$55,952. On a motion by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mr. Baehl, the motion unanimously carried.


Future Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Rapp established the following dates for future Board meetings:

- Tuesday, September 7 – Public Hearing on the 2000 Budget – 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, September 20 – Regular meeting to adopt the 2000 Budget
Executive Session – 5:30 p.m. – Regular meeting 6:15 p.m.
- Monday, October 18 – Regular meeting – 6:15 p.m. – Executive Session – 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment

As there was no further school business to come before the Board at this time, President Lewis entertained a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Seibert, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Larry O. Lewis, President

Stephen H. Bender, Board Member



Michael A. Baehl, Vice-President



Mark J. Seibert, Board Member



Kathy A. Mauck, Secretary

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