

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Education  
of the  
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana  
*Held on June 10, 2002***

A 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2002. The meeting began at the hour of 6:40 p.m. The following were present:

Larry Lewis— President

Michael Baehl— Vice-President

Kathy Mauck— Secretary

Mark Seibert— Board Member

John Wood— Superintendent

Todd Armstrong— Administrative Assistant

**Executive Session**

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (2a and 2d) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and the purchase or lease of real property by the governing body; and (9) to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:35 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened for the regular meeting at 6:40 p.m. with Board President Larry Lewis calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes of the previous meeting held on May 13, 2002 were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Baehl, and unanimously carried.

**Claim Docket**

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

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Band Booster Update**

Mr. Bill Farmer was present (along with booster club members) to speak on behalf of the North Posey Band Boosters. They do not believe that the staffing for the music program is

adequate to meet the needs of the program. They feel that the newly assigned duties of the elementary band instructor at the junior high short-changes the elementary program in such a manner that the cost of the equipment for the elementary students is not warranted. Mr. Farmer also expressed that they were not happy with the notification provided by the junior high administration in regard to the reduction in class periods from eight (8) to seven (7). They do not feel that the junior high administration has been cooperative. He requested that the Board take into serious consideration the ramifications of changes in the current band program. They realize that due to financial constraints, additional help is not realistic. Mr. Farmer provided suggestions of re-working the schedule between the music teachers at the junior high and high schools and possible consideration for dropping music appreciation and music theory classes.

Mr. Wood responded to the band boosters in the following fashion:

1. Music theory and music appreciation are fine arts credits which are Academic Honors Diploma requirements.
2. The schedule between the two music instructors at the junior high and high school has been worked and re-worked.
3. Additional staffing is indeed an impossibility at this time.

Mr. Dan Reyher asked if any other teachers had certification that would enable them to pick up a portion of the load. Mr. Wood said that he was pretty sure no one else had the appropriate certifications in music but would review teacher files to be certain. He would let Mr. Reyher know at a later date.

Some emotion came into play as Mr. Farmer expressed the opinion that the Corporation is "messing up." He said, "I don't like it, and I'm mad about it!" He thinks the school corporation feels that part of the music program is expendable. Apologizing for the outburst, Mr. Farmer expressed that he was just greatly concerned for the students in the school district and wants what is best for them.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Acceptance of Title I Grant for 2002-2003 School Year**

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board accept the 2002-2003 allocation of Title I grant money in the amount of \$147,726.24. Mr. Baehl motioned to accept the Indiana Department of Education's allocation of Title I money for the 2002-2003 school year. His motion was seconded by Mrs. Mauck and unanimously carried.

### **Recommendation of Trash Removal Bids**

William Bender, school corporation attorney, opened bids in regard to the trash removal for the entire school corporation on Friday, June 7, 2002. Onyx provided a total bid package

equal to \$571 per month while Larry Marshal, Inc. provided a total bid package of \$580 per month. Both bids came in less than last year's prices. Mr. Wood recommended that the Board accept the lesser bid submitted by Onyx for the next fiscal year. Mr. Seibert motioned to approve the motion while Mr. Baehl seconded. Before the vote, Mrs. Mauck shared her view that because the bids were so close, the Corporation should accept the bid of the local business— Larry Marshall, Inc. Larry Marshall suggested that Onyx be required to provide the service equivalent to that which he has provided for the past year. Mr. Wood stated that he would return to Marshall's service should that not be the case. The Board vote was 2-1 in favor of the recommendation with Kathy Mauck voting against it.

### **Recommendation of Dairy and Bread Bids**

William Bender, school corporation attorney, opened bids in regard to the dairy and bakery products for the school corporation cafeterias on Friday, June 7, 2002. Only one (1) bid was submitted for each, so Mr. Wood recommended that the Board accept Ideal American's bids for dairy products and Earthgrain's bids for bakery products for the 2002-2003 school year. On a motion by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the Board voted unanimously to accept both bids.

### **Recommendation for Construction of Storage Barn**

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board approve a request by Donna McGinness and Kevin Murphy to construct a storage barn for soccer equipment at North Elementary School. The construction and materials for the barn would be no cost to the school corporation. Mr. Seibert seconded Mr. Baehl's motion, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the recommendation.

## **PERSONNEL**

### **Professional Leave Requests for the MSD of North Posey County**

Mr. Wood recommended approval of the following professional leave requests.

Roberta Adamson	NPJHS	LaCrosse, Wisconsin	Workshop on library management software called Sagebrush on July 25 and 26, 2002
Roberta Adamson	NPJHS	Bowling Green, KY	Training on the Accelerated Reading Program used in the high school and junior high school (August 2, 2002)
Gayle Blunier	NPHS	Bloomington, Indiana	Conference on voice recognition technology (VRT) on June 4 and 5, 2002 (cost of hotel only)

On a motion by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the Board voted unanimously to approve the professional leave requests.

### **Acceptance of Resignations (as listed)**

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board accept the following resignations:

Kenny Treadway	Special education teacher and assistant football coach at North Posey High School
Rick Wilgus	Business teacher and assistant baseball coach at North Posey High School
Michele Sells	Assistant girls' basketball coach at North Posey High School
Paul Rynkiewich	Head varsity boys' track coach at North Posey High School
Bill Centifanto	English Hoosier Bowl Academic Team coach at North Posey High School
Mike Kuhn	Head varsity girls' track coach at North Posey High School

On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Kathy Mauck, the Board voted unanimously to accept all resignations.

### **Withdrawal of Resignation**

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board accept Charles Mair's rescinding of his resignation as head varsity girls' basketball coach for the 2002-2003 school year. Mr. Baehl made the motion to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, and the Board vote was unanimous.

### **Approval of Summer Camps**

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board approve the following two (2) summer camps.

- 1) Mr. Charles Mair will hold summer girls' basketball team camps the week of June 11-14, 2002 for girls in grades 6-12. In addition, he will hold open gym activities throughout the summer.
- 2) Donna McGinness and Kevin Murphy will host boys' and girls' soccer camp on June 10-13, 2002 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the soccer field at North Elementary School.

Mr. Seibert motioned to approve the recommendation. Mr. Baehl's second was followed by a unanimous vote by the Board.

### **Additional Information**

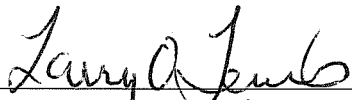
Mr. Wood made the Board members aware of two (2) documents included in their packets. The first was the North Posey Multi-School Building Corporation's explanation of finances for debt services for the \$5,330,000 construction/renovation project. The second was the most recent three (3) issues of "The Financial Times of Indiana." He suggested that the Board members review the information provided in each.

## **Future School Board Meetings**

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, July 15, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. with Executive Session scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

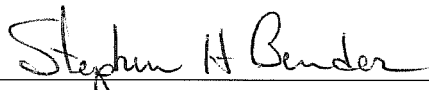
## **Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Board, president Larry Lewis entertained a motion to adjourn by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:58 p.m.



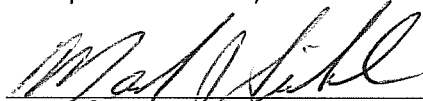
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