

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education
Of the
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana
Held on September 8, 2003**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the boardroom at the office of the Superintendent of Schools on September 8, 2003. The meeting began at 5:30 p.m. The following Board members were present:

Larry Lewis—President
John Wood—Superintendent

Stephen Bender—Board Member
Mike Baehl—Vice-President
Todd Camp—Assistant Superintendent

Mark Seibert—Board Member
Kathy Mauck—Secretary

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) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining; (2b) to discuss initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically; and (9) to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:23 p.m.

Regular Meeting

The Board of Education reconvened for the regular meeting at 6:31 p.m. with Board President Larry Lewis calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes of the previous meetings held on July 24, August 11, and September 2, 2003 were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mr. Bender, 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. Bender, seconded by Mr. Baehl, 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.

Agenda

New Business

Ron Fallowfield, patron, addressed the Board to ask permission to use the parking lot at North Elementary during the Poseyville Autumnfest. He stated they would wait until the buses were all back in and would not get in the way. The approximate time would be 4:30 p.m. on Friday, September 26, 2003. Mr. Fallowfield stated they would get their own trash disposal and make every attempt to make sure the school is not used. A motion was made by Mr. Baehl to allow the Poseyville Autumnfest to use the parking lot as requested. Mrs. Mauck made a second, the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Wood asked permission to advertise for an additional appropriation in the 2003 budget. The money has been collected and we need permission to appropriate the money so it can legally be spent. Mr. Bender made a motion to advertise the appropriation. Mr. Seibert made the second and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Wood asked the Board to accept Mrs. Crick's request for the shortened schedules for these listed students: Sonja Crawford, Dustin Deputy, Adam Farrar, Thomas Fultz, Kyle Garris, Deana Goebel, Jarrod Jones, Billy Jorgenson, Kyle Lewis, Damian Ling, Logan Newton, Anthony Putman, Mark Robinson, Nicholas Seibert, Michael Templeton. Mrs. Mauck made a motion to accept the request. Mr. Baehl made the second and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Camp asked permission to advertise for a special needs bus. The money was appropriated and we have waited because of the cash flow problem. The bus will be equipped to hold two wheelchairs and approximately 10 more passengers. We would do some shifting of buses and have a spare special needs bus. Mr. Bender asked the question of trading the bus in instead of possibly letting it sit and deteriorate without being used. It was decided to look at the cost with a possible trade in and without a trade. Mr. Bender made a motion to advertise for the bus bids. Mr. Baehl made the second and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Camp requested to accept the diesel and gas bid from Rutledge Oil for the 2003-04 school year. The bid was a lower bid and they have been providing excellent service. Mr. Baehl made a motion to accept Rutledge Oil as the vender for the fuel supplies for the 2003-2004 school year. Mr. Bender second the motion and it passed with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Wood reminded the Board about the money that would be coming in because of refinancing the bonds and leftover construction money. This generated \$368,060.59 to be used over a two-year period for special projects. He gave the Board a wish list of things that needed to be done within the Corporation to the buildings and the grounds. He asked the Board to review the list and to add and delete items. He stated the Board would need to prioritize a list for the money to be spent over the next two years.

Personnel

Mr. Wood asked the Board to accept Tara Gehlhausen's request for maternity leave from September 3, 2003 through October 7, 2003. Kathy Mauck made a motion to accept the recommendation and Mr. Baehl second the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Wood presented the medical leave request of Steve Rutledge due to an infection and medical treatment. This would be an unpaid leave and Mr. Rutledge would pay his own insurance. Mr. Baehl made the motion to accept the request and second by Mr. Seibert. The motion passed with 5-0 vote.

Resignations

Recommend accepting Mary Pitt's resignation as assistant Spell Bowl coach at NPJH. A motion was made by Mr. Seibert and second by Mr. Baehl. The motion carried by 5-0 vote.

Recommend accepting Nick Eckert's resignation as elementary wrestling coach. A motion was made to accept by Mr. Baehl and second by Mrs. Mauck. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Retirement

Recommend accepting Doyle Marvel's retirement request. A motion to accept the request was made by Mr. Baehl and second by Mrs. Mauck. The motion passed with 5-0 vote.

Professional Leave Requests

1. Eric Long, David Koewler and Linda Crick are requesting professional leave to attend the SIEC Technology Expo 2003 on Tuesday, September 30, 2003 at Jasper Holiday Inn. I recommend approval.
2. Kathy Camp has requested professional leave on Friday, November 14, 2003 to attend the "Project Lead the Way" training at Purdue University. Her attendance at this meeting is required. I recommend approval.
3. Roberta Adamson, Debra Johnson and Darryl Meyer are requesting permission to attend the Academic Coaches' Conference in Indianapolis on Friday, September 12, 2003. I recommend approval.
4. Jenifer Neidig and Marilyn Rodgers have requested a professional leave day to attend the S.I.N.E. Learning Exchange Kickoff meeting on Wednesday, September 10, 2003 in Evansville. I recommend approval.
5. Jennifer Werry is requesting professional leave to attend the "Write Trails Workshop" on November 5 and 6, 2003 in Jasper. I recommend approval.
6. Jennifer Werry has requested professional leave on Friday, September 12, 2003 to attend the STARLAB Training Workshop at the Jasper Holiday Inn. I recommend approval.
7. JoBerta Campbell has requested permission for an overnight trip on Friday, October 10, 2003 to take the FCCLA students to "Stop the Violence" training at Rainbow Camp in Converse, Indiana. The expenses will be paid from the FCCLA account. I recommend approval.
8. Scott Strieter is requesting permission to attend the 2003 Indiana Association of School Principals Assistant Principals' Conference on October 7-8, 2003 in Indianapolis. I recommend approval.
9. Linda Crick is requesting permission to attend the 2003 Indiana Association of School Principals Fall Professional Conference on November 16-18, 2003 in Indianapolis. I recommend approval.

10. Sandy Krietenstein is requesting permission to attend the nurses' state conference September 30, 2003. in Indianapolis.
11. Amanda Reynolds & Linda Crick request permission to attend SINE conference on October 22, 2003 in Santa Claus.

Volunteer Coaches

Mr. Wood asked the Board to accept the request of Gary Gentil for these volunteer coaches: JR Seymour, Jeremy Schipp, Chris Wehmer, and Zack Ziliak for the 2003-04 school year. Mr. Seibert made the motion to accept the recommendation and Mrs. Mauck second. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Reports & Information

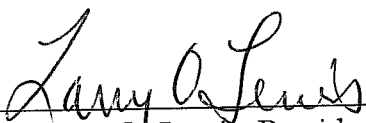
Mr. Wood reported the projected ADM for the 2003-04 school year and a projection over the next ten years. Mr. Wood reviewed the reservation with the Board for the Board trip to Indianapolis. Mr. Wood also reviewed the information concerning the District School Board conference.

Next Board Meetings

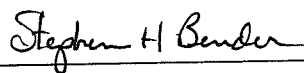
Special Board meeting for the budget on September 15, 2003
Regular Board meeting on October 13, 2003

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 Mr. Bender, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 8:44 p.m.



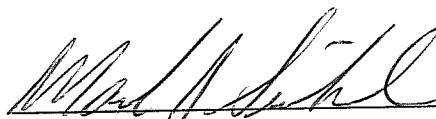
Larry O. Lewis, President



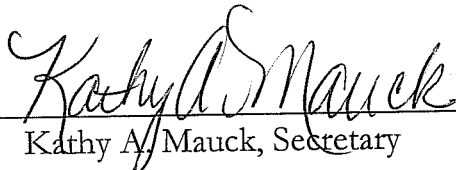
Stephen H. Bender, Board Member



Michael A. Baehl, Vice-President



Mark J. Seibert, Board Member



Kathy A. Mauck, Secretary

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