

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education
Of the
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana
Held on October 13, 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 October 13, 2003. The meeting began at 5:30 p.m. The following board members were present.

Larry Lewis—President	Stephen Bender—Board Member	Mark Seibert—Board Member
John Wood—Superintendent	Mike Baehl—Vice-President	Kathy Mauck—Secretary
	Todd Camp—Assistant Superintendent	

Executive Session

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:35 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 6:35 p.m.

Regular Meeting

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 September 8, and September 15 2003 were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mr. Baehl 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 made by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, 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

Tim Schmitt presented a request to use the facilities at North Posey High School on Saturdays for the youth basketball program as they have in the past. The request was for a total of 8 weeks that includes a 6-week game schedule from November 1, to December 20, 2003. Mr. Wood recommended to the Board approval of Tim's request. Mr. Baehl made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Seibert made a second. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Camp, Mr. Long, and Mr. Ellis presented to the Board a proposal to purchase a VPN (Virtual Private Network) through TDS Phone Company. This will provide a network for the district and allow users to access the system from remote sites. This will also allow all schools to have Internet access and email with each other. Mr. Wood concurred with the recommendation. Mr. Baehl made a motion to proceed with the plan and Mrs. Mauck made a second. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Camp made a request to the Board to accept the bus bid from Nix's Bus Sales for the micro bus with special equipment. The bus will cost \$40,650. The money was appropriated in the 2003 budget. A motion was made to accept the request by Mrs. Mauck and seconded by Mr. Siebert.

Mr. Wood recommended the Board adopt the Additional Appropriation Resolution. This will allow MSD of North Posey to make the December payment on the 2002 bonds. The tax collection was approved by the DLGF. Mr. Baehl made a motion to approve the resolution and Mr. Bender made a second. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Wood recommended approval of Mr. Teel's request to spend ECA funds for the purchase of a PA system for the PE Department at North Elementary. A motion was made to accept the request by Mr. Bender and Mrs. Mauck made the second. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Wood requested to the Board to accept Mr. Long's request to declare some old computers as surplus. Mr. Baehl made a motion to accept the request and Mrs. Mauck seconded the request. The motion passed 5-0.

PERSONNEL

Mr. Wood Recommends:

Resignations

Recommend accepting Terri Palmer's resignation as an employee for the MSD School Corporation effective October 20, 2003. Mr. Siebert made a motion to accept the request and Mr. Baehl seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Transfer

Recommend transferring Scott Schmitt from North Posey Junior High to North Posey High School to fill all of the vacated positions in the Music Department.

Recommend transferring Jerry Wassmer as day custodian at North Posey High School. Mr. Baehl made a recommendation to accept the recommendation and Mr. Bender seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Hire

Recommend hiring Brent Winstead as the replacement for the vacant junior high position. A motion was made by Mr. Siebert to accept the recommendation and Mr. Baehl made a second. The motion carried 5-0.

Recommended hiring Susie Tieken as night custodian at NPJH. Mr. Bender made a motion to accept the recommendation and Mr. Baehl seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Recommended to hire Jim Scheller as 7th grade boys' basketball coach at NPJHS.
Recommended to hire Jill Cornaire as 7th grade girls' basketball coach at NPJHS.
Recommended to hire Mike Alvey as 6th grade boys' basketball coach at South Terrace.
Recommended to hire Tim Schmitt as 5th and 6th grade boys' basketball coach at North Elementary.

Mr. Siebert made a recommendation to fill these positions and a second by Mr. Bender. The motion passed 5-0.

Professional Leave Requests

Mr. Wood requested approval from the Board for the following professional leave:

1. Kelly Carlton and Tim Teel are requesting professional leave to attend the IASP Fall Conference on November 16-18, 2003 in Indianapolis. I recommend approval.
2. Gayle Blunier has submitted requests for two (2) professional leaves. The first is on Wednesday, November 12, 2003 to attend an in-service training entitled, "High School Financial Planning Program" to be held in Boonville. The second request is for Friday, November 14, 2003 to attend the 34th Annual Business and Marketing Education Conference in Indianapolis. I recommend approval.
3. Kathy Camp has requested a professional leave to attend the "Principles of Engineering" a Project Lead the Way (PLTW) ongoing training session on Wednesday, November 19, 2003 at Purdue University. I recommend approval.
4. Angie Craft, Mike Swartzentruber and Amanda Reynolds have requested permission to attend a workshop entitled, "Bridges Out of Poverty" on Wednesday, October 22, 2003, sponsored by S.I.N.E. I recommend approval.
5. Amanda Reynolds and Susie Tooley are requesting two (2) professional leave days to attend the state meeting of the Indiana School Counselors Association on November 20-21, 2003 in Indianapolis. This is the first time these ladies will attend this meeting. I recommend approval.

6. Mike Wassmer is requesting permission to attend the National FFA Convention on October 30 through November 1, 2003 in Louisville. Mr. Wassmer will be taking eight (8) FFA members with him. I recommend approval.
7. Yvonne Knies would like to attend a one-day training session for teachers entitled, "Get Real About Tobacco," a curriculum sponsored by the Posey County Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Coalition. The training will be held in Evansville on October 21, 2003 from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
8. The following South Terrace Elementary teachers are requesting professional leave to attend the S.I.N.E. sponsored "Write Traits" workshop in Princeton on November 13-14, 2003: Sylvia Baehl, Nancy Davis, Kevin Gengelbach, Kristi Reynolds, Jan Root and Staci Voegel. All expenses will be paid by S.I.N.E. I recommend approval.
9. Cindy Kemmerling and Jodie Rankin would like to attend the IASP 2003 School Secretaries' Conference on October 21, 2003 in Carmel. I recommend approval.
10. Mrs. Linda Andry has requested professional leave on November 17-18, 2003 to attend the 5th annual conference for Indiana kindergarten teachers held in Indianapolis. I recommend approval.
11. Eric Long has requested permission to attend the Indiana Computer Educators (ICE) conference in Indianapolis on January 29-31, 2003. I recommend approval.

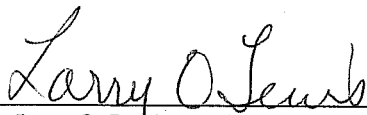
A recommendation was made by Mrs. Mauck to approve the Professional Leave and Mr. Baehl seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Board Meeting

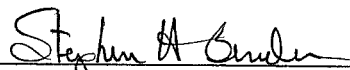
The next regular scheduled Board meeting is November 10, 2003.

Adjournment

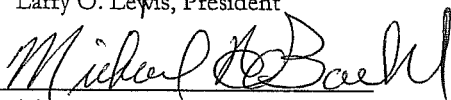
As there was no further business to come before the Board, President Larry Lewis entertained a motion to adjourn by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Siebert, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



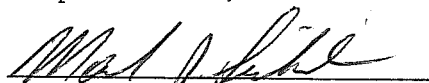
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