

**Minutes – Meeting of the
Board of Education of the
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana
March 9, 2026**

A meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the District Office of MSD of North Posey County, on March 9, 2026. The following Board members were present:

- Todd Slagle, Superintendent
- Vincent F. Oakley, President
- Gregory U. Schmitt, Vice President
- Rick Nightingale, Secretary
- Lindsey N. Bowers, Member
- Larry A. Kahle, Member
- Allyson Breeden, Board Attorney

Executive Session

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. at North Elementary School for the purpose of IC 5-14- 1.5-6.1 (3) to discuss the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:35 p.m.

Regular Meeting

The Board of Education convened for the regular meeting at 6:38 p.m. with President, Vince Oakley, calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of the Vision, Mission, Core Beliefs, & High Priorities

Mr. Slagle read the Vision, Mission, Core Beliefs, and High Priorities.

Good News

- NPHS Cheer:
 - PAC Overall Runner-Up
 - PAC Game Day Champions – 1st Place
 - Performance – 3rd Place
- NPHS Boys' Wrestling – Tyson Barrow State Qualifier
- NPHS Choir ISSMA Solo & Ensemble State Competition
 - Gold Rating – Ady Gamblin, Jewel Greathouse, Julia Rice, Gabbi Winegar, Savannah Wood
 - Gold with Distinction – Isaac Holder, Aiden MacMunn, Lily MacMunn, and Emma Meek
- NPHS/NPJHS Robotics Teams
 - Team Gearserkers – Became Alliance 6 Captain, ranked 11th place.

- Team Ragnabotics – Ranked 4th, being Alliance 3 Captain, advancing to State Competition next month. Also won the Think Award.
- NPHS Science Olympiad Teams Regional Competition – 4th Place Overall; State Qualifier
- NPJHS State Wrestling Championship – Maverick Hoehn
- NPJHS Construction Class – 20-Year-Old Record Broken by Paisley Fisher. His CO2 Dragster flew down the 65’ track in .85 seconds. This beat the old record of .92 seconds.

Patron Concerns

There were no patrons present to address the Board.

Minutes, Claim Docket and Consent Items

Mr. Oakley asked the Board for a motion to approve the consent items listed:

- Minutes of the previous meeting on February 9, 2026.
- Claim Docket for the period of February 10, 2026, to March 9, 2026.
- The following FMLA and personal leave requests:
 - Chandra Gauer: Personal leave March 18–20 & 30-31, 2026 and May 15-22, 2026.
 - Carolyn Mason: Personal leave April 7-10, 2026.
 - Jon Mason: Personal leave April 7-10, 2026.
 - Bonnie Gilles: Personal leave September 21-25, 2026.
 - Barry Wilson: Personal leave October 19-23, 2026.
- The following resignations and retirements for the 2025-2026 school year:
 - Staci Voegel: Retire as a teacher at North Posey Junior High School at the conclusion of the school year. Mrs. Voegel has served the district in various coaching and teaching positions for 36 years.
 - Jennifer Werry: Retire as a teacher at North Elementary School at the conclusion of the school year. Mrs. Werry has served the district for 23 years.
 - Gary Gentil: Retire as a teacher at North Posey Junior High School at the conclusion of the school year. Mr. Gentil has served the district as a teacher and coach for 28 years.
 - Brenda Straw: Retire as a bus driver at the conclusion of the school year. Mrs. Straw has served the district for 18 years.
 - Faith Cox: Resign as a teacher at North Elementary School effective March 20, 2026.
 - Jesse Shadley: Resign as bus driver at the conclusion of the school year.
 - Morgan Daly: Resign as the assistant girls’ basketball coach for North Posey High School effective at the conclusion of the 2025-2026 season.
 - Christina Peters: Resign as the cheer coach for South Terrace Elementary School effective immediately.
- The following hiring & transfer requests for the 2025-2026 school year:
 - Melissa Sweeney: Hire as the secretary at South Terrace Elementary School beginning May 4, 2026.
 - David Wilson: Hire as the long-term substitute for the Innovate classroom at North Elementary School from March 30, 2026, until the end of the school year.

- Scott Bosecker, Matthew Cox, & Sean Fisher: Hire as Track & Field coaches for North Posey High School splitting the stipends as indicated.
- Caleb Goebel: Volunteer track coach for North Posey High School for the 2025-2026 season.
- Jack Lowe and Kevin Wassmer: Volunteer softball coaches for North Posey High School for the 2025-2026 season.
- The following renewals were presented for approval:
 - Consociate Health: Annual plan sponsor reporting for drug and healthcare cost reporting for 2025 at a cost of \$1,750.00, unchanged from last year.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the consent items as presented and Mrs. Bowers seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

New Business

Mr. Slagle presented 2026 spring curriculum adoption materials to be reviewed by the Board. The elementary principals were present to explain the adoption process. These will be presented to the Board in April for adoption. No action is required at this time.

Mr. Slagle presented for consideration the Resolution Authorizing HEA 1003 Flexibility Waiver to use instructional minutes rather than instructional days. Mrs. Bowers made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Schmitt seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5 to 0.

Mr. Slagle presented the revised Staff Attire and Accessories policy to the Board for first reading. The revised policy will be brought forward for second reading and approval at the April meeting, unless further review is deemed necessary. No action was required at this time.

Mr. Slagle presented NEOLA policies in Volume 38 #1 that have been revised due to legislative changes to the Board for a first reading. These updates will be brought forward for approval at the April meeting, unless further review is deemed necessary. No action was required at this time.

Personnel

Professional Leave

Mr. Slagle presented the following professional leave requests:

Name	School	Date/Reason	Location	Approx Cost/Fund
Christopher Barker	NPJHS	April 8, 2026 JH Athletic Director Meeting	Huntingburg	Sub Costs Only Education Fund
Pamela Wilson	STES	April 9, 2026 IN MAC Grant Summit	West Lafayette	Sub Costs Only Education Fund
Todd Slagle	CO	April 15-16, 2026 IASBO Transportation Seminar	Plainfield	\$385.00 + Van Use Operation Fund
Courtney Almon Courtney Bittner Megan Butto	NES/STES	April 9, 2026 Dealing with Chronic Disruptive Behavior	Central Office	\$700.00 + Sub Costs Title II-6846 Registration Education Fund - Subs

Mallory Gibbs Emily Musgrave Amber Oakley Taylor Patton Jacie Schmitt Megan Voelker Allison Wade Matthew Jaques Steve Kavanaugh Shannon MacMunn HS Representative	JHS CO HS			
Todd Slagle	CO	May 6-8, 2026 IASBO Annual Conference	French Lick	\$1,100.00 + Van Use Operation Fund

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Bowers and seconded by Mr. Kahle, to approve the professional leave requests with a 5 to 0 vote.

Reports and Information

- Bond/Renovation Update
- Junior Achievement Contribution
- ISBA Spring Regional Meeting – April 20, 2026

Next Board Meeting

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2026, in the library at North Posey Junior/Senior High School. The Executive Session will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by the Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Bowers, seconded by Mr. Kahle. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

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MSD of North Posey County