

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WABASH COUNTY

A meeting of the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Metropolitan School District of Wabash County, Indiana ("School District"), was held at the Administration Building, 204 N. 300 W., Wabash, IN, on December 12, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. (EST), pursuant to notice duly given to all members in accordance with I.C. 20-26-4-1, I.C. 20-26-4-3, I.C. 5-14-1.5 and the rules of the Board.

Kevin Bowman, President, called the meeting to order. Mike Keaffaber, Superintendent, Chris Kuhn, Assistant Superintendent, and Tim Drake, Assistant Superintendent, were also present. On call of the roll the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: Todd Topliff, Todd Dazey, Matt Driscoll, and Gary Fadil. Also present were, Emma Rausch, Chelsea Boulrisse, Lori Cruz, Tim Cooper, Carol Lindquist, Andy Eads, Patty Grant, Joel Stein, Carol Cly, Landon Topliff, Lucas Topliff, Steve Peebles, Jane Peebles, Bob Shultz, Jim Keffaber, Jeff Springer, Bill Watson, Shelly Faust, Nancy Glover, Dave Wolfrum, David Pefley, Shelly Myers, Dan Bowman, Kyle Sparks, Janet Sparks, Phil Sparks, Christine Sparks, Brad Lee, Cynthia Bell, Kari Johnson, Troy Friedersdorf, JP Schuler, Steve Holley, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes of the meeting.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for January 9, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, Board of Finance, & Organizational Meeting at the Administration Building, January 23, 2018, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and February 13, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at Administration Building.

The recommendation to accept the \$500.00 donation from United Steelworkers Local 285 for all school's lunch fund was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$500.00 donation from Wabash Christian Church for Northfield Key Club was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

Staff Spotlight:

Denise Stouffer, English Teacher, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, was the Staff Spotlight, nominated by Kyle Spark, student. She was given a Pizza Hut certificate and she will receive a MSD shirt donated by Pefley's Farm Equipment, Inc.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

Several people made comments. Patty Grant read a statement from the Wabash Community Foundation.

Minutes of the Tuesday, November 28, 2017, Regular Meeting were approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Claims #10 and #11 were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Payroll was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the End of Year Resolution was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Sarah Rees, Music Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective May 29, 2018 was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Linzey Johns, Bus Driver, North Schools, effective January 15, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Allyson Saunders, 6th Grade Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective January 8, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

Professional Conference Requests:

The recommendation to approve Beth Eagen, Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, to attend the Focus on Inclusion 2018 Conference, February 1-2, 2018, in Indianapolis, IN was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve Susan Keefer, Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, to attend the Indian Music Educators Conference, January 12-13, 2018, in Indianapolis, IN was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve Tammy Farlow, Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, to attend the Focus on Inclusion 2018 Conference, February 1-2, 2018, in Indianapolis, IN was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber recommended to take Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Code of Conduct off the agenda until the Student Handbooks can be reviewed for changes in the Spring.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake shared photographs of the recent robotics competition that Southwood Elementary students participated in.

He shared scores from NWEA testing.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the 2018-19 school calendar was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the field trip for Southwood Elementary 6th grade to Chicago, IL, March 15, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Northfield Senior Class Trip to New York, NY, March 3, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the appointment of Mary Jo McClelland to the Wabash Carnegie Public Library Board to complete the term recently vacated, through August 19, 2019, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

The recommendation to approve the two (2) make-up days in February (February 5th & 19th), if needed, as eLearning days was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve any further make-up days as Saturday eLearning days was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The discussion on the Studies for Advancement, Phase II ended with a recommendation to withdraw from partnership with Wabash Community Foundation and the Studies for Advancement, Phase II upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, and second by Matt Driscoll. The vote count was 3-2 in favor of withdrawing from the studies. Voting for withdrawing from the studies were Kevin Bowman, Matt Driscoll, and Todd Dazey. Voting against withdrawing from the studies were Todd Topliff and Gary Fadil.

Board Policy:

The Board reviewed policies #4180-4200.

No items from the Board.

Public Comment (All items):

Several people made comments.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p. m.

THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

KEVIN BOWMAN, PRESIDENT

MATT DRISCOLL, VICE PRESIDENT

TODD TOPLIFF, BOARD MEMBER

GARY FADIL, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST: _____
TODD DAZEY, SECRETARY