

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 January 23, 2018, 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, and Matt Driscoll. Absent was Gary Fadil. Also present were: Jeff Springer, Janette Moore, Paul Voigt, Brian Hoffman, Stan Leland, Andrew Maciejewski, Josh Siglar, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes of the meeting.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for February 13, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Administration Building, February 27, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Administration Building, and March 13, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Honeywell Center.

The recommendation to accept the \$720.00 donation from Janet Shoemaker for the activity fund at Southwood Elementary was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$218.00 donation from General Mills Corporation, Box Top for Education for Student Use/Special Fund for Southwood Elementary was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$242.20 donation from General Mills Corporation, Box Top for Education for Reading Counts for Southwood High School was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$400.00 donation from Donors Choose for Sharp Creek Elementary to get books for lower level readers was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve \$200.00 donation from Kay Nevil to Northfield High School for the Canada trip was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Staff Recommendation:

The Southwood Community recognized Choir Teacher, Mrs. Keefer for her efforts in helping students find new opportunities for their music abilities. On Saturday, January 20, 2018, she took Hannah Miller, Victoria Holloway, and Alivia Lucas to Ball State University's Women's Chorus Side-by-Side event. The students met music professors, toured the facilities, and learned more about the music department's offerings. Southwood is excited to see the opportunities the students are being given in the music program.

Staff Spotlight:

Jeff Springer, Southwood High School Science Teacher, was recognized by the Board for his work. Student, Kiana Simpson nominated Mr. Springer.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, January 9, 2018, Board of Finance, Reorganization Meeting, and Regular Meeting were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

Claims were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and passed with a vote of 3-1 with Matt Driscoll voting nay.

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

Chris Kuhn, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, reviewed the cash flow balance for 2017 (Actual), the followed by cash flow balance for 2018 (Estimated).

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the employment of Amanda Lyons, Special Education Aide, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective January 15, 2018; Wendy Gray, Student Council Advisor, White's High School, effective immediately were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the termination of #76 effective December 21, 2017, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

Professional Conference Requests:

The recommendation to approve Stephanie Willmert, Teacher, Southwood Elementary, to attend the Focus on Inclusion 2018, 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 Megan Wright, Teacher, Southwood Elementary, to attend the Focus on Inclusion 2018, 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 Steve Holley, Maintenance Supervisor, to attend the Indiana School Safety Meeting, May 14-15, 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 Reena Markstahler, Teacher, Southwood High School, to attend the HASTI Conference, February 15-16, 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:

Mr. Matt Driscoll reported on the Reorganization Meeting and the Regular Meeting. He

reported that the ground which HCC owns, has been rented to a new farmer and that they have decided to take the money for the cash rent and put it in a scholarship fund for post high school students.

The Board Members were given the 100% attendance report. The Career Expo will be held May 2, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber stated the Transfer Report has been released and the difference between the students who left our schools and those who transferred into our schools is virtually a "wash".

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake informed the Board that Saturday, January 20, 2018, was our first Saturday eLearning day. We are unaware of any issues. Our regularly scheduled eLearning day was January 23, 2018. There will be two more "make up day" eLearning days on February 5, 2018 and February 19, 2018.

The graduation rates for each school have been released. Northfield High School had 100% graduation rate for 2017 and Southwood High School with 96.92%.

During the eLearning day, teachers had programing discussions on Project Lead the Way and possible additional opportunities for 8th grade students.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve EMCOR as our qualified provider for Solar Panel Energy Savings (after bids were taken) was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the purchase of three new buses was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Gift Card Resolution (for students and staff) was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Heartland Career Center Operating Agreement was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the extended day field trip to Chicago, IL for Sharp Creek Elementary 5th Grade, April 27, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the overnight field trip to Camp Tecumseh, Brookston, IN for Sharp Creek Elementary 4th Grade, March 22-23, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

Steve Holley, Maintenance Supervisor, reviewed the Wastewater Treatment Plant and

potential project.

The recommendation to approve the Wabash Miami Area Program Amended Agreement was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Board Policy:

The Board reviewed policy #4230.

Second reading and vote of Board Policy #4175 was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

Items from the Board:

None

Public Comment (All items):

The Board heard comments from the public.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 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