

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 Honeywell Center, 275 W Market Street, Wabash, IN, on March 13, 2018, at 5:00 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: Michael Rigney, Andrew Maciejewski, Josh Siglar, James Ables, Andrew McDaniel, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes of the meeting.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for March 27, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Administration Building, April 10, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Administration Building, and April 24, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at Heartland Career Center.

The recommendation to accept the \$100.00 donation from Industrial Control Service for Northfield Key Club, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$1,000.00 donation from Beacon Credit Union for Northfield Key Club, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$20.00 donation from Mary Randall for the Southwood Washington D. C. trip, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$725.00 donation from Dave Snyder for the Southwood High School Football tackle rings, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$750.00 donation from Brad Metzger, Metzger Insurance for sponsoring Southwood High School Basketball Sectional T-Shirts, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$110.00 donation from an anonymous donor for Northfield High School Track and Field, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Student Recognition:

Students from NHS participated in the annual ISSMA Vocal contest in Indianapolis. All 11 entries earned either a gold or silver-medal rating. A trio performing Aaron Copland's *The Little Horses* included Athena Varner, Ellie Proebstle, and Erin Proebstle earned ISSMA's highest award, "Superior with Distinction." This is the first year for this award which seeks to honor students with a Superior score. Vocal soloists who earned a gold medal (Superior) included Seniors Madison Nevil, Kathryn Pefley, Mariah Kirtlan, and Hallie Zolman; Junior Erin Proebstle; and Sophomore Athena Varner. Senior Jamie Vance earned an "Excellent," silver-medal score. A women's trio won gold as well. These members were Mariah Kirtlan, Madison Nevil, and Kathryn Pefley. The Women's Large Ensemble earned a Superior rating. These members included Madison Nevil, Mariah Kirtlan, Kayleigh Huss, Hallie Zolman, Jamie Vance, Erin Proebstle, Ellie Proebstle, and Kathryn Pefley. An additional large ensemble with members Erin Proebstle, Lexi Hodges, Emily Clendenon, Cassidy Carter, Madison Nevil, Addy Hershberger, and Jamie Vance earned a silver-medal rating.

Congratulations to Northfield student, Alyssa McKillip for placing 3rd in the Optimist International Essay Contest.

MSD Wabash County was well represented at the Symphony in Color reception. Over 12,000 students participated in Symphony in Color across the state of Indiana; 36 gold ribbon winners were celebrated. MSDWC brought home 9 of the 36 winners. Congratulations MSD students and Art Teachers, Erica Tyson, Katy Gray, and Lynn Keffaber.

Southwood High School Senior Parker Mays and the other student leaders from Wabash Mayor's Youth Council placed first in the Community Development Competition, during the 2018 Aim Youth Leadership Summit on March 3, 2018. The Youth Council will receive \$2,500.00 to go toward an innovative community development project for the city. Congratulations to Parker Mays and the entire group.

Mr. McDaniel, Southwood High School Principal, shared an email from Al Remaly, Principal of Clinton Central High School regarding the recent sectional win for the Southwood Basketball Team. Mr. Remaly commented on the game in which the team played Clinton Central. He stated that he appreciated Coach Burris controlling the outcome of the game. He believes that Coach Burris understands the game and does not wish to "blowout" the opposing team. He thanked Southwood and Coach Burris and wished the team good luck throughout the tournament.

Mr. McDaniel recognized the Boys' Basketball Team for their decisive victories in regional play at Frankfort High School. The coaches and players would like to thank all the fans who made the long drive to Frankfort to cheer on the Knights. Good luck to the team as they face Fort Wayne Blackhawk Christian, March 17, 2018 at Huntington North High School.

Mr. McDaniel wanted to recognize and congratulate two 8th grade students for their recent accomplishments in indoor archery target shooting. Breklon Salyers placed 3rd in the state in middle school pins, and Kaden Meredith placed 1st in the state in the same category. Kaden is moving on to the National Finals in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 8-9, 2018.

Mr. McDaniel recognized 9th grader, Erin McGouldrick on being named first place in this year's Optimist Essay Contest. Her essay has been forwarded to the District Chairperson for judging in the advanced competition.

Southwood Elementary Principal, Phil Boone, recognized the two robotics teams who competed March 3, 2018, at Lucas Oil Stadium in the State Championship. Elementary teams were placed in divisions of 50 teams each. In their division, the Red Team placed 21st. The Gray Team placed 11th in their division and had the opportunity to compete in the finals round. Additionally, the Gray Team received the Think Award in their division. This award was based on interviews with team members conducted by the judges. The team was asked about the process of building and programming their robot. Winning this award automatically qualified the gray team to compete in the VEX Robotics World Championships, being held in Louisville, KY, April 29-May, 2018.

As a part of the Wabash Inclusive Playground's "\$50K in 50 Days" fundraising efforts, Southwood Elementary participated in "Pennies for Play". Students raised a total of \$4,397.24 Miss Livergood's class raised the most money, and will be rewarded with a class pizza party. The organizers of the "Pennies for Play" were very impressed with the students' efforts. Southwood Elementary will have their name placed on the donor wall when the playground is installed.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, February 27, 2018, Regular Meeting were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

Claims were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

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

The Board reviewed the end of the month balance.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Casey Penrod, Special Education Aide, Metro North Elementary, effective February 27, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the leave of #78 to begin February 28, 2018 through May 30, 2018 if doctor releases, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Eileen Monroe, Cook, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Spring coaching staff for Southwood Jr/Sr High School, all effective for the 2018 season are as follows: Scott Simpson, Varsity Softball Volunteer; Jim Winget, Varsity Softball Volunteer; Eric Lundmark, Varsity Softball Volunteer, Garry Marion, Varsity Softball Volunteer; Joni West, JV Softball Head Coach, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No meeting was held to report on.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber announced that the 2017 Annual Performance Report has been released and will be published by the Wabash Plain Dealer. He stated that there are errors in the report, but once the data is sent in, no changes can be made.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake informed the Board that ISTEP has concluded and IREAD testing is finishing this week.

Mr. Drake shared the experience that the Southwood Elementary Robotics Team had at last week's state competition. The Gray Team will be moving on to World Competition which is held in Louisville, KY.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the 2018 Summer School courses were approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the extended field trip for Northfield Spanish Club, to visit "La Villita" or "Little Village" Mexican neighborhood, Chicago, IL, April 3, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

The Board reviewed policy #5095-5180. Mr. Keaffaber asked that revisions on policy #5100 be made and brought back for a first reading at the March 27, 2018, Board meeting.

Items from the Board:

None

Public Comment (All items):

There were no comments from the public.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 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