

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 Heartland Career Center, 79 S 200 W, Wabash, IN, on April 24, 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 Dazey, Matt Driscoll, and Gary Fadil. Todd Topliff was absent. Also present were: Paul Voigt, Todd Blair, Matt Whitesell, Janette Moore, Parker Mays, Lauren Rich, Jessica Bott, Kelsey Burnham, Angie Loschiavo, Jon Higgins, Pete DuPont, Andrew Maciejewski, Josh Siglar, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for May 8, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, May 22, 2018, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and June 12, 2018, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

The recommendation to accept the donation from Donors Choose for a welder (estimated value \$665.60) for Southwood High School was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the (3) \$20.00 Walmart gift cards from Horace Mann for Northfield High School faculty recognition was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 donation from Dr. Greg and Paula Garner for Southwood Boys' Basketball State Finals was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$100.00 donation from Susan Davis for the Southwood Elementary Robotics Club was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the anonymous \$50.00 donation for Southwood High School Softball was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$422.00 donation from Johnny and Jody White for Southwood Basketball Regional team dinner was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 donation from Southwood Boosters for Athletics was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 donation from Linda and Kerry Steele for Southwood Elementary Robotics Club was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$295.00 donation from Ripple through Donors Choose for a Tubano Drum for Southwood Elementary teacher Mrs. Rees' music classroom was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$563.55 donation from Ripple through Donors Choose for a yoga ball chair, bean bag chair, and a puzzle mat for Southwood Elementary

teacher Mrs. Chamberlain's classroom was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

Student Council Report:

Southwood High School Student Council members, Jessica Bott, Parker Mays, Kelsey Burnham, and Lauren Rich gave their final report for the school year. Southwood had their first Winter Formal Dance. The annual Christmas shopping trip helped 20 students purchase gifts for their family and themselves. Each student had \$120.00 to shop with. Student Council students paired up with the elementary students to shop. Students used \$120.00 to purchase toys for children at Riley Children's Hospital. At the annual blood drive, over 30 units of blood was donated. Students volunteered their time at the Wabash Animal Shelter and Miller's Merry Manor.

Staff Spotlight:

Cody McClure was our staff spotlight. Mr. McClure teaches Social Studies at Northfield High School. He was nominated by Justin Castle, student. Justin stated in his nomination that "Mr. McClure is a good person and should deserve to be spotlighted". Mr. McClure stated he enjoys the relationships he builds with students and watching them grow academically and socially throughout the year.

Student Recognition:

Mrs. Moore, Metro North Elementary, shared with the Board several things her students have done. Mrs. Riggle's 3rd grade class recently competed in the Northern Indiana SumDog competition. SumDog is an engaging game-based math program that enables students to practice Math skills while playing fun, math-related games against friends, classmates, or students from around the world. Games are individualized for each student's ability level, so users can play against opponents who have the same skills. Over 1,115 students participated in the competition, all varying grade levels. Mrs. Riggle's class placed 5th overall, and Metro North 3rd grade student Caleb DuBois finished 1st in the competition correctly answering 976 out of 1,000 math questions.

Metro North and Sharp Creek students participated in a school wide Read-A-Thon. Students were encouraged to set a weekly reading goal, collect sponsors, and then READ! Metro North had a variety of events and guests throughout the week to spark reading.

Sharp Creek students read with buddies, had a school-wide reading time, and visited with notable author, Helen Frost.

Students participating in the Read-A-Thon were entered to win a free iPad mini, and the student at each building that collected the most sponsorship money served as Principal for the Day. Brooke Smith was Principal for the Day at Metro North and Ali Weaver served as Sharp Creek's.

The combined schools raised over \$6,500.00 to be used to purchase additional books for classroom libraries.

Our elementary art teachers, along with other area art teacher, hosted another incredible FAME Festival on April 21, 2018 at the Honeywell Center. Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Tyson, and Mrs. Keffaber are amazing advocates for our elementary artists. Our MSDWC masterpieces always stand-out as crowd pleasers. Every elementary student has at least one masterpiece on display. Families have the opportunity to visit the FAME Festival Imaginarium, attend workshops focusing on music and art, and attend performances by our elementary students-all for FREE!

Sharp Creek Elementary had 3 students whose artwork was selected from the Elementary Art Show, and their art work will be made into banners that will be on display downtown Wabash this Spring/Summer. Those students are: 5th graders, Emma Bone, Lucas Hauptert, and Riley McKillip.

Southwood Jr/Sr High School would like to congratulate sophomore students Jackson Simons and Daisy Sparks for being named to the Crossroads Junior Board of Directors for the 2018-19 school year.

Southwood senior, Peyton Trexler signed with Marian University to play football. Congratulations Peyton!

Southwood would like to congratulate Erin McGouldrick. Her Optimist Essay placed second at district level judging and she will be honored later this month at Fort Wayne Memorial Coliseum. Additionally, Erin was given the Voice of Democracy Award for her recent essay contribution to the local VFW.

Southwood Elementary Principal, Phil Boone, noted that 2nd grade teacher, Mrs. Sydney Chamberlain, had a project to provide flexible seating options for her students fully funded through DonorChoose. Flexible seating allows students to learn and perform normal classroom activities in a variety of ways. Exercise balls and bean bag chairs are two of the items that were donated. Flexible seating gives students an alternative to the traditional desk and chair all day long.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, April 10, 2018, Regular Meeting were approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

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

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

Mr. Kuhn reviewed the cash flow March with the Board.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation Mary Hauptert, Cook, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective immediately; Candi Eltzroth, Cook, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year were approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the leave of #80 to begin April 26, 2018, through the end of the 2017-18 school year. Returning August 7, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve Katy Gray, Art Teacher, for the additional halftime vacant art position at Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 7, 2018; Lynne Keffaber Art Teacher, transferring from the half-time art position at Sharp Creek Elementary to the vacant half-time position at Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 7, 2018, was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber and administrators are continuing with the staffing calendar for 2018-19 school year.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake recognized Mrs. Moore, Metro North Elementary Principal, for all of her extra work she did for the FAME Festival. She worked long after it was over helping clean up.

Mrs. Moore and Mr. Boone are looking for additional funding for the “Littles” program. Both schools must be federally licensed and they are doing the steps needed for that.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the Elementary Sports Program was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

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

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

Board Policy:

The Board reviewed policy #6090-6100

Public Comment (All items):

Board President, Kevin Bowman entertained questions/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