

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 Office, 204 N 300 W, Wabash, IN, on May 8, 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, and Todd Topliff. Matt Driscoll and Gary Fadil were absent. Also present were: Paul Voigt, Janette Moore, Josh Siglar, Phil Boone, Jay Snyder, Rhett Mast, Sarah Mast, Landon Mast, Lochlan Mast, Erica Tyson, Megan Hyden, Tina Riggle, Mary Donaldson, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for May 22, 2018, 6:00 p.m., with a Work Session at 5:00 p.m.. at the Administration Building, May 22, 2018, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, June 12, 2018, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and June 26, 2018, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 donation from Don and Jane Keith for Southwood Elementary Robotics Club was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$510.15 donation from Southwood Elementary's Retired Teachers, MSD Retired Teachers, and WCRTA for the Southwood Elementary Robotics Club was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$20.00 donation from Ruth Ann Pilgrim for Southwood Elementary Robotics Club was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to accept the \$100.00 donation from Greg and Meredith Kelley for Southwood Baseball Team was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$20.00 donation from Dave and Marva Metz for Southwood High School Baseball Team was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$140.00 donation from First Merchants Bank for Southwood High School's Junior Achievement trip to Finance Park was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

Robotics Report:

Erica Tyson and Megan Hyden, coaches for the Southwood Robotics Teams gave a report on the recent trip made by the Robotics' Gray Team to Louisville, KY for the World Robotics Competition. The team members and their coaches had a great experience at the competition. They spent long days competing but had the opportunity to pair up with students from other countries to practice. They placed 59th overall out of 200 teams from all over the world.

Staff Spotlight:

Metro North 3rd grade teacher, Tina Riggle was nominated by parent, Rhett Mast, for our Staff Spotlight. Mr. Mast was so pleased at all Mrs. Riggle had done for his son. "He has grown as a student and as a person." Mrs. Riggle spoke of her enjoyment for teaching and watching students grow. Mrs. Riggle has been teaching since 1987.

Student Recognition:

Dr. Paul Voigt, Principal and the Northfield Community wishes to congratulate Coach Peyton Birchmeier, her staff, and the Girls Northfield High School track team for winning the county track meet.

Thanks go out to Mrs. Stouffer and Mrs. Keffaber for all their hard work in helping make the Northfield Prom special.

Congratulations to Coach Gina Dale, her staff, and Northfield Jr. High School track team for winning the county track meet.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, April 24, 2018, Regular Meeting were approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Todd Topliff, 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.

Mr. Kuhn reviewed the end of month for April with the Board.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation Angie Loschiavo, Student Congress Advisor, Southwood High School, effective immediately; Elizabeth Gohmann, Paraprofessional, Southwood High School, effective the end of the 2017-18 school year; Laurie Craig, Attendance Secretary, Southwood Elementary, effective the end of the 2017-18 school year; KT Nevil, English Teacher, Northfield High School, effective the end of the 2017-18 school year were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the summer employment of Tonya Roser, Summer Secretary, Southwood High School; Chris Kuhn, Summer School Director; Tami Overman, Technology Aide; Jodi Kaehr, Technology Aide; Amy Siders, APEX; Shannon Heyde, Primary Reading Teacher, Metro North Elementary; Alissa Deeter, Primary Reading Teacher, Southwood Elementary; Jennifer Finney, Primary Reading Aide, Southwood Elementary; Gay Lynn Hobbs, Primary Reading Aide, Southwood Elementary; Stephanie Hall, Primary Reading Aide, Metro North Elementary; Lauri Gunderman, Begindergarten Teacher, Metro North Elementary; Lisa Fadil, Begindergarten Teacher, Southwood Elementary, Janette Moore, Begindergarten Principal, Metro North Elementary; Phil Boone, Begindergarten Principal, Southwood Elementary; Cheri Culver, Begindergarten Assessment; Carl Anderson, SAE, Southwood High School; Jeff Smith, SAE, Northfield High School; Roger Boone, IOA Proctor, Southwood High School; Nicole Gable, IOA Proctor; Melanie Penn, Summer Secretary, Southwood High School; all effective Summer 2018 were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approved the leave of #81 to begin May 16, 2018 through the end of the 2017-18 school year; #82 to begin approximately October 15, 2018 and returning January 21, 2019 were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously approved.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber informed the Board that Troy Friedersdorf, Mark Hobbs, and Matt Riggle traveled to Pennsylvania to George Junior Republic, a residential facility with a school on site. The group went to see how they incorporate vocational studies into their program.

Teacher/Staff Appreciation week is May 7-11, 2018, and Mr. Keaffaber, Mr. Kuhn, and Mr. Drake will be serving root beer floats at all the schools for staff at various times throughout the week.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake clarified the need for Robotics “try-outs”. He stated that there would only be 3 6th grade team members who would be going on to the Jr. High. Leaving only 3 spots to fill on the team.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the wage and salary increase for classified staff and administrators was approved upon a motion made by Todd Dazey, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve a two year agreement with White’s Residential and Family Serviced for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Todd Dazey, and unanimously carried.

Jay Snyder presented changes to the first reading of the Elementary Student Handbook. The Board will have 2 weeks to review the Handbook for a vote at the May 22, 2018, meeting.

Board Policy:

The Board reviewed policy #6120-6160 and that will conclude the Board Policy review for the year.

The Board reviewed Policy #4085 for the first reading. The policy will be voted on at the May 22, 2018, meeting.

The Board heard the first reading of new Board Policy #4250. They will voted on the policy at the May 22, 2018, meeting.

Public Comment (All items):

No comments

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:56 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