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 March 26, 2019, 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.

Todd Dazey, 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, Kevin Bowman, Todd Topliff, and Gary Fadil. Also present were: Janette Moore, Paul Voigt, Pete DuPont, Mark Hobbs, Jon Higgins, Kari Johnson, Kelsey Burnham, Adam Weesner, Dr. Deb Lecklider, Steve Holley, Josh Sigler, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes of the meeting.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for April 9, 2019, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, April 23, 2019, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and May 14, 2019, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the $410.72 donation from Donor’s Choose for merchandise for Writing Class at Sharp Creek Elementary was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the donation of a Trinity Dual-Sided Mobile, Black Rolling Cart (estimated value $231.00) for Southwood Elementary STEM/Robotics Club was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $350.00 donation from LaFontaine Christian Church for Southwood High School FCA was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $110.00 donation from Jonathon Flott for Northfield Track was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $55.00 Donation from Wabash Community Foundation for Southwood High School was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.
The recommendation to approve the $82.50 donation from Wabash Community Foundation for Southwood High School was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $50.00 donation from Etna Acres Golf Course for Northfield FFA was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $200.00 donation from Judy McKillip for Northfield’s Prom was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Schools’ Recognition:

Sharp Creek Robotics Team competed at the Indiana Vex Robotics State Finals on Saturday, March 9, 2019, at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. The team placed 102nd out of 201 teams in the skills challenge and 35th out of 67 in their division on the team challenge. Congratulations to Brayden Rice, Neil Long, Logan Lyons, and Mason Lyons on a great season.

Northfield would like to thank Ryan Sincroft and Shelly Myers for organizing and chaperoning the Senior class trip to New York. A great time was had by all.

Southwood Elementary Robotics Gray and Red Circuit Breakers Teams competed at the recent VEX IQ Robotics State Championship. The Red Team placed 35th out of 67 teams in their division. Red Team members are: Nika Tyson, Colleen Boardman, Grace Drake, Avery Henderson, Emily Lochard, Adeline Boone, Logan Shellhamer, and Thatcher Simpson. The Grey Team placed 11th out of 67 in their division, making it to the teamwork challenge finals round. Gray Team members are: Elexis Kelly, Natalie Sutphin, Massey Woodyard, Daedric Kaehr, Andrew Wright, Cooper Drake, & Eli Shellhamer. Coaches Erica Tyson and Megan Hyden put in countless hours along with our teams preparing for competitions throughout the year. After an outstanding performance both robotics teams have been invited to compete at the VEX IQ Elementary Robotics World Championships, held in Louisville, from April 28-30, 2019. The teams received an invitation based on their work/ranking in skills competitions, which combines driving and programming scores. We are so proud of our kids and coaches!

Southwood Elementary 6th grader, Grace Drake, submitted a presentation entry into the VEX IQ Challenge Girl Powered Online Challenge. She was awarded 2nd place out of all entries submitted worldwide. Grace's presentation described the various ways that she has been involved in robotics, as well as outlining the important contributions that fellow girl teammates have made to the success of the robotics program at Southwood Elementary. For her efforts, Grace’s robotics team will receive a $500 VEX Robotics gift certificate. Grace's presence on the Circuit Breakers team will be missed next season!
Southwood High School would like to congratulate the band and choir students who participated in the County Honors Band and Choir on Friday, March 8, 2019. They performed an outstanding show!

Southwood High School would like to congratulate Senior Aidan Ortega on being named to the Indiana Football Coaches Association North All Stars 2019.

Northfield would like to recognize and congratulate Kearston Stout, Brittany Bussard, Kyra Kennedy and Alyssa McKillip for qualifying and finishing 9th in the 1600-meter relay at the Indoor State Finals held at IU, Bloomington, IN.

Student Council Report:

Southwood Student Council member, Kelsey Burnham, spoke on activities at the school. In January, they held a semi-formal dance with 82 tickets being sold for the event. The money from the ticket sales will go in to the Student Congress fund. In February, they held a blood drive and exceeded their previous goal with 31 units. The American Red Cross will offer a $250.00 scholarship to a senior who donated blood. The members of Student Council donated their time to helping with Blessing in a Backpack as another community service project.

Presentations:

Adam Weesner of Barton, Coe, and Vilamaa, presented the new designs and flooring for the two high schools for the summer renovation project. The updated estimated cost for both projects was given to the Board for review.

The recommendation to advertise for project bids regarding Northfield and Southwood Jr/Sr High School was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

Dr. Deb Lecklider was at the meeting to introduce herself to the Board. She will be working with the Board to provide strategic planning guidance and facilitation. She stated that MSD already has most of the difficult processes done with the previous study. She will meet with the Board and Administrative Team for an all-day work session to develop a strategic plan for MSD.

The Board voted to approve the hiring Dr. Lecklider & Associates for strategic planning, upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 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 Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Payroll #17 and #18 were approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

Chris Kuhn reviewed the Cash Flow totals for February 2019 and End of Month totals with the Board.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the transfer of Ron Nordman, Custodian, from Southwood High School to Northfield High School, effective February 25, 2019, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Keith McWithey, Counselor, Metro North Elementary and Sharp Creek Elementary, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Marissa Wilson, Cafeteria Manager, Metro North Elementary, effective May 23, 2019; Brittany Blocker, Classroom Instructor, White’s High School, effective April 5, 2019; Tonya Roser, Attendance/Guidance Secretary, Southwood High School, effective April 8, 2019, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation of the Northfield Spring Coaches (additions) are as follows: Scott Haupert, Track Assistant; Charlene Thompson, JV Softball Assistant, were approve upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation of the Southwood Spring Coaches (additions) are as follows: Garry Marion, Softball Assistant; Amanda Slone, JV Softball; Courtney Lewis, JV Softball; Scott Simpson, Softball Assistant; Dwayne Smith, Softball Assistant; Nate Thomas, Softball Assistant; Tony Burke, Cheer Coach; Jessi Huston, JH Cheer Coach, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

At the March 20, 2019, meeting the Board of Managers gave approval for the 2019-20 Building Trades home project. Approval was given for the students who qualified to attend the Skills USA State Competition, April 19-20, 2019, in Indianapolis. They accepted the $2,000.00 Walmart Career Expo Grant and a $35,000.00 Summer Expansion Grant.

The open house for the constructed home for the 2018-19 school year will be May 16, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. The Senior Certificate/Honors Program will be May 22, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.
The next meeting will be April 17, 2019.

Superintendent’s Report:

Mr. Keaffaber had the opportunity to present to the Leadership Development Wabash County group.

Mr. Keaffaber has been the program chair for the month of March at Kiwanis. He had Mr. Tim Drake, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, present on the school district’s programming initiatives. Dr. Troy Friedersdorf, White’s High School Principal, presented the next week and outlined the monthly honor programs and graduations at White’s High School. Mr. Andrew McDaniel, Southwood High School Principal, Angie Loschiavo, Teacher, and students Brayden Sweet and Isabel Davis shared their experiences on the trip they took their 8th grade year to Washington D.C., and the last week of March, Mrs. Janette Moore, Principal at Metro North Elementary, shared the process and success in becoming a licensed child care provider and a Level 3 Paths to Quality location for our “Littles” program.

During the last eLearning day for the year, staff enjoyed professional development with Butler University professor, Lori Desautels, who taught them more about social-emotional learning.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake reported that registration for Pre-K is going well and they are very close to having a waiting list. Testing has been underway at the schools this week, with 3rd Grade testing iRead.

The Southwood Elementary teams who are going to the VEX IQ Elementary Robotics World Championships are reaching out to local business for help raising the registration fee of $2,000.00 for each team. Local businesses have been very generous in helping make the student’s dreams a reality.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the resolution Approving First Amendments to Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking, First Supplement to Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking, and Issuance of Bonds (Exhibit A) was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the resolution Approving Amended and Restated Post-Issuance Compliance Procedures (Exhibit B) was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.
The recommendation to approve the 2019 Summer School courses were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve Bright Minds Marketing proposal was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve additional coaches for elementary sports was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the White’s Jr/Sr High School’s 2019-20 school calendar was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the extended field trip for Northfield Key Club to attend the District Leadership Convention in Fort Wayne, IN, April 12-14, 2019 was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:
None.

Board Policy:
None.

Items from Board Members:
None

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):
None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.
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TODD DAZEY, PRESIDENT

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KEVIN BOWMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

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MATT DRISCOLL, BOARD MEMBER

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GARY FADIL, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST: _________________________________

TODD TOPLIFF, SECRETARY