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 June 23, 2020, 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.

MSDWC School Board will meet in regular session on June 23, 2020, at 6:00 at Central Office. Seating will be limited, and attendance will be subject to social distancing guidelines. All members of the public attending to provide comment will be accommodated. We will continue to livestream the meeting on Facebook Live. The public may comment in person or on Facebook Live during the appropriate times.

Todd Dazey, President, called the meeting to order. Mike Keaffaber, Superintendent, and Tim Drake, Chief Academic Officer, were present. Absent was Chris Kuhn, Assistant Superintendent. On call the roll of members on the Board were shown to be present as follows: Kevin Bowman, Todd Topliff, and Matt Driscoll. Absent was Gary Fadil. Also present was Josh Petruniw.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for July 14, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, July 28, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and August 11, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

No Public Recognition.

Schools Recognition:

No School Recognition.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, June 9, 2020, Regular Meeting was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

Claims were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.
Payroll was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

In Dr. Kuhn’s absence, Mr. Keaffaber reviewed the Operations and Education Fund estimated cash flow for May.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the employment of Kaila Paul, Occupational Therapy Assistant, WMAP, effective August 11, 2020; Elizabeth Lorenz, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Teacher, WMAP, effective August 10, 2020, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the leave request of #114 to begin August 10, 2020, returning November 6, 2020, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

Matt Driscoll reported on the graduation program that was held at the 13-24 Drive-in Theater for the students. He also stated that Mrs. Lori DuBois was hired as the Precision Agriculture teacher.

Superintendent’s Report:

Mr. Keaffaber reported that the COVID-19 Pandemic Re-Entry Task Force Team has been working on a re-entry plan and that plan will be given to the Wabash County Health Department and Dr. Roe for review. The plan will be recommended to the School Board at its July 14 meeting. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) has been ordered for the staff and students. The maintenance department is installing hand sanitizer stations throughout all the schools. Mr. Keaffaber said if there are students who will not be attending school, we will need to make provisions for them.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake reported that teachers are attending training sessions virtually, with 10 teachers working with Columbia University’s writing workshop.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the resolution for suspension of school board policies conflicting with waivers or extensions during COVID-19 pandemic was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.
The recommendation to approve the Superintendent’s contract was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Athletic Re-entry Plan was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

None.

Items from Board Members:

None.

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):

No comments.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.