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 December 10, 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 and Chris Kuhn, Assistant Superintendent were present. Absent was Tim Drake, Assistant Superintendent. On call of the roll of members on the Board were shown to be present as follows: Kevin Bowman, Gary Fadil, and Matt Driscoll. Absent was Todd Topliff. Also present were: Steve Downs, Mandy Underwood, Jay Snyder, Tere Smith, Sherry Ridgeway, Brian Ridgeway, Jim Hamilton, Alison Monce, Trisha Strickler, Ambry Strickler, David Strickler, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for January 14, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at Southwood Jr/Sr High School (Reorganization Meeting), January 28, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and February 11, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the $5,000.00 donation from from a grant through the Community Foundation of Wabash County, for Unger Mountain was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $1,000.00 donation from Parkview Health for Northfield Basketball Sponsor was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $200.00 donation from Aspirar Medical Lab for Northfield Girls Golf was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $500.00 donation from Wabash Christian Church for Northfield’s Key Club for helping with the Battle of 1812 was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $500.00 donation from Beacon Credit Union; $500.00 donation from Your Parts Department II; $1,000.00 donation from Halderman Farm Management all for Northfield Boys Basketball were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.
The recommendation to approve the $100.00 donation form Jimmie Hogan Jr. for Southwood Elementary 6th grade Chicago Trip was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $100.00 donation from Honeywell Foundation for Southwood High School Choir's Holiday performance at the Honeywell House was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $2,000.00 donation from the Indianapolis Colts-Coach of the Week for Southwood High School Football was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

Staff Spotlight:

Alison Monce was recognized by Trisha Strickler, whose daughter is in Mrs. Monce class. Mrs. Monce has been so happy with how Mrs. Monce treats each one of her students. She stated that she makes each student feel comfortable in the classroom.

Jim Hamilton, attorney for the North Central Indiana School Insurance Trust, was at the meeting to answer questions on the amended and restated agreement and declaration of trust. After reviewing the agreement the Board approved the agreement upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Schools Recognition:

Sharp Creek would like to congratulate their 5th and 6th grade Spell Bowl Team for placing first at the regional competition at Wabash Middle School on November 18, 2019. Team members include 5th graders Hayden Copeland and Kiana Stevens and 6th graders Neil Long, Mason Lyons, Logan Lyons, Erin Rehak, Jaxton Stout, and Ebbonie Halverson.

Sharp Creek would like to congratulate our first quarter Wabash County Promise Scholars. These students were nominated by their teachers as Promise Scholars for the first nine weeks. This award is given each quarter to one Promise Scholar per grade level at each Wabash County school for academic skills, persistence, positive peer leadership, good citizenship, or personal responsibility at school. Each student received an award certificate and a Promise Scholar sports bag as well as $25 in their Promise Scholarship fund. Sharp Creek students are: 4th Grade- Collin Biehl, 5th Grade - Nichole Fisher, 6th Grade - Jade Harrington.

Sharp Creek congratulates the school finalists for the 2019 Honeywell Winter Banner Competition. Those winners are: 4th Grade - Ali Copeland, Joleen Gedcus, Gabriella Schenkel, 5th Grade - Keeshia Dacuba, Holten Satterthwaite, Choe Youngblood, 6th Grade - Waylon Adkins, Riley Morrissett, Alyssa Schnep. A special congratulation to Gabriella for being the overall 4th grade winner and Ali Copeland for being Sharp Creek's overall school winner. A special thanks to Mrs. Gray for all her work with our PK-6th grade artists.
Northfield would like to congratulate Levi Fulkerson for making the COLTS Academic All State Football Team. This is quite an honor on and off the field.

Metro North Little Norse Preschool Teacher, Mrs. Stacey Meredith, has opened her classroom to Ivy Tech students completing their Child Development Associate certification. Students completing their CDA are required to complete various observations within a Level 3 or higher Paths to Quality program. Thank you Mrs. Meredith for opening your classroom and providing an enriching experience for our Little Norse students AND our Ivy Tech students.

Twelve Metro North artists were honored at the Honeywell Center as part of the Winter Street Banner Contest. Congratulations Sadie King, Auttie Fulkerson, and Sheila Smith, these three artists will have their artwork displayed on a banner hanging outside in downtown Wabash throughout the holiday season. Our other artists honored included Hadley Brubaker, Ezra Williams, Lillian Sears, Julianne Turner, Sophia Allard, Weston Rice, Hattie Weaver, Cole Hemingway, and Tenley Kuhn. Thank you to Mrs. Gray and the Honeywell Foundation for this amazing opportunity for our artists.

Metro North has had some phenomenal family experiences. They had 600+ attend our community trick-or-treat, 300+ attend our Metro North Family Night, and the 1st and 3rd graders performed for a packed house for their Christmas program and Art Showcase. These programs are due to the generous support of the Metro North PTO as well as the time, effort and passion of the Metro North staff.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, November 26, 2019, Regular Meeting were approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

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

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

Chris Kuhn reviewed the Cash Flow and End of the month for November.

The End of the Year Resolution was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

Personnel Recommendations:
The recommendation to approve the resignation of Clint Davis, Athletic Director, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective December 2, 2019; Hidi Shoemaker, Speech and Language Pathologist, WMAP, effective January 3, 2020, were approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Chad Elliott, Wrestling Assistant Volunteer, effective immediately, was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent’s Report:


Curriculum Report:

No report.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the snow removal bid from Brainard’s Snow Removal was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the donation of 5 glass displays cases from Northfield Jr/Sr/ High School Library were approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil.

The recommendation to approve the extended field trip for Northfield FFA to Louisville, KY, February 13-14, 2020, 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):

No comments.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

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