

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 November 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 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, Matt Driscoll, and Todd Topliff. Also present were: Steve Downs, Landon Topliff, Payton Deeter, Grant Langebartels, Laura Langebartels, Mandy Underwood, and Cheryl Roser who took the minutes.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for December 10, 2019, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, January 14, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building (Reorganization Meeting), and January 28, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$1,000.00 donation from Manchester, Inc for Northfield Boys Basketball was approved upon a motion made by Gary Fadil, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Student Council Report:

Southwood High School Student Congress members Landon Topliff and Payton Deeter presented to the Board. The school brought back the annual homecoming bonfire this year and it was a huge success. They recently had a blood drive. In February they will have another blood drive and a high school dance. On December 18, 2019, the Student Congress will be taking elementary students Christmas shopping. Fundraising will begin after Thanksgiving break. Money needs to be turned in by December 15, 2019.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

Minutes of the Tuesday, November 12, 2019, Regular Meeting were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Claims were approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

Payroll was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

Chris Kuhn reviewed the Education Fund.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Ted Bahney, Northfield Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective immediately, was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Laura Langebartels, Director of Communications and Community Engagement, effective January 6, 2020; Bart Stouffer, Wrestling Assistant, Southwood High School, effective immediately was approved upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

The Board gave their approval to seek the State Board of Education's approval to pilot the Precision Agriculture Specialist Program for the 2020-2021 school year.

The Board accepted the \$2,037 Student Assessment Grant.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber gave an update on the high school's remodeling. He would like to have one of the Board meetings in January at Southwood Jr./Sr. High School to tour the school.

The 2019-2020 Public Corporation Transfer Report has been released by the Indiana Department of Education. MSD net gains for parent choice transfers with our eight neighboring school district had a significant increase from 2018 to 2019. Fall of 2018 reported 22 and Fall of 2019 reported 106.

Curriculum Report:

No report.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the 2020 Census School Board Resolution was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Todd Topliff, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the overnight/extended field trip for the Northfield Senior Class Trip, March 7-12, 2020, to New York, NY was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Gary Fadil, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

The Board reviewed the changes made to Board Policy #4110 and approved the policy upon a motion made by Todd Topliff, a second by Matt Driscoll, and carried on a 4-1 vote. Gary Fadil opposed.

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 6:37 p.m.

THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

TODD DAZEY, PRESIDENT

KEVIN BOWMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

MATT DRISCOLL, BOARD MEMBER

GARY FADIL, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST: _____
TODD TOPLIFF, SECRETARY