

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 8, 2021, 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 met in regular session on June 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office. Seating was limited, and attendance was subjected to social distancing guidelines. All members of the public attending to provide comments were accommodated. We continued to livestream the meeting on Facebook Live. The public was able to comment in person or on Facebook Live during the appropriate times.

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

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled July 13, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, July 27, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and August 10, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$4,000.00 donation from Community Foundation of Wabash County for Metro North Elementary, Little Norse Preschool, 3-year-old Program was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 Gift Card from Harbor Freight (Marion) for Southwood High School Robotics was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

Tonya Boone, Director of the Bridge Program (formally called the CAR Program) shared with the Board how the Bridge Program helps students earn their diploma that may not have been able to obtain that in a traditional school setting. Students learn, guided by a MSDWC teacher using the Edmentum software program which is a 24-hour, 360-day, online program where students work at their own pace, earning the credits needed to earn their diploma. The Bridge Program is a flexible-out-side the box approach to meet students' needs. MSDWC

employs five full-time staff, several part-time, with two more full-time staff members being added.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, May 25, 2021, were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

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

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

Dr. Kuhn reviewed the Education and Operation Fund, as well as the End of Month for May.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the employment of Chelsie Kirtlan, Preschool Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Tracy Kennedy, Summer School Secretary, Northfield High School, effective June 1, 2021; Lori Brewer, Summer School Secretary, Southwood High School, effective June 1, 2021; Tara Hauptert, Summer School-Special Education, effective June 1, 2021; Liz Little, Summer School Transportation, effective June 2, 2021; Tom Garthee, Summer School Transportation, effective June 2, 2021; Deb Elliott, Paraprofessional, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Karlan Varner, Math Teacher, White's Jr/Sr High School; effective July 27, 2021; Sable Shoue, Paraprofessional, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 10, 2021; Jeffrey Finicle, P. E. Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School; effective August 9, 2021; Tim Guiff, Network/Technology Assistant; White's Jr/Sr High School, effective June 21, 2021; Jody Chenoweth, Bus Driver, South route, effective August 10, 2021; Jody Chenoweth, Summer School Transportation, effective June 21, 2021 through July 1, 2021; were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Kayla Frank, Paraprofessional, Metro North Elementary, effective May 25, 2021; Holly Robbins, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective May 25, 2021; Megan Hyden, Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective June 7, 2021; Sandra Harness, Data/Financial Specialist, WMAP, effective July 1, 2021 were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Jeff Smith, Agriculture Teacher, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year; Jody Livergood, Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year; Janice

Binkered, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year; Chris Hickman, Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year; were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfers of Pam Foust, Special Education Teacher; transferring to Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 9, 2021; Connie Wolf, Paraprofessional, transferring to Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 10, 2021 ; Cayla Enser, Paraprofessional transferring to Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 10, 2021; Jessica Holley Paraprofessional to 3-year-old Preschool Teacher at Metro North Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Barbara Stanifer, Cook, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, changing from 4 hours to 5.75 hours per day, effective August 9, 2021; Jane Kendall, 6th grade Teacher transferring to Kindergarten Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Matt Brown, 6th grade Teacher transferring to 5th grade Teacher, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 9, 2021 were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Mike Keaffaber stated that the Teacher of the Year and Staff of the Year for each building have been named. The next step is naming the District TOY and SOY. This year there will be one for high school and one for elementary.

Mr. Keaffaber wanted to recognize a few school notables. The Clay Busters from Northfield and Southwood High Schools participated at the state level, Southwood High School Baseball won the sectional, making it a three-sport sectional win for Football, Basketball, and Baseball this year. Southwood High School had five seniors participate in the Indiana State Honors Choir. Northfield Softball is in the state finals!

The governor declared Indiana's public health emergency will expire on July 1, 2021. MSDWC will be working on a re-entry plan, which more than likely will follow the pre-covid .

Curriculum Report:

No report.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 High School Handbook was approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 Elementary Handbook was approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 Bridge Handbook was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the extended field trip for the Northfield Key Club to Cedar Point, Sandusky, OH planned for Late June or early July, 2021, was approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

None.

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):

One question was asked and answered.

Items from Board Members:

None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

TODD DAZEY, PRESIDENT

KEVIN BOWMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT

SCOTT HAUPERT, BOARD MEMBER

CHRISTIAN ROSEN, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

MATT DRISCOLL, SECRETARY