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 July 13, 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 July 13, 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, Matt Driscoll, and Scott Haupert. Also present were Sherry Ridgeway, Brian Ridgeway, and Josh Petruniw.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled July 27, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, August 10, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and August 24, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the $140.00 donation from Steve Brubaker was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $175.00 donation in memory of Charlene Roberts for Southwood High School Library (from Palmer Honeycutt-$25.00; Ron Bailey Construction-$50.00; Betty Brandenburg-$25.00; Cindy & Steven Flint-$25.00; Mark & Lori Draper-$25.00) was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

None.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)
No comments.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, June 8, 2021, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

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

Payroll #23 and #24 were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

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

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Monica Carey, Cook, Southwood Elementary, effective July 28, 2021; Kailyn Sorrell, Speech and Language Pathologist, WMAP, effective immediately; JT Bigs, Guidance Counselor, White’s Jr/Sr High School, effective, July 1, 2021; Kenneth Working, Summer Custodian, all schools, effective June 11, 2021; Shelby Grumpp, Paraprofessional, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective immediately; Sam Keffaber, English Teacher, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; Courtney McClure, 3rd Grade Teacher, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective immediately; were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Christina Stefanatos, Dean of Students, Southwood Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Chloe Plyler, Social Worker, Metro North Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Tabitha Cline, 6th Grade Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Mary Norman, 6th Grade Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Kelly Bare, 2nd Grade Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective August 9, 2021; Todd Law, Guidance Counselor, White’s Jr/Sr High School, effective July 26, 2021; Trisha Eckman, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Matthew Johnston, Choral Director, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 9, 2021; Kathryn Davis, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Teresa Coe, Paraprofessional, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Tammy Slone, Paraprofessional, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Sarah Aderman, Paraprofessional, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Elizabeth Clock, Math Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School; effective August 10, 2021; Amy Long, Secretary/Nurse, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective August 3, 2021; Christian Peterson, Social Worker, White’s Jr/Sr High School, effective August 2, 2021; Timothy Calloway, Agriculture Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective August 9, 2021; were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Rick Brewer, Social Studies Teacher and Varsity Boys’ Basketball Coach, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; was
approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the leave request for #125, leave to begin September 7, 2021 returning November 29, 2021; Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfers of Makayla Myer, transferring from Southwood Jr/Sr High School Agriculture Teacher to Northfield Jr/Sr High School Agriculture Teacher, effective August 9, 2021; Lindsay Knee, transferring from Northfield Jr/Sr High School Choral Director to Southwood Jr/Sr Band/Choral Director, effective August 9, 2021; Stephanie Height, transferring from Special Education Paraprofessional to Title I Paraprofessional at Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Krissy Cunningham, transferring from Special Education Paraprofessional to Title I Paraprofessional at Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2021; Abby Siders, transferring from Southwood Jr/Sr High School Cook to Southwood Elementary, Paraprofessional 3-year-old Preschool, effective August 10, 2021; were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

Matt Driscoll reported on the recent Heartland Career Center Board of Directors meeting. He stated that the meeting was a short one, but at the meeting the approved the bills to be paid. Contracts for the directors will be status quo.

Superintendent’s Report:

Superintendent Mike Keaffaber shared data on the meals served so far this summer, which will continue through July. He also shared summer school data:

- 220 students participated in over 564,780 minutes of enrichment and instruction over 18 days (some only 8 days for MIA) with 27 MSDWC staff members.
- 47 students participated in SPARK, which allowed for instruction to occur in their home school and offered enrichment during the afternoon with the YMCA.
- In addition, we had 14 out of our 17 students retaking IREAD receive a passing score.
- The Minds in Action team has already started planning for 2022. They outlined a K-2 program (3 days) and a grades 3-6 program (7 days).

Janette Moore and Tonya Boone worked as directors of summer school, with Mrs. Moore serving the elementary schools and Mrs. Boone secondary schools.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake shared the iRead scores. He reminded everyone that staff members are doing professional development throughout the summer.
New Business:

The recommendation to approve to keep the 2021-2022 school meal prices the same as 2020-2021, with the exception of an adjustment to adult meal prices, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve to salvage Activity Bus A3 and sell to Heartland Career Center, was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve to salvage Yellow Buses 2 & 19 and take to auction, was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the MSD and WMAP Employee Salary/Benefit Handbook changes were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Teacher Evaluation Plan 2021, was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Re-entry Plan 2021-2022, was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

None.

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):

One comment from the public was heard.

Items from Board Members:

None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.
TODD DAZEY, PRESIDENT

KEVIN BOWMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT

SCOTT HAUPERT, BOARD MEMBER

CHRISTIAN ROSEN, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

MATT DRISCOLL, SECRETARY