

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 March 8, 2022, at 5:00 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 March 8, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. at the Central Office. 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, 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 Scott Haupert. Matt Driscoll was absent. Also present were Mike McDivitt, Janette Moore, and Josh Petruniw.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for March 22, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, April 26, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and May 10, 2022, 6:00p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building. There will be no meeting on April 12, 2022.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$500.00 donation from Marion Family Optometry for Sharp Creek Robotics programs was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$500.00 donation from Stan and Kathy Leland for Sharp Creek Robotics programs was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$500.00 donation from Andrew Dixon for Sharp Creek Robotics programs was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$332,381.00 grant from Bright Futures Indiana-Build, Learn, Grow Stabilization Grant for Metro North Elementary, Little Norse Preschool was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$171,226.00 grant from Bright Futures Indiana-Build, Learn, Grow Stabilization Grant for Southwood Elementary, Little Knights Preschool was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the donation of a Weber Grand Piano Model WG-60 for Northfield Choir from Valerie Boyd was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$110.00 donation from Jonathan Flott for Northfield Track was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

From Jay Snyder, Principal at Northfield Jr/Sr High School, congratulations to NHS 8th grade robotics team for winning the Wawasee Robotics Tournament and qualifying for the state meet. Team members are Logan and Mason Lyons, Cody Yeiser, and Logan Graft. Congratulations to our 7th grade team who also qualified for state with skills points. NHS Jr. High Teams are coached by Jason Lyons. Good Luck at State!

Congratulations to Karson Pratt for being named Indiana High School Wrestling Coaches' Association Junior Academic All State Honorable Mention.

Congratulations to the following boys' basketball players for making the All-Wabash County Team: Eli Kroh and Dillon Tomlinson 2nd Team, Jaxton Peas and Jake Halderman Honorable Mention.

NHS would like to say "Thank You and awesome work" to Amanda Rhoades and her staff in the NHS kitchen. Throughout all the pandemic and staff shortage they have done an awesome job serving NHS staff and students.

From Andrew McDaniel, Southwood Jr/Sr High School Principal. SHS would like to recognize Dakota Wilson for representing SHS at the ISSMA State Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Contest at North Central High School in Indianapolis, Saturday, February 26, 2022. She earned a silver rating for her flute solo. Great job, Dakota!

Congratulations to Cole Winer and Jason Oprisek for being honored at the Region 5 Football Junior Class All-State Team. Way to go, Guys!

Congratulations to our Southwood Varsity Basketball Knights! They took the sectional basketball title Saturday with a win over Lakeland Christian! Each game, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday were hard-fought, competitive, and could have gone to either team. Congrats to Coach Burrus and Crew and our athletes for their success. This is the third straight sectional title taken

by the Knights! The Knights next play at Regionals at Frankfort High School on Saturday, March 12th.

From Janette Moore, Principal at Metro North Elementary. Ten Metro North artists have their masterpieces on display in the rotunda of our Indiana Statehouse in celebration of Youth Art Month. Congratulations to Grant Abell, Callie Nordman, Addison Chamberlain, Avery Davis, Gage Cook, Kenzie Dietrich, Alyssa Johnson, Riggins Woods, Kaitlyn Laferney, and Braylon Frieden!

Mrs. Gray and five of our ten artists attended the reception at the Statehouse, and MN kindergarten student, Grant Abell, received the award of Honorable Mention for the Lower Elementary division (K-2).

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, February 22, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

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

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

Dr. Kuhn reviewed the End of the Month for February.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Kim Miller, Custodian, Southwood Elementary, effective April 14, 2022, was approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of James Olinger, JH Wrestling Coach, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective the 2022 season; Amy M. Long, Cook, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective March 1, 2022; April Howard, Paraprofessional, Metro North Elementary, effective February 28, 2022, was approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Teresa Brubaker, North Bus Driver, effective June 1, 2022, was approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber shared MSD has 9 robotics teams going to the state competition; 2 teams from Southwood Elementary, coaches are Erica Tyson, Kelly Bare, and Amy Schmidt; 1 team from Southwood Jr/Sr High School, coaches are Jodi Kaehr and Dan Wright; 4 teams from Sharp Creek Elementary, coaches are Amber and Kevin Bretzman and Joel Nesler; and 2 teams from Northfield Jr/Sr High School, coach is Jason Lyons.

Southwood Boys' Basketball team advanced to regionals for the third straight year.

This Friday, March 11, 2022, is the Honors Band and Choir performance.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake shared exciting news. MSD has partnered with Pulaski County Public Library to share digital resources. CONNECT enables students to access both the library's and school's eBooks and audiobooks through the school's *Sora* reading app. The partnership provides access to thousands of age-appropriate titles for students' use inside the classroom, at home, and anywhere 24/7. Students can now borrow from both the school's collection of classroom and pleasure reading titles as well as from Pulaski County Public Library's juvenile and young adult digital collections, Sora will automatically filter content to only include age-appropriate titles depending on each student's grade level.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the 2022 Summer School Course Descriptions was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Southwood Senior trip to Pigeon Forge, TN, April 24-27, 2022, was approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

None

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):

No comments.

Items from Board Members:

None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:37 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