

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 May 10, 2022, 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 May 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office. We will continue to livestream the meeting on Facebook Live.

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, Scott Haupert, and Matt Driscoll. Also present were Jacob Watkins, Abby Burns, Casey Stouffer, and Josh Petruniw.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for May 24, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, June 14, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and June 28, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$3,000.00 donation from First Farmers Bank and Trust was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 donation from Pamela S. Migut-Finch for Northfield Robotics was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$17.70 donation from General Mills (Box Tops for Education) for Southwood Elementary, student use was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 from Sally Arven in memory of Mary Lou Kendall for WMAP was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the individual donations (see attached) for Sharp Creek Robotics was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$50.00 donation from Mike and Anne Swanson in memory of Mary Lou Kendall for WMAP was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the donations from: Robin Klare-\$50.00; Helen Elrod-\$50.00; Debbie Carter-\$100.00; L. Hoy-\$50.00; and Greg Garner-\$250.00 all in memory of Ross Trump for Northfield Band was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$50.00 donation from Dawes Angus Farms, Inc/Helen Dawes in memory of Mary Lou Kendall for WMAP was approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

From Andrew McDaniel, Southwood Jr/Sr High School Principal. Southwood Junior/Senior High School would like to recognize Katy McClure for coordinating the Knight Flight 5k. As a physical education teacher, Miss McClure regularly speaks of the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. The KnightFlight5k was a fun event to get students outside with the opportunity to run or walk the event. Regardless, students and staff were outside and ACTIVE! Special congratulations goes to James Unger (grade 7) and Jacob Beachler (grade 8) for shredding the competition and placing 1st and 2nd respectively. Way to go, Guys!

Southwood High School would like to recognize the efforts of Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Stetter, and the members of Student Congress. They organized the 2022 Penny Wars to raise money for Teacher Appreciation Week and helped organize the first annual SHS Carnival. Students were able to play games, get their faces painted, and participate in other activities after the 5k. We appreciate their efforts!

The Southwood Community would like to recognize Teacher Appreciation Week, specifically the outstanding educators at Southwood Junior/Senior High School! As principal, I am proud of the late nights grading and planning, the efforts to help students, the willingness to do whatever it takes for students to be successful and have an outstanding educational experience. Thank you to all teachers this week and every week.

According to US News and World Report, Southwood Junior/Senior High School earned high national ranking in the 2022 Best High Schools. To be part of this exclusive group, schools are judged upon the number of students taking and passing one or more AP exams, proficiency in standardized tests, and graduation rate. This award is a testament to the hard work of the staff and students at Southwood Junior/Senior High School. Way to go, Knights!

From Jay Snyder Northfield Jr/Sr High School Principal. Last week was Teacher Appreciation Week, so a special THANK YOU to all of our staff. Thank you to central office, Andrew Dixon for lunches and for all the treats different parents provided. This week is Nurses Week - Thank you to our MSD Nurses - especially with all the added work due to Covid-19 the last couple of years.

Congratulations to our NHS Jr. High Robotics Team! Mason and Logan Lyons, Cody Yeiser, and Logan Graft worked together to pull off a 36th place finish out of the top 500 Middle School teams in the World last week in Dallas, TX. Congrats on a Fantastic Season! Good Luck this week to our Elementary Robotics Teams.

Staff Spotlight:

Jane Kendall, Southwood Elementary Teacher, nominated Chris Stefanatos, Southwood Elementary Dean of Students for the staff spotlight. Mrs. Kendall had this to say: *Chris is stepping into a new role. She has come in with such a positive energy and is working very hard to make a profound academic and social impact on our students and staff. She is supportive and cares deeply for our students and staff. She has shown grace and kindness to our students when they need it most. She brings such a wealth of experience to our staff and we are lucky to have her influence each of us. in such a positive way.* (Mr. Keaffaber shared these words, as neither of the ladies were able to attend the meeting.)

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, April 26, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Matt Driscoll, 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 total for April.

Dr. Kuhn shared the 2023 Budget calendar.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Tracey Snyder, Bus Driver, North, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; Erin Strange, Teacher, Southwood Elementary, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; Sheryll Ulshafer, Bus Aide, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Casey Stouffer, Principal, Southwood Elementary, effective August 1, 2022; Jacob Watkins, Teacher, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 8, 2022; Tracey Kennedy, Summer Secretary, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective date to be determined; Hillary Eltzroth, Varsity Head Coach Girls Basketball, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; Brandon Baker, JV Head Coach Girls

Basketball, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; Amy Long, Summer Secretary, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective date to be determined; Megan Ellis, Summer Secretary, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective date to be determined were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Beth Eagan, Special Education Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the leave of #139 to begin April 25, 2022 with the return date to be determined was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfer of Mary Norman, Teacher, transferring from 6th grade to 5th grade at Southwood Elementary, effective the 2022-2023 school year; Kim Rutledge, transferring from Music Teacher to Classroom Teacher at Southwood Elementary, effective the 2022-2023 school year; Jessica Brewer, Teacher, transferring from Computer Science at Southwood and Northfield Jr/Sr High School to Computer Science, Earth Science, and Spanish at Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective the 2022-2023 school year; Joseph Mitchell, Teacher, transferring from Spanish to JH Science/ICP at Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective the 2022-2023 school year were approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber shared information concerning the Resolution of the 1003 Flexibility Waiver before the Board voted on the resolution.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake was happy to announce that the scores for iLearn have started to be available.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the Resolution of the 1003 Flexibility Waiver Request was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the overnight/extended/out of state trip for Southwood 8th grade History and English classes to Washington D.C., May 16-19, 2023 was approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

None

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):

No questions.

Items from Board Members:

None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:31p.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