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 August 9, 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 August 9, 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, Matt Driscoll, and Scott Haupert. Absent was Christian Rosen. Also present were Gary Dawson, Frankie Dawson, and Josh Petruniw.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for August 23, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, September 13, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and September 27, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the $275.00 donation from the Cheer Camp Sponsors: Salon 135-$33.00, Bailey’s Pizza Parlor-$25.00; Lynn’s Restaurant-$30.00, Wabash County CASA-$50.00, Walt Family-$30.00, Hannan Olinger-$15.00, Melissa Martin-$22.00, Amy Holmes-$20.00, Abby Rhoades-$30.00, and Sarah Meyers-$20.00 for Northfield High School was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the $3,576.00 donation from the Volleyball Sponsors: Andrea Zweibel-$100.00, Niccum Consulting-$100.00, Kathryn Baker-$25.00, Tony Hoover-$25.00, Lakeila Hunter-$75.00, Jennifer Drancik-$50.00, William Watson-$50.00, Tonya Hoppes-$50.00, Monica Kuhn-$50.00, Tiffany Smith-$50.00, Andrea Birk-$100.00, Tharon Sluss-$100.00, Troy Baer-$100.00, Deb Schenkel-$100.00, JoJo’s Olfactory-$100.00, Shannon Shriver-$100.00, Mitch Snyder-$100.00, Treska Brothers Excavating-$100.00, Indiana RV Rental & Sales (Michele Weaver)-$250.00, Scott Haupert-$300.00, Hoosier Chiropractic-$101.00, Southside Supply-$50.00, Gaunt and Son-$100.00, Gebhart Holdings-$100.00, Huntington University-$100.00, McKillip Seed-$100.00, First Federal Savings Bank-$100.00, Brainard Snow Removal-$100.00, Hoffman Nursery and Landscaping-$100.00, Hahn Custom Services-$150.00, Ft. Wayne Reinforcing, Inc-$200.00, Andrew Rice-$200.00, Maxx Tan-$50.00, and First Farmer’s Bank and Trust-$100.00 for
Northfield High School was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

Angela Dunn shared that the Wabash CASA held their annual Back to School Bash. She said that they served 330 kids and of those 330 kids 97 were from MSD School District. Angela also shared that they appreciate Coach Hallie Zolman for sharing the Jr. High and High School Cheerleaders in helping out in this event. The support from them was awesome!

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, July 26, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupert, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

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

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

Dr. Kuhn reviewed July’s End of Month financials.

Dr. Kuhn reviewed the Education Fund Budget.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Lisa Hayslett, Data/Technology Assistant, Central Office, effective August 3, 2022; Brenda Carey, English Teacher, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 2, 2022; Beth Whitesel, Director of Health Services, effective August 31, 2022; Tiffany Clupper, Bus Driver, South Schools, effective August 3, 2022; Patsy Arwood, Bus Driver, South Schools, effective August 8, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Tiffany Rebholz, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Danielle Whiteman, Paraprofessional, Metro North Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Diane White, Bus Aide, All Schools, effective August 10, 2022; Lisa Schaaf, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Nicci Neeley, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Sheryl Ulshafer, Bus Aide All Schools, effective August 10, 2022; Katie Singleton, Long-term Sub Teacher, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 10, 2022; Dan Snyder, P.E. Teacher, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective August 8, 2022; Cathryn Lyons, Cook, Metro North Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Alex Miracle, Bus Driver, South Schools, effective August 10, 2022; Carlos Delgado, Paraprofessional, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective
August 10, 2022; Sharon Weaver, Paraprofessional, Metro North Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Jason Lyons, Robotics Coach, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; Sherm Gray, Robotics Coach, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; Matt Hodson, JH Robotics Coach, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfer of Melissa Metz, transferring from Cook at Metro North Elementary to Paraprofessional at Sharp Creek Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Eva Simpson, transferring from Cook at Southwood Elementary to Paraprofessional at Southwood Elementary, effective August 10, 2022; Kari Johnson, transferring from Business Teacher at Southwood Jr/Sr High School to Assistant Principal at Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective August 8, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the coaches for Northfield Jr/Sr High School (all for the 2022-2023 season) were as follows: Hallie Zolman, Head Cheer Coach; Andrea Beeks, Head Cross Country; Kelly Bever, Assistant Cross Country; Eric Kirtlan, Assistant Cross Country; Kevin Leming, JH Cross Country; Brandon Baker, Head Football Coach; Erik Weikel, JV Football; Stan Cox, Assistant Football; Jeff Kamphues, Assistant Football; Tory Shafer, Assistant Football; Evin Harris, Assistant Football; Micah Higgins, Assistant Football; Joseph Mitchell, Assistant Football; Matt Burkhart, JH Football; Jim Curry, JH football; Joe Halderman, JH Football; Shelly Myers, Assistant Volleyball; Toni McKillip, JV Volleyball; Christy Tomson, Assistant Volleyball; Alyssa Spann, 8th grade Volleyball; Tiffany Livesay, 7th grade Volleyball, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the coaches for Southwood Jr/Sr High School (all for the 2022-2023 season) were as follows: Danielle Stouffer, Varsity Cheer Coach; Christian Perry, Varsity Boys Basketball; Cory Blocker, Varsity Baseball Coach; Jay Wyatt, Assistant Football; Jonathan Collins, Assistant Cross Country; Gabi Wagoner, JV Cheer, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent’s Report:

Mr. Keaffaber shared a photo from Opening Day for staff. The photo was of all the staff members present who are MSD alumni, 72 all totaled. He then shared the renderings of the proposed new school.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake shared that approximately 60 teachers have been in trainings this summer.
He shared with the Board that 965 college credits were earned by students in the 2021-2022 school year. Students earned 90 credits through Advanced Placement programming, dual credits through Indiana University, Purdue University, and Ivy Tech who certify several courses to be taught in our buildings by our high qualified teachers for dual credits. MSD partners with local universities to encourage our student to attend classes on campus or online at Huntington University, Indiana University-Kokomo, Indiana Wesleyan University, and Manchester University.

New Business:

President Todd Dazey opened the Public Hearing for Formal Bargaining (I.C. 20-29-6-1). After hearing no comments from the public, the hearing was closed.

The recommendation to approve the Corporate Authorization Resolution was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Board Policy:

The Board heard the first reading of School Board Policy #3160 revised per I.C. 20-26-14-9(b). The second reading and vote will be on the August 23, 2022, Board Meeting.

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 6:30 p.m.
SCOTT HAUPERT, BOARD MEMBER

CHRISTIAN ROSEN, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

MATT DRISCOLL, SECRETARY