

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 September 13, 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 September 13, 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 and Chris Kuhn, Assistant Superintendent were present. Absent was Tim Drake, Chief Academic Officer. A roll call of members on the Board were shown to be present as follows: Kevin Bowman, Matt Driscoll, Scott Hauptert, and Christian Rosen. Also present were Janette Moore, Joel Martin, Casey Stouffer, Gary Dawson, Frankie Dawson, and Josh Petruniw.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for September 27, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, October 11, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and November 8, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$200.00 donation from Women's Club House for Northfield Football Team was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$249.50 donation from Zoetis for Northfield FFA was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$1,000.00 donation from Wabash County REMC for Northfield Wrestling was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approved the \$500.00 donation from TTG Equipment, Brainard Snow Removal, Brant's Harley Davidson, and Miller Scales & Food Machines for Northfield Boys' Basketball Outing Sponsor was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

### School Recognition:

Jay Snyder, Principal at Northfield Jr/Sr High School shared that Northfield Football received an exemplary behavior report from official Sam Sturtevant from the game against Tippecanoe Valley on Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Valley had an injured player go out cold on the field. It was a long delay and Eli Kroh #33 for Northfield organized a prayer circle for both teams to pray at center field. It was a great display of sportsmanship and I applaud that young man and team for showing grace and class.

Thanks to Mr. Votaw and the Northfield National Honor Society for picking up trash and putting it in the cans after the Northfield Home football games. Honor Society members strive to be examples of not only Scholarship, but also Leadership, Service, and Character. Helping make things easier on our custodial staff and keeping the school grounds looking nice are great examples of Leadership and Service. Thank you!

Thanks to the NHS Art Department and Mr. Adam Zwiebel, Art Teacher, for refinishing our mail box/container out in front of the school. It is very much appreciated.

From Joel Martin, Principal at Sharp Creek Elementary, Sharp Creek would like to recognize the hard work of our Social Worker, Mrs. Morgan Blocher. Her dedication to assisting students and families in emotional and social areas is so very important to our building's overall success. We appreciate you!

Sharp Creek has the following students participating in Junior High Cross Country this year. Thanks to Hudson Haupt, Bode Sorg, Haley Bucher, Sheila Smith, Adalynn Hawkens, Bentley Sutterby, and Izzy See for putting forth the necessary hard work to compete at the junior high level. We are proud of you!

From Janette Moore, Principal at Metro North Elementary, on August 26, 2022, Metro North had 24 students stay after school for our MN Reading Celebration. These 24 students read throughout the summer and kept track of their reading minutes. Thirteen students completed the "Mrs. Moore's Reading Bonus Activities" and were able to stay for an afterhours party that included swimming, Frosty's, and an overnight at Metro North. Thank you to MN staff members that assisted with the Reading Celebration - Ms. Stearley, Mrs. Knox, Mrs. Plyler and Mrs. Watkins.

Our Metro North Little Norse Preschool sailed through another site visit for our preschool licensing. Thank you to all of our Little Norse staff that completed paperwork and tasks to ensure our success. Completing this process, allows our families access to tuition support funding like *On My Way PreK* and CCDF vouchers.

### Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, August 23, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Haupt, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Claims were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Kevin Bowman 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 End of Month for August.

President Todd Dazey opened the Budget Hearing. Dr. Kuhn reviewed the budget. After the review of the budget and an opportunity for questions, Todd Dazey closed the Budget Hearing.

The recommendation to approve the Resolution for Appropriation Modification was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

#### Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Stephanie Fisher, Paraprofessional, Metro North Elementary, effective September 9, 2022; Angie Driscoll, Paraprofessional, Metro North Elementary, effective September 30, 2022; Amanda Lyons, Library Aide, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective September 19, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Carla Dietrich, Cook, Sharp Creek Elementary, effective September 19, 2022; Kim Hybarger, Robotics Coach, Southwood Elementary, effective immediately; Britany Hoy, Paraprofessional, Metro North Elementary, effective September 12, 2022; Amanda Eviston, 5<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball Coach, Southwood Elementary, effective immediately were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the leave of #143, leave to begin January 4, 2023, through March 6, 2023; #144, leave to begin March 1, 2023, returning May 1, 2023; #145, leave to begin December 13, 2022, through March 3, 2023, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfer of Sable Shoue, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, transferring from Paraprofessional to Library Aide, effective September 19, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Kevin Bowman, and unanimously carried.

#### Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

#### Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber shared a graphic showing data that Dr. Kuhn compiled. The graphic indicated that of the 20 counties in Indiana with only one school district, only four increased in population from 2012-2020 according to the census data. Of those four, three were counties with large cities and only Brown County did not have a large city in their county, but is close to Bloomington. He reviewed the dates for the upcoming public new school informational meetings. These meetings are meant to share information regarding the upcoming vote on the referendum and to give the public an opportunity to ask questions.

Mr. Keaffaber shared in the absence of Tim Drake, Chief Academic Officer, on Friday, September 9, 2022, MSD staff participated in the first ever, all-day professional development day without eLearning occurring simultaneously. Dr. Adam Drummond, guest speaker, spoke to the staff.

#### Curriculum Report:

No report.

#### New Business:

Southwood Elementary, Metro North Elementary, and Sharp Creek Elementary principals shared their school improvement plans for the 2022-2023 school year.

The recommendation to approve the 2022-2023 school fundraisers were approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the extended field trip for Northfield FFA to attend the FFA National Convention, October 28, 2022, in Indianapolis, IN was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the camping trip for Southwood 4<sup>th</sup> grade to Camp Tecumseh, Brookston, IN, November 3-4, 2022, was approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the camping trip for Sharp Creek 4<sup>th</sup> grade to Camp Tecumseh, Brookston, IN, October 13-14, 2022, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

#### Unfinished Business:

None.

#### Board Policy:

No report.

#### 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 6:54 p.m.

THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

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TODD DAZEY, PRESIDENT

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KEVIN BOWMAN, VICE-PRESIDENT

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SCOTT HAUPERT, BOARD MEMBER

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CHRISTIAN ROSEN, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

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MATT DRISCOLL, SECRETARY