

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 October 11, 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 October 11, 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, 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, Scott Haupert, and 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 November 8, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, November 22, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and December 13, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$1,000.00 donation from LIFE Sunday School Class from Bachelor Creek Church of Christ for Metro North Elementary (to be used for student supplies, shoes, and meals) was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$1,500.00 donation from Greg and Kathryn Gahl for Northfield Wrestling was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$875.00 donation from \$100.00 from New Song Church; \$100.00 from Bass and Bucks, Inc.; \$100.00 from Lutheran Cardiac Cath Lab (Kalie Hayes); \$100.00 from Wabash CASA; \$100.00 from Katie Pratt, Our House Real Estate; \$100.00 from Teijin Automotive Technologies; \$100 from Scott Graft; \$50.00 from Bailey's Pizza Parlor; \$25.00 from Julie Muzzy; \$100.00 from FWR Midwest all for Northfield Cheerleading was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

Andrew McDaniel, Principal at Southwood Jr/Sr High School, shared that SHS Football Players Nathan Lehner and Cole Winer have been nominated for the MaxPreps Athletes of the Week (Monday, October 3, 2022). They played a significant role in Southwood's win over Peru on Friday, September 30, 2022.

Congratulations to our Gridiron Knights as they continue to perform well in conference play. The Knights defeated the Whitko Wildcats by a score of 44-0 at Whitko. Currently, they are 6-2 overall and 6-1 in the conference this year.

SHS would like to congratulate the SHS Girls' and Boys' Cross-Country teams as they participated in sectionals on Saturday, October 8, 2022. Although we didn't have any regional qualifiers, several of our students improved their run times.

From Joel Martin, Principal at Sharp Creek Elementary. Congratulations to the following Sharp Creek Elementary students who have been announced as finalists in the Honeywell Center Winter Street Banner Art Contest; 3rd graders Wyatt Poole, Beckett Culver, Keagan Prus, and Amelia McKillip. 4th graders Tiarra Reahard, Paisly Swanson, Diem Rosemeyer, and Zoie Lyons. 5th graders Miranda Heister, Charlotte Harrington, Jake McColley, and Lakelyn Galloway. 6th graders Makenna Lowe, Emerson Zwiebel, Alexis Laferney and Logan Holmes. Also, a special thank you to teacher Katy Gray for her work with the students. These artists will be recognized at the awards reception at Honeywell Center on Nov. 16, 2022, at 7:30pm.

Thank you to Manchester University, the Wabash County YMCA, and all sponsors and organizers for treating our Sharp Creek 3rd graders to a fun day of activities during the "Walk into My Future" event.

Mr. Keaffaber also shared that Southwood Girls' Volleyball team captured the Three Rivers Conference title.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, September 27, 2022, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Matt Driscoll, 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 Kevin Bowman, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

Dr. Kuhn reviewed the September End of Month.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Tamie Tucker, Health Service Assistant, effective immediately was approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Katy Johnson, Long-term Substitute, Metro North Elementary, effective approximately March, 1, 2023, through April 28, 2023; Anna Pence, Long-term Substitute, WMAP, effective approximately November 1, 2022, through January 17, 2023, were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfer of Trisha Eckman, from Paraprofessional to Health Service Assistant at Southwood Elementary were approved upon a motion made by were approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Mike Holley, Math Teacher, Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year 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 that referendum meetings have gone very well with over 300 members of the community who have attended one or more meetings. There will be one last meeting at Somerset but six mini meetings have been scheduled. Staff will continue to be at some athletic events to share referendum information. Mr. Keaffaber stated that people are starting to learn why this new school is needed based on meetings and information provided on the website and social media.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake did not have much to share other than the 1st 9 weeks are ending and Parent Teacher Conferences are going on.

New Business:

The recommendation to approve the 2021-2023 Teacher Contract was approved upon a motion made by Kevin Bowman, a second by Matt Driscoll, 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 6:20 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