

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 23, 2023, 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 23, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office. We will continue to livestream the meeting on Facebook Live.

Kevin Bowman, President, called the meeting to order. Mike Keaffaber, Superintendent was present. Chris Kuhn, Assistant Superintendent and Tim Drake, Chief Academic Officer were absent. A roll call of members on the Board were shown to be present as follows: Matt Driscoll, Jeff Porter, and Scott Haupert. Absent was Christian Rosen. Also present were Josh Petruniw, Trot Turner, Stacy Turner, Ronda Dubuque, Gary Dawson, and Frankie Dawson.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for June 13, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building; July 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building, and July 25, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

No Public Recognition.

Staff Spotlight:

Ronda Dubuque, Southwood Elementary Teacher, was nominated by parent Stacy Turner. These words were shared: She has helped Trot grow so much this year, using his strengths to build his confidence and working on his weaknesses. She is always available for questions and gives her students her all!

School Recognition:

No School Recognition

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 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 Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Haupert, and unanimously carried.

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

The Board reviewed the Education and Operation Funds.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Christian Peterson, Social Worker, White's Jr/Sr High School, effective May 12, 2023; MacKenzie Lepper, Psychologist, WMAP, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Amy Long, Summer Secretary, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective May 30-June 28, 2023; Robotics Coaches for Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately: Scott Ross, Kami Ross, Matt Hodson, Sheryl Hodson, Sherman Gray, Katy Gray, Jason Lyons, and Amanda Lyons; Hannah Burton, Educational Diagnostician, WMAP, effective August 7, 2023; Zachary West, Special Education Teacher for Day Reporting/Continuum, effective August 7, 2023; Evelyn Fowler, Classroom Instructor, White's Jr/Sr High School, effective May 30, 2023; Tiffany Taylor, Custodian, Southwood Elementary, effective May 30, 2023; Megan Wright, Summer School Teacher, effective June 1, 2023; Amber Sweet, Summer School Teacher, effective June 1, 2023; Clay Herring, Summer Custodian, all schools, effective date to be determined, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the leave of #159, leave to begin approximately August 7, 2023. Returning September 18, 2023; #160 leave to begin August 7, 2023 through October 6, 2023, were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber shared the Dallas Texas postcard sent to the School District from the Southwood Elementary Robotics team - 119245.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Keaffaber discussed the Science Curricular Resources and requested public input.

New Business:

The Board heard the first reading and review of the Bridge Handbook for 2023-2024. The second reading and vote will be June 13, 2023.

The Board heard the first reading and review of the Elementary Handbook for 2023-2024. The second reading and vote will be June 13, 2023.

The Board heard the first reading and review of the Jr./Sr. High School Handbook for 2023-2024. The second reading and vote will be June 13, 2023.

The recommendation to approve the overnight/extended/out of state field trip for Southwood 8th grade to Washington D.C., May 14-17, 2024 was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Scott Hauptert, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Southwood Elementary roof bid for McGuff Roofing, Inc. was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 Board of Education Meeting Dates was approved upon a motion made by Scott Hauptert, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business.

Board Policy:

No Board Policies.

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):

No comments.

Items from Board Members:

No items from the Board Members.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

Kevin Bowman, PRESIDENT

Matt Driscoll, VICE-PRESIDENT

Scott Haupert, BOARD MEMBER

Jeff Porter, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

Christian Rosen, SECRETARY