

NORTHEAST DUBOIS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

The Board was meet in Executive Session at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Discussion of School Safety Plans & Systems I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (3), Collective Bargaining I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b) 2(a)
3. Adjournment

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees in the Board Room at the Corporation Office Northeast Dubois County School Corporation

This meeting was a meeting of the School Board in public for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation’s business and not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be time for public participation as indicated by agenda Communication from the floor.



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Mr. Kelly Knies.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Kelly Knies, President	Present
	Mr. Brennan Schepers, Vice-President	Present
	Mr. Shawn Dooley, Secretary	Present
	Mr. James W. Harris, Member	Present
	Mrs. Jan M. Dodd, Member	Present
	Dr. Tara Rasche, Superintendent	Present

OFFICIAL GUESTS:	Mr. Clay Cummins, Attorney	Present
	Mrs. DeAnn Meyer, Treasurer	Present
	Mrs. Gretchen Brinkman, Deputy Treasurer	Absent
	Mr. Andy Chinn, Principal	Present
	Mr. Ryan Case, Principal	Present
	Mrs. Courtney Hopf, Principal	Present
	Mrs. Tracy Gutsell, Assistant Principal	Present

NEWS MEDIA:	<u>NEWSPAPER</u>	
	Daily Herald	Absent
	<u>RADIO</u>	
	WITZ, WQKZ	Absent
	<u>TV</u>	
	WJTS -TV	Absent

UNOFFICIAL GUESTS: Amy Mitchell, Andrea Rickelman, Jason Hagen, Jennifer Ashby, Matt Dalton, Dennis Rasche, Ian Wilson

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
October 10, 2023

RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUESTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2023---130 It was recommended that the minutes of the September 19, 2023 Regular meeting be approved as presented.

Motion by Brennan Schepers
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

2023---131 **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

Jennifer Ashby said that we received an ROI Grant for \$100,000 for a STEM classroom. Of the funds received, \$60,000 will be used for equipment and \$40,000 for training.

BUSINESS OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS

2023---132 **A. Vouchers**

It was recommended that Voucher #102765 through #102878 in Appendix #10 be approved as presented.

It was recommended that the vouchers be approved.

Motion by Shawn Dooley
Seconded by Jan M. Dodd
Vote 5-0

2023---133 **B. Capital Projects Plan Resolution**

We had advertised the 2024 budget on August 16, 2023 which includes the Capital Projects Plan in Gateway and on the Corp Webpage. The Public Hearing for the Capital Projects Plan was held on September 19, 2023. The Capital Projects Plan needed to be approved.

It was recommended that the Capital Projects Plan Resolution be approved.

Motion by James W. Harris
Seconded by Brennan Schepers
Vote 5-0

2023---134 **C. Bus Replacement Plan Resolution**

We had advertised the 2024 budget on August 16, 2023 which includes the Bus Replacement Plan in Gateway and on the Corp Webpage. The Public Hearing for the Bus Replacement Plan was held on September 19, 2023. The Bus Replacement Plan needed to be approved.

It was recommended that the Bus Replacement Plan Resolution be approved.

Motion by James W. Harris
Seconded by Brennan Schepers
Vote 5-0

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D. Resolution to Transfer

Dr. Tara Rasche was requesting approval of the resolution to transfer an amount not to exceed \$55,000/month or a total of \$660,000 from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund starting in January 2024 for budget year 2024.

It was recommended that the Resolution to Transfer be approved.

Motion by James W. Harris
Seconded by Brennan Schepers
Vote 5-0

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E. Resolution Authorizing Tax Anticipation Warrants

Dr. Tara Rasche was requesting approval of the resolution authorizing tax anticipation warrants for 2024.

It was recommended that the Resolution Authorizing Tax Anticipation Warrants be approved.

Motion by Jan M. Dodd
Seconded by Shawn Dooley
Vote 5-0

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E. Budget Transfer Resolution

Indiana Law requires all school boards to complete the financial year with all accounts in the black. Therefore, we are allowed to transfer appropriations from surplus accounts to deficit accounts. The 2023 budget is in the black for the fiscal year. In accordance with the provisions of Opinion No. 11, Office of the Attorney General, dated June 28, 1996, transfer within the Education Fund, the Operations Fund, Debt Service Fund, Pension Bond Fund, Referendum Fund and Rainy Day Fund are recommended. It was recommended that the Superintendent, Treasurer, and Deputy Treasurer be given approval to make the transfers at the end of 2023 and give a copy of the transfers to the Board as soon as completed.

It was recommended that the Budget Transfer Resolution be approved.

Motion by Brennan Schepers
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

It was recommended that the regular meeting be closed and the Teacher Compensation Hearing be opened at 7:22 p.m.

Motion by Shawn Dooley
Seconded by Brennan Schepers
Vote 5-0

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G. Teacher Compensation Hearing

Public testimony was taken at the hearing pursuant to Indiana Code 20-29-6-1 (a) regarding teacher compensation and collective bargaining.

The hearing was open for comments from the public.

Andrea Rickelman stated that she wished that teachers could get a raise.

It was recommended that the Teacher Compensation Hearing be closed and the regular meeting be opened at 7:24 p.m.

Motion by James W. Harris
Seconded by Shawn Dooley
Vote 5-0

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H. NEOLA Updates

The Board received updated policies last month that needed to be approved.

It was recommended that the NEOLA updates be approved.

Motion by Jan M. Dodd
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

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I. Teacher Contract Ratification Meeting

Dr. Tara Rasche was requesting to set a Special Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on October 23, 2023 for the Teacher Contract Ratification.

It was recommended that the meeting for October 23, 2023 be approved.

Motion by Shawn Dooley
Seconded by Brennan Schepers
Vote 5-0

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J. Field Trip

Mr. David Fox was requesting approval for the Band to attend the State Finals at Franklin Central High School in Franklin, IN on October 13, 2023 to October 14, 2023. This is an overnight field trip which requires Board approval.

It was recommended that the field trip be approved.

Motion by Jan M. Dodd
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

INFORMATION & REPORTS FOR THE BOARD

The Corporation would like to thank all those who donated to make the new playground at the Elementary School possible.

Upcoming Events:

- October 16-20 - Fall Break, No School**
- October 23 – Flex Day, No School**
- October 26 – Fall Festival at NDJSHS**

To view the meeting live on Corporation Facebook page, go to and search Northeast Dubois County School Corporation.

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LATE ITEMS

There were no late items

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ADJOURNMENT

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Motion by Brennan Schepers
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

The Board will meet in Executive Session following the regular meeting. I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) (2(A), 3 & 9) relating to: collective bargaining, school safety, and job performance evaluations.

1. Call to Order
2. Review & Discuss
3. Adjournment