

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 March 12, 2024, 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 March 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office. We will continue to livestream the meeting on Facebook Live.

Scott Hauptert, Board President, called the meeting to order. Mike Keaffaber, Superintendent, Chris Kuhn, Assistant Superintendent, and Tim Drake, Chief Academic Officer. On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: Christian Rosen, Jeff Porter, and Matt Driscoll. Kevin Bowman was absent. Also present were Josh Petruniw, David Peebles, Vaughn Peebles, and Brett Evans.

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for March 26, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Administration Building, April 23, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Administration Building, and May 28, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Regular Meeting at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the anonymous \$100.00 donation for Southwood Elementary for students in need was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$4,800.00 donation for Southwood Baseball from: Jennifer Meyer (Ruoff)-\$250.00; Todd Adams (State Farm)-\$250.00; Payton & Alissa Deeter-\$200.00; Dust Buddies Cleaning Services-\$250.00; Nicholas & Abby Driskill- \$200.00; BJS Services-\$250.00; Sutton Real Estate, LLC-\$400.00; Bing M. Fowler, D.D.S.-Family Dentistry-\$250.00; Poole Foods, Inc.-\$250.00; Gentry Well & Pump-\$500.00; Complete Glass Solutions-\$250.00; FJ Rettig & Sons-\$200.00; Shepherd's Chevrolet-\$250.00; JM Reynolds Oil Co.-\$200.00; Terrell Realty Group, LLC-\$200.00; Ford Meter Box Company-\$200.00; Mosier's Tarps-\$500.00; Truland Equipment, LLC-\$200.00 were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition (Student and Staff):

From Jay Snyder, Principal of Northfield Jr/Sr High School. Thanks to Mr. Baker and Mr. Eltzroth for organizing and sponsoring intramural volleyball this winter. They decided to try volleyball and it was a success. We had more staff involvement and the great thing is that students and staff raised \$728 at the annual student vs. staff final game. The students choose

where to donate the money from the \$2 admission to the game and this year they chose FISH. Intramurals are great, but it is awesome when kids can be involved in thinking of others and giving back to our local community.

From Amber Lewis, Principal of Southwood Jr/Sr High School. The boys and girls SHS track and field teams received an exemplary behavior recognition from Alan Wright for the SHS vs. Mississinewa track meet. Wright stated, *"Tonight, I was the track starter for the Mississinewa vs. Southwood Coed track Meet. Even though it was the first outdoor meet of the year, the student athletes from both Schools were Professional, prepared for each event and showed great sportsmanship throughout the evening. Both schools were well coached and never once did I have to wait for athletes to be ready for their individual events. I believe the administration from each school should be proud of their coaches and student athletes along with their fans who were in attendance. As an official it was a very enjoyable meet to officiate. For these reasons, I would like to nominate both Mississinewa and Southwood's Coed Varsity Track Teams for an exemplary award. I wish you both good luck and thank you for being good examples. Sincerely, Alan Wright Indiana High School Track Official"*

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2024, were approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Claims were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

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

Dr. Kuhn shared the End of Month for February. He also informed the Board that they had a meeting with the auditors and was pleased to say that it was a clean audit.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the resignation of Carmela Turner, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective February 26, 2024; Haley Lanning, Paraprofessional, Southwood Elementary, effective the end of the 2023-2024 school year were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the employment of Danielle Stout, Custodian, Southwood Elementary, effective March 4, 2024, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the transfer of Kami Ross, 3rd grade teacher at Sharp Creek Elementary to STEM teacher at Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective August 5, 2024

was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the retirement of Cindy French, Cook, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective March 15, 2024, was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the summer school staff: Janette Moore, Summer School Director K-8; Alissa Deeter, 3rd grade reading teacher; Jennifer Finney, 3rd grade reading paraprofessional, both at Southwood Elementary; Tara Haupt 3rd grade reading teacher; Kayla Black, 3rd grade reading paraprofessional, both at Sharp Creek Elementary; Lori Schultz, MIA Level 1; Heather Click, MIA Level ; Janette Moore, MIA Level 1; Kaila Paul, MIA Level 2; Heather Click, MIA Level 2; Janette Moore, MIA Level 2; Hannah Brubaker, MIA Level 3; Brett Evans, MIA Level 3; Adam Phelps, High School Edmentum all were approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

Heartland Career Center Report:

No report.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Keaffaber was proud to announce that we have 8 Robotics teams going to state; 5 elementary teams and 3 high school teams.

He gave an update on current legislation.

Curriculum Report:

Mr. Drake reported that WIDA (tests English Learners), iRead, and SAT have finished.

New Business:

Hearing of Lease Agreement and Additional Appropriation:

The President stated the next item on the agenda was to hold a hearing on the proposed Lease Agreement for the construction projects and the additional appropriation hearing for the bond proceeds. He instructed the public as to how they may make comments at the appropriate time.

The Notice of this Hearing on the Lease and Additional Appropriation were published as legally required in the Wabash Plain Dealer on February 8, 2024, and that notice of this additional appropriation hearing and that notice of this additional appropriation hearing was published in the Wabash Plain Dealer on February 22, 2024.

Dr Kuhn further stated that the Lease, plans and estimates for the school facilities to be renovated and improved by the M.S.D. of Wabash County Multi-School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation") had been on file from the date of publication of the notice until today, in the Administration Building of the School Corporation.

The meeting was then opened for public comment on the Lease and the Additional Appropriation for the purpose of the renovation and improvements to school facilities. After hearing all persons interested, the hearing was then closed. The Board then voted on the following resolutions.

The recommendation to approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of Lease (Exhibit A) was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Additional Appropriation Resolution (Exhibit B) which was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Resolution Assigning Construction Bids/Contracts to the Building Corporation (Exhibit C) which was approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Resolution Approving form of the Fourth Supplement to Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking and Issuance of Bonds (Exhibit D) was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes (Exhibit E) was approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Jeff Porter, and unanimously carried.

The hearing was then closed.

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business.

Board Policy:

No Board Policy.

Public Comment (All Agenda Items):

Items from Board Members:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

Scott Haupert, PRESIDENT

Christian Rosen, VICE-PRESIDENT

Matt Driscoll, BOARD MEMBER

Jeff Porter, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

Kevin Bowman, SECRETARY