

Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

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Administration Office, 4711 S. 500 W. New Palestine, In 46163

Monday, March 11, 2024

6:30pm

Present: Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member; Mr. Robert Yoder, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Lisa Lantrip, Superintendent; Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President; Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member; Mr. Miles Hercamp, Director of Instructional Services; Ms. Amber Rush, Executive Administrative Assistant; Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President; Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary; Mrs. Katy Eastes, Assistant Superintendent and Director of Student Services; Sarah Gizzi, Assisted Business Manager; Craig Smith, Communications Director

1 Welcome/Call to Order/Pledge

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Hooker was present virtually.

2 Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to approve the March 1, 2024 agenda. Mr. Walker moved to approve the agenda as presented. Dr. Ackerman seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dan Walker

Seconded: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

3 Citizens Comments on Agenda Items

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Persons wishing to address the Board on an agenda item shall register by completing the Comments on Agenda Items Form and submitting the form to the Secretary of the Board prior to the start of the meeting. The

registration form will include the name of the person(s) providing comment, the organization represented (if any), and identify the agenda item to be addressed. The agenda will be posted at the administration office and at each of the school buildings at least five (5) days (including Saturday and Sunday) prior to the meeting (i.e. by Wednesday before a Monday meeting). Copies of the agenda will also be available at the scheduled Board Meeting. Comments on agenda items will be heard at the start of the Board Meeting.

Minutes:

Katie Lewman, Citizen: 4529 S Brooklawn Dr, New Palestine; Topic of Discussion: Corporation name change.

4 Consideration of Routine Business

Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President

4.1 Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President

- a. Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated February 8, 2024.
- b. Regular Meeting Minutes dated February 12, 2024.
- c. Executive Session Minutes dated February 22, 2024.
- d. Executive Session Minutes dated February 23, 2024.
- e. Executive Session Minutes dated February 24, 2024.
- f. Executive Session Minutes dated March 5, 2024.
- g. Executive Session Minutes dated March 6, 2024.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haerberle asked for a motion to approve Minutes as presented. Dr. Ackerman moved to approve Minutes as presented. Mr. McKinney seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Seconded: Mr. Brian McKinney

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Attachments:

[Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated Feb 8 2024.pdf](#)

[Regular Meeting Minutes dated Feb 12 2024.pdf](#)

[Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated Feb 22 2024.pdf](#)

[Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated Feb 23 2024.pdf](#)
[Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated Feb 24 2024.pdf](#)
[Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated Mar 5 2024.pdf](#)
[Executive Session Meeting Minutes dated Mar 6 2024.pdf](#)

4.2 **Personnel Report**

Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President

a. Personnel Report dated March 11, 2024.
 Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haerberle asked for a motion to approve the Personnel Report. Mr. McKinney moved to approve the Personnel Report as presented. Mr. Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Brian McKinney

Seconded: Mr. Dan Walker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Attachments:

[Personnel Report dated Mar 11 2024.pdf](#)

4.3 **Claims and Finances**

Sarah Gizzi, Assisted Business Manager

a. Payroll Claims dated February 16, 2024.
 b. Payroll Claims dated March 1, 2024.
 c. Claims dated February 29, 2024.
 d. Claims dated March 11, 2024.
 Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haerberle asked for a motion to approve Claims and Finances. Dr. Ackerman moved to approve Claims and Finances as presented. Mr. McKinney seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Seconded: Mr. Brian McKinney

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Attachments:

- [Payroll Claims dated Feb 16 2024.pdf](#)
- [Payroll Claims dated Mar 1 2024.pdf](#)
- [Claims dated for Feb 29 2024.pdf](#)
- [Claims dated Mar 11 2024.pdf](#)

4.4 Donations

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

- a. John Lytell Agency & Central Indiana Communication, Inc. aka Nine Star have issued checks to NPHS for \$500.00 and \$250.00. They would like to donate the checks to the NPHS Service Learning class project for Southern Hancock Schools music programs.
- b. Christopher Dawalt has issued a check in the amount of \$1,879.00 to the NPHS Robotics Program.
- c. A donation in the amount of \$125.00 for the Summer Enrichment Program was received from Ashley McDonald, who elected to have her uncashed refund check donated back to the school.
- d. NPE has received a donation in the amount of \$100.00 from Psi Iota Xi. They have asked that the donation be applied to the organizations most pressing need.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to approve Donations. Mr. Walker moved to approve Donations as presented. Dr. Ackerman seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dan Walker

Seconded: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

4.5 Robotics World Competition Field Trip

Mr. Jim Voelz, NPHS Principal and Mr. Dave Post, NPHS Robotics Coach

Mr. Voelz and Mr. Post are requesting approval for the NPHS robotics teams to travel to Dallas, TX April 24-27, 2024.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to approve the field trip request. Mr. McKinney moved to approve the request as presented. Dr. Ackerman seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Brian McKinney

Seconded: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Attachments:

[NPHS Robotics April 24-27 2024.pdf](#)

4.6 **NPJH Music Department End of the Year Field Trip**

Mrs. Jessica Neill, NPJH Principal and Mr. Andrew Wilson, NPJH Band Director

Mrs. Neill is requesting permission for the NPJH Music Department to travel to Mason, OH and visit Kings Island for an end of the year reward trip and celebration.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to approve the field trip request. Mr. McKinney moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Brian McKinney

Seconded: Mr. Dan Walker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Attachments:

[NPJH Kings Island May 28 2024.pdf](#)

5 Unfinished Business

Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President

5.1 Second Reading of Policies

Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member

a. C450- Drug Prevention & Drug Testing- Approval of Policy C450 will delete Neola Policy 5530.

b. H250-School Library Material Removal Request Procedure

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haerberle asked for a motion to approve the second reading of policies. Dr. Ackerman moved to approve the second reading of policies as presented. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Seconded: Mr. Dan Walker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Attachments:

[C450-Drug Prevention Drug Testing.pdf](#)

[H250 School Library Material Removal Request Procedure-First Reading on Feb 12 2024.pdf](#)

5.2 Corporation Name Change Request

Dr. Lisa Lantrip, Superintendent

Dr. Lantrip is requesting Board consideration for changing the corporation name from Community School Corporation of Southern Hancock County to New Palestine Community Schools.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haerberle asked for a motion to approve the corporation name change. Mr. Walker moved to approve the name change as presented. Mr. Hooker seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0. Mrs. Haerberle acknowledged the name change is a big deal and paused the meeting to read a prepared statement.

We feel this change not only better reflects our geographical location, but also represents our identity as one community representing both Sugar Creek and Brandywine townships. This change is more than just a modification of our corporation logo and signage, it is a symbol of our dedication of the future of our school corporation. The new name brings together the corporation's rich history that has defined us, while embracing opportunities ahead. We appreciate the community's continued support and we look forward to moving into the future together as New Palestine Community Schools.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dan Walker

Seconded: Mr. Jon Hooker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

6 New Business

Mrs. Laura Haerberle, Board President

6.1 Update to the 2024-2025 Master Calendar

Mr. Miles Hercamp, Director of Instructional Services

Mr. Hercamp will request board approval to move the scheduled February 2025 E-Learning Day to April 2025.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haerberle asked for a motion to approve the scheduled February 2025 E-Learning Day to April 2025. Mr. McKinney moved to approve the date change as requested. Mr. Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Brian McKinney

Seconded: Mr. Dan Walker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

X

Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary

X

6.2 Walker Career Center & Technical Education Programs Operating Agreement

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Assistant Business Manager

Mrs. Gizzi will present the Walker Career Center Technical Education Programs Operating Agreement for 2024-2025.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to approve the Walker Career Center Technical Education Programs Operating Agreement. Mr. Walker moved to approve the agreement as presented. Dr. Ackerman seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Attachments:

[CTE Operating Agreement.pdf](#)

6.3 Approval of School Safety Specialists

Mr. Miles Hercamp, Director of Instructional Services

Mr. Hercamp is requesting approval of the 2024-2024 School Safety Specialists.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to approve the 2024-2025 School Safety Specialists. Dr. Ackerman moved to approve the 2024-2025 School Safety Specialists as presented. Mr. Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Seconded: Mr. Dan Walker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Attachments:

[2023-2024 School Safety Specialists.pdf](#)

6.4 Rainy Day Fund Deposit

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Assistant Business Manager

It is recommended that the Board authorizes the deposit of the cash rent of the farm land on Gem Road, into the Rainy Day Fund.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to approve the deposit of the cash rent of the farm land on Gem Road into the Rainy Day Fund. Dr. Ackerman moved to approve the deposit as requested. Mr. McKinney seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Seconded: Mr. Brian McKinney

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

6.5 Sponsorship and Sports Medicine Agreement

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Assistant Business Manager

It is recommended that the Board approves the Sponsorship Agreement and Sports Medicine Agreement between Hancock Regional Hospital and Southern Hancock Community School Corporation.

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

It was decided to table the agreement until more information was available. Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to table the Sponsorship and Sports Medicine Agreement. Mr. McKinney moved to table the agreement at this time. Mr. Walker seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Tabled

Motioned: Mr. Brian McKinney

Seconded: Mr. Dan Walker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

X

Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary

X

Attachments:

[Sponsorship Agreement.pdf](#)

[Sports Medicine Agreement.pdf](#)

7 Reports

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

7.1 Annual Hancock County Public Library Update

Mr. Fred Fox, Hancock County Public Library Board Member and Mr. Dave Gray, Executive Director of Hancock County Public Library

Mr. Gray and Mr. Fox will present the Board with a Hancock County Public Library annual update.

Minutes:

Mr. Gray and Mr. Fox presented Hancock County Public Library annual update. No action required.

Attachments:

[2023 Library Update.pdf](#)

8 Professional Meetings

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Attached for review. No action is required.

Minutes:

No action required

Attachments:

[Professional Leave dated Mar 11 2024.pdf](#)

9 Informal Comments

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

The Board President may call for additional informal public comment at this time, if, in his/her judgement, time permits and more comment is warranted. The time limit for such comments will be set by the President, who may also permit the administration or Board to respond to these public comments at his/her discretion.

An informal comment form must be completed on the evening of the board meeting and submitted to the Secretary of the Board prior to the start of the meeting.

Minutes:

No Comments

10 Board Member Comments

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Minutes:

Mr. McKinney encouraged others to attend a robotics competition if they have not and expressed how impressive it is to see the imagination and creativity of the teams. Mr. Walker congratulated the boys basketball team and expressed how exciting it was attending the regional games. Mr. Hooker thanked everyone for allowing him to join the meeting virtually and thanked those who work on policy. Dr. Lantrip announced that the NPJH Archery team qualified for Nationals in Kentucky. Mrs. Eastes wanted to update the board since they passed the policy on random drug testing, that she and the high school administrators had a great meeting with executives from Community Fairbanks to discuss supportive measures that will be put into place and that they will be visiting the facility that will be utilized on April 3rd. Mrs. Haeberle shared that they are continuing the process of the superintendent search.

11 Adjournment

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Board approval is requested at this time.

Minutes:

Mrs. Haeberle asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. McKinney moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Ackerman seconded the motion. The vote passed 5-0.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Brian McKinney

Seconded: Dr. Matt Ackerman

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member	X		
Dr. Matt Ackerman, Board Vice President	X		
Mr. Dan Walker, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President	X		
Mr. Jon Hooker, Board Secretary	X		

Matt Ackerman

Jon Hooker

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