

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
NORTHEAST DUBOIS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

October 8, 2024

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Kelly Knies, President

Brennan Schepers, Vice-President

Shawn Dooley, Secretary

James W. Harris, Member

Jan M. Dodd, Member

NORTHEAST DUBOIS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

The Board will 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 is 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 is called to order at ____ pm by President, Mr. Kelly Knies.

ROLL CALL:

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

OFFICIAL GUESTS:

Mr. Clay Cummins, Attorney	_____
Mrs. DeAnn Meyer, Treasurer	_____
Mrs. Gretchen Brinkman, Deputy Treasurer	_____
Mr. Andy Chinn, Principal	_____
Mr. Ryan Case, Principal	_____
Mrs. Courtney Hopf, Principal	_____
Mrs. Tracy Gutsell, Assistant Principal	_____

NEWS MEDIA:

<u>NEWSPAPER</u>	
Daily Herald	_____
<u>RADIO</u>	
WITZ, WQKZ	_____
<u>TV</u>	
WJTS -TV	_____

UNOFFICIAL GUESTS: _____

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RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUESTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2024---146 It is recommended that the minutes of the September 17, 2024 Regular Board meeting be approved as presented.

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---147 **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

BUSINESS OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS

2024---148 **A. Vouchers**

It is recommended that Voucher #104619 through #104747 in Appendix #10 be approved as presented.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

It is recommended that the regular meeting be closed and the Lease Agreement Hearing be opened at ____pm.

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---149 **B. Lease Agreement Hearing**

The Lease Agreement Hearing was advertised on September 3, 2024, in *The Herald* and on the Corporation Webpage.

The School Corporation is funding this project through a lease financing, as it has done with other past construction/renovation projects. Lease financings are used by school corporations across the State of Indiana in order to borrow for renovation and construction. The Northeast Dubois Intermediate School building is currently subject to a financing lease. Therefore, we are amending that Lease to increase the lease rental due from the School Corporation. In exchange for the increased lease rental, the Building Corporation will use the bond proceeds to make the needed improvements to school facilities, including site improvements, and the purchase of equipment and technology. The increased lease rental (as shown as a maximum amount in the Fourth Amendment to Lease) will be sufficient to pay the principal and interest due to the bondholders.

The hearing is now open for comments from the public.

2024---150

C. Resolution Authorizing Execution of Fifth Amendment to Lease

As required by the School Leasing Statute (IC 20-47-3), after a hearing, the School Board must approve the Amendment to Lease and authorize the officers to execute such Agreement. This Lease is the agreement whereby the School Corporation will levy the required property tax to pay the lease payments. The lease payments will be paid to the Northeast Dubois County Middle School Building Corporation and used to pay the bondholders. Without the Lease, bondholders will have no assurance that the Northeast Dubois County Middle School Building Corporation will repay the bonds. The Lease is the mechanism by which the property tax collections can get to the bondholders.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

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D. Resolution Assigning Construction Bids

The Northeast Dubois Middle School Building Corporation will own portions of the Northeast Dubois Intermediate School building. The Northeast Dubois Middle School Building Corporation will also be the issuer of the bonds. The bond proceeds will be held by the trustee bank, and will be used to pay the contractors for the work done on the building. As a result, the construction bids and contracts will need to be with the Building Corporation because the Building Corporation will hold the money to pay the contractors. The School Corporation receives the bids and/or contracts and awards the bids and/or contracts under State law but then assigns those bids and/or contracts to the Building Corporation.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

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E. Resolution Authorizing Supplement to Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking and Issuing Bonds

The Securities and Exchange Commission requires that a school corporation enter into a First Supplement to Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking before it issues bonds. The School Corporation has previously entered into this type of agreement. The agreement requires that the School Corporation agree to timely provide certain financial information to the SEC's EMMA database (www.emma.msrb.org) and provide notice of any material events.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

It is recommended that the Lease Agreement Hearing be closed and the regular meeting be opened at _____pm.

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---153 **F. Capital Projects Fund Resolution**

We have advertised the 2025 budget on September 18, 2024 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 17, 2024. The Capital Projects Plan needs to be approved.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---154 **G. Bus Replacement Plan Resolution**

We have advertised the 2025 budget on September 18, 2024 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 17, 2024. The Bus Replacement Plan needs to be approved.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---155 **H. Resolution to Transfer**

Dr. Tara Rasche is 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 2025 for budget year 2025.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---156 **I. Rainy Day Transfer**

Dr. Tara Rasche is recommending that the Treasurer has the ability to make a transfer from Operations to Rainy Day for a total not to exceed \$50,000.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---157

J. Resolution Authorizing Tax Anticipation Warrants

Dr. Tara Rasche is requesting approval of the resolution authorizing tax anticipation warrants for 2025.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

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K. 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 2024 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 is recommended that the Superintendent, Treasurer, and Deputy Treasurer be given approval to make the transfers at the end of 2024 and give a copy of the transfers to the Board as soon as completed.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024---159

L. Appropriations Reductions Resolution

Dr. Tara Rasche is requesting the authority to lower appropriations where necessary to more accurately reflect expenditures July 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, on School Budget Form 4B-Line 5.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

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M. Teacher Contract

The Teacher Contract Agreement for the 2024-2025 school year needs to be approved.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2024--161

N. New Hire

Ms. Kelly Schmitt is recommending that Vic Betz and Tammy Schulthies be hired as Co-Head Girls Track Coaches beginning with the 2024-2025 school year.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

INFORMATION & REPORTS FOR THE BOARD

Jeep Spotlight

Resignations:

Angie Schepers-Assistant, NDIS
Adam Tompkins- Head Girls Track Coach

Important Dates:

October 11 - CCISD Flex Day, No School for Students
October 14-18 – Fall Break, No School
October 24- Fall Festival, NDJSHS 3:30pm-7:00pm
October 25- Armed Intruder/Reunification Drill

Weather INFO for cancellations and delays:

Parent Square information is on our website to receive text or email notifications.
Primary Sources – WITZ, WBDC, WQKZ, and, WFLQ French Lick
Secondary Sources – Channels 7, 14, & 25; & TV18
Also posted on their websites: WBDC www.wbdc.us, WFIE www.wfie.com

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

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LATE ITEMS

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ADJOURNMENT

It is recommended that the meeting be adjourned at _____ p.m.

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

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