

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 February 11, 2025, 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 February 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office. We will continue to livestream the meeting on Facebook Live.

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

The pledge to the flag was recited.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for February 25, 2025, Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, March 11, 2025, Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building, and March 25, 2025, Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

Public Recognition:

The recommendation to approve the \$100.00 donation from Christine and Troy Haupert for Northfield Girls Basketball Pink-out was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

The recommendation to approve the \$300.00 donation from Krom Farms for Northfield Girls Basketball Pink-out was approved upon a motion made by Matt Driscoll, a second by Christian Rosen, and unanimously carried.

School Recognition:

From Jay Snyder, principal at Northfield Jr/Sr High School. Congratulations to Elli Baker who became the 7th Lady Norse basketball 1000-point club member! Elli scored her 1000th point on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at Peru.

Congrats to the Northfield Wrestling Final 4: Cooper Good, Brayden Rice, Kameron Pratt, and Eli Gahl for all advancing from the Peru Regional last Saturday and will be wrestling this Saturday at the Fort Wayne Semi-State. Kameron Pratt and Eli Gahl came away as Regional Champions! Best of luck to these remaining 4 at the Fort Wayne Semi-State on Saturday.

Congratulations to Southwood wrestler Nolan Hiner for advancing to the Wrestling Semi-State.

Public Comment: (Agenda Items Only)

No comments were made.

The Regular Meeting Minutes from January 28, 2025, 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 Jeff Porter, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Payroll #14 was approved upon a motion made by Jeff Porter, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Financial Summary:

Dr. Kuhn shared the End of Month balance for January 2025.

Personnel Recommendations:

The recommendation to approve the employment of Jaycie Krom, Assistant Softball Coach at Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; Madison Bartoo, Volunteer Assistant Tennis Coach at Northfield Jr/Sr High School, effective immediately; Chase Sadler, Custodian, Southwood Jr/Sr High School, effective February 12, 2025, 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 commented on Senate Bill 1, the possibility of using SYNC days if we used up all of the eLearning waiver days, and the great news about increasing the ADM from October 1 to February 3 by 33 students.

Curriculum Report:

Tim Drake, Chief Academic Officer, reported on the ELA, K-5 Book Adoption update. The committee narrowed down the options to Wonders (McGraw-Hill) and Benchmark Advance (Benchmark Education). Over the next four weeks, parents and community members are invited to review the materials and share feedback. On March 14, 2025, Professional Development Day, the committee and teachers will make a final selection. After the final selection has been made, the final recommendation will be presented to the Board for approval.

New Business:

The recommendation to abandon the Social Media Claim was approved upon a motion made by Christian Rosen, a second by Matt Driscoll, and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business.

Board Policy:

No Board Policies.

Public Comment (All Items):

No Public Comment.

Items from Board Members:

No items from the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 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