

NORTHEAST DUBOIS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

The Board met 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	Absent
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
Mr. Chad Whitehead, 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: Dennis Rasche, Kim Miley, Andrea Rickelman, Jennifer Ashby,  
Ian Wilson

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD  
July 15, 2025

**RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUESTS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

2025---84 It was recommended that the minutes of the June 17, 2025 Regular Board meeting be approved as presented.

Motion by James W. Harris  
Seconded by Shawn Dooley  
Vote 4-0

2025---85 **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

Dr. Tara Rasche introduced Chad Whitehead as the new Northeast Dubois Elementary School Principal.

**BUSINESS OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS**

2025---86 **A. Vouchers**

It was recommended that Voucher #106018 through #106140 in Appendix #7 be approved as presented.

It was recommended that the vouchers be approved.

Motion by Brennan Schepers  
Seconded by James W. Harris  
Vote 4-0

2025---87 **B. New Hire**

Mr. Andy Chinn was recommending that Logan Dodd be hired as the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Science Teacher at the Northeast Dubois Jr/Sr High School.

It was recommended that Logan Dodd be hired.

Motion by Shawn Dooley  
Seconded by Brennan Schepers  
Vote 4-0

2025---88 **C. New Hire**

Mrs. Joyce Hulsman was recommending that Sarah Dearborn be hired as the Head Cook at the Northeast Dubois Intermediate School.

It was recommended that Sarah Dearborn be hired.

Motion by James W. Harris  
Seconded by Shawn Dooley  
Vote 4-0

2025---89

**D. New Hire**

Mr. Andy Chinn was recommending that Korrine Whitehead be hired as an assistant at the Northeast Dubois Jr/Sr High School.

It was recommended that Korrine Whitehead be hired.

Motion by Brennan Schepers  
Seconded by James W. Harris  
Vote 4-0

2025---90

**E. Supplemental Fees**

Mr. Andy Chinn had submitted additional Jr/Sr High School supplemental fees for the 2025-2026 school year.

It was recommended that the supplemental fees be approved.

Motion by Shawn Dooley  
Seconded by Brennan Schepers  
Vote 4-0

2025---91

**F. NDES Handbook**

Mr. Chad Whitehead had submitted changes to the Northeast Dubois Elementary School Student Handbook for the 2025-26 school year.

It was recommended that the changes be approved.

Motion by Brennan Schepers  
Seconded by James W. Harris  
Vote 4-0

2025---92

**G. NDIS Handbook**

Mr. Ryan Case had submitted changes to the Northeast Dubois Intermediate School Student Handbook for the 2025-26 school year.

It was recommended that the changes be approved.

Motion by Brennan Schepers  
Seconded by James W. Harris  
Vote 4-0

2025---93

**H. NDJSHS Handbook**

Mr. Andy Chinn had submitted changes to the Northeast Dubois Jr/Sr High School Student Handbook for the 2025-26 school year.

It was recommended that the changes be approved.

Motion by Brennan Schepers  
Seconded by James W. Harris  
Vote 4-0

2025---94

**I. Budget Calendar**

Dr. Tara Rasche has presented the 2026 Budget Timeline for approval.

It was recommended that the budget be approved.

Motion by Shawn Dooley  
Seconded by James W. Harris  
Vote 4-0

2025---95

**J. Cafeteria Prices**

Mrs. Joyce Hulsman was recommending that the Preschool meal prices for the 2025-2026 school year be as follows: breakfast- \$1.50 and lunch- \$2.25.

It was recommended that meal prices be approved.

Motion by Brennan Schepers  
Seconded by James W. Harris  
Vote 4-0

**INFORMATION & REPORTS FOR THE BOARD**

**NEOLA Policy Updates-first reading**

**Jeep Spotlight**

**Resignations:**

**Michelle Young- Corporation Nurse**

**Angel Gogel- Assistant, NDIS**

**Laura Betz- Assistant, NDIS**

**Important Dates:**

**July 21- Online Registration Begins**

**July 28- Registration 3:00 - 7:00pm**

**July 28- Open House All Schools, 4:30 - 6:30pm**

**July 29- Registration 8:00am - 3:00pm**

**August 4- Staff Orientation**

**August 6- First Day of School**

**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](http://www.wbdc.us), WFIE [www.wfie.com](http://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**

There were no late items.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Motion by       Shawn Dooley  
Seconded by     Brennan Schepers  
Vote               4-0

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

Board Member Information:

Kelly Knies- Initial date appointed-07/01/03; Current term expires-12/31/27; Appointed by- Hall Township, Allen Thewes

Brennan Schepers- Initial date appointed- 10/20/09; Current term expires- 12/31/25; Appointed by- Marion Township, Clarence Reckelhoff

Shawn Dooley- Initial date appointed- 01/01/20; Current term expires- 12/31/27; Appointed by- Harbison Township, Marvin Eisenhut

James W. Harris- Initial date appointed- 01/01/21; Current term expires-12/31/28; Appointed by-Columbia Township, Larry G. Hall

Jan M. Dodd- Initial date appointed- 01/01/23; Current term expires- 12/31/26; Appointed by-Dubois County Commissioners