

NORTHEAST DUBOIS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

The Board met in Executive Session at 6:00 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. This meeting was\ recorded for public record.



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 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	Present
	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	Absent
	Mrs. Tracy Gutgsell, Assistant Principal	Absent

NEWS MEDIA:	<u>NEWSPAPER</u>	
	Daily Herald	Absent
	<u>RADIO</u>	
	WITZ, WQKZ	Absent
	<u>TV</u>	
	WJTS -TV	Absent

UNOFFICIAL GUESTS: Ian Wilson, Jennifer Ashby, Cala Chinn

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 21, 2026

RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUESTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2026---47 It was recommended that the minutes of the March 16, 2026 Regular Board meeting be approved as presented.

Motion by Brennan Schepers
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

2026---48

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

The Superintendent Spotlight was AJ Hynes for his Sonnet.

BUSINESS OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS

2026---49

A. Vouchers

It was recommended that Voucher #107469 through #107643 in Appendix #5 be approved as presented.

It was recommended that the vouchers be approved.

Motion by Shawn Dooley
Seconded by Jan M. Dodd
Vote 5-0

2026---50

B. Calendar

The proposed calendar for the 2027-2028 school year needed to be approved.

It was recommended that the calendar be approved.

Motion by Jan M. Dodd
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

2026---51

C. Field Trip

Mrs. Nikki Haefling was requesting approval of a field trip for the AP Science classes to go to the Louisville Zoo in Louisville, KY on May 14, 2026. This is an out-of-state field trip which requires Board approval.

It was recommended that the field trip be approved.

Motion by Brennan Schepers
Seconded by Shawn Dooley
Vote 5-0

2026---52

D. Field Trip

Mr. Alex Zehr was requesting approval for the Boys' Golf team to attend a golf tournament in Terre Haute, IN on April 17, 2026 and April 18, 2026. This is an overnight field trip which requires Board approval. This field trip had been given prior verbal authorization.

It was recommended that the field trip be approved.

Motion by Shawn Dooley
Seconded by James W. Harris
Vote 5-0

2026---53

E. Summer Hours

Ms. Kelly Schmitt was requesting approval of the 2026 summer coaching hours.

It was recommended that the summer hours be approved.

Motion by Jan M. Dodd
Seconded by Brennan Schepers
Vote 5-0

INFORMATION & REPORTS FOR THE BOARD

Jeep Spotlight

Superintendent Spotlight

Resignations:

Susan Dewitte- NDIS Assistant
Cassidy Riecker- NDIS Assistant

Important Dates:

May 18, 2026- Senior Award Banquet, 9:00 am
May 19, 2026- NDIS Student Recognition Night, 5:00-7:00 pm
May 19, 2026- Board Meeting
May 21, 2026- Last day of School
May 23, 2026- NDJSHS Graduation, 4:00 p.m.

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, the recording is on the Corporation Facebook page, go to and search Northeast Dubois County School Corporation.

2026---54

LATE ITEMS #1

Mrs. Traci Wineinger was requesting approval of a field trip for the FFA to compete in the State Convention and the Vet Med Contest in Indianapolis, IN on June 15, 2026 through June 18, 2026. This is an overnight field trip which requires Board approval.

It was recommended that the field trip be approved.

Motion by James W. Harris
Seconded by Shawn Dooley
Vote 5-0

2026---55

ADJOURNMENT

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned at 6:42 pm.

Motion by Jan M. Dodd
Seconded by Shawn Dooley
Vote 5-0

The Board met 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- 12/31/29; 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