REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
NORTHEAST DUBOIS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

October 27, 2026

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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 5:30 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. This meeting is recorded for public record.



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	_____
Mr. Chad Whitehead, Principal	_____
Mrs. Tracy Gutgsell, Assistant Principal	_____

NEWS MEDIA:

NEWSPAPER	
Daily Herald	_____
RADIO	
WITZ, WQKZ	_____
TV	
WJTS -TV	_____

UNOFFICIAL GUESTS: _____

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RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUESTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2026---130 It is recommended that the minutes of the September 15, 2026 Regular Board meeting be approved as presented.

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---131 **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

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BUSINESS OFFICE RECOMMENDATIONS

2026---132 **A. Vouchers**

It is recommended that Voucher #108477 through #108694 in Appendix #11 be approved as presented.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---133 **B. Fall Budget Hearing Resolution**

Dr. Tara Rasche is requesting approval of the Fall Budget Hearing Resolution.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---134 **C. Capital Projects Fund Resolution**

We have advertised the 2027 Capital Projects Plan in Gateway and on the Corp webpage on August 19, 2026. The Public Hearing for the Capital Projects Plan was held on September 15, 2026. The Capital Projects Plan needs to be approved.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---135 **D. Bus Replacement Plan Resolution**

We have advertised the 2027 Bus Replacement Plan in Gateway and on the Corporation webpage on August 19, 2026. The Public Hearing for the Bus Replacement Plan was held on September 15, 2026. The Bus Replacement Plan needs to be approved.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---136 **E. Resolution Authorizing Tax Anticipation Warrants**

Dr. Tara Rasche is requesting approval of the resolution authorizing tax anticipation warrants for 2027.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---137 **F. 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 2027 for budget year 2027.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---138 **G. 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 $75,000.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---139 **H. 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 2026 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, transfers 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 2026 and give a copy of the transfers to the Board as soon as completed.

It is recommended that _____
Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---140 **I. Fundraisers**

Ms. Kelly Schmitt has submitted a list of Athletic fundraisers for the 2026-2027 school year.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---141 **J. Field Trip**

Mrs. Amanda Johnson is requesting approval for the Spirit Club to attend a field trip to Henderson City High School in Henderson, KY on October 30, 2026. This is an out-of-state field trip which needs Board approval.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---142 **K. Field Trip**

Mrs. Amanda Johnson is requesting approval for the BPA to attend a field trip to Top Golf in Louisville, KY on November 10, 2026. This is an out-of-state field trip which needs Board approval.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---143 **L. Field Trip**

Mrs. Jamie Strange is requesting approval for the Drama Club to attend a field trip to New York City, NY on June 12-16, 2026. This is an out-of-state field trip which needs Board approval.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---144 **M. Teacher Contract**

The Teacher Contract Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year needs to be approved.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---145 **N. Classified Salaries**

The pay increases for our Classified staff for the 2026-2027 school year have been given to the board for approval.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---146 **O. New Hire**

Ms. Kelly Schmitt is recommending Ian Denu be hired as the Girls Varsity Softball Coach.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

2026---147 **P. New Hire**

Ms. Kelly Schmitt is recommending Talia Myrick be hired as the Girls Varsity Tennis Coach.

It is recommended that _____

Motion by _____
Seconded by _____
Vote _____

INFORMATION & REPORTS FOR THE BOARD

Neola Policy Updates- 1st Reading

Resignation:

Tina Terwiske- Girls Varsity Tennis Coach
Jason Braunecker- Maintenance

Important Dates:

November 10- Professional Development Day, No 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, *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---148 **LATE ITEMS**

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2026---149 **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

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- Initital 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