

METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY  
(Bd. of Education Meeting ----- May 9, 1960)

The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 9, 1960, at 8:00 p.m. CDT in the Administrative office.

All Board members were present as well as the following: Mr. Crawford, Supt.; Mr. Charles Roberts, Asst. Supt.; Lloyd Hutchinson, high school Principal; William Wilson, Director of Elementary Education; and Ralph Schuler, School Attorney.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MR. BECKERMAN, CHAIRMAN.

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Matz and seconded by Williams to accept the minutes of the April 25 meeting as written after correction. Motion carried.

BILLS AND CLAIMS:

Regular claims -- Nos. 992 to 1018 -- and payroll claims -- Nos. 29 to 35 -- were presented for approval. Motion was made by Kemmerling and seconded by Williams to authorize payment of the claims. Motion carried.

FUEL OIL, COAL, GASOLINE BIDS:

Bids to furnish coal for the Cynthiana, Griffin, Poseyville schools and to Poseyville gym during the school year 1960-'61 were opened. Tabulation of the bids is as follows:

Coal

Bidder	Quoted price per bushel			
	Cynthiana	Griffin	Poseyville School	Poseyville Gym
West Coal and Lime	30	35.8	33.3	30
Reising	31.5	36.3	34.3	31.5
Marvin Titzer	37.0	41.0		37.0

Motion was made by Kemmerling and seconded by Williams to award the contract for furnishing coal at the above-named schools during the school year 1960-'61 to West Coal and Lime Co. Motion carried.

Bids to furnish fuel oil at the South Terrace school and the high school for the school year 1960-'61 were opened and tabulation of the bids is as follows:

Fuel Oil

Bidder	Cost per gallon			
	S. Terr.	HS No. 2	HS No. 5	Remarks
Herb Cox				
Centralia Oil Co.	.1137 (G)	.1137 (G)	.0917 (G)	.0837 (TW)
Std. Oil Co.	.0972 (TW)	.121 (TW)	.10092 TW	
Herb Cox	.104 (TW)	.104 (TW)	-----	
				TW = based on tank wagon price today
				G = guaranteed price.

Motion was made by Matz, seconded by Kemmerling to award the contract for furnishing fuel oil at the South Terrace school and the No. 5 oil at the high school for the year 1960-'61 to Standard Oil Company; and the No. 2 fuel oil at the high school to Herb Cox. Motion carried.

Bids for gasoline to be used by school buses which are owned by the school corporation during the 1960-'61 school year were opened. Tabulations of the bids are as follows:

Gasoline

Bidder	Cost per gallon based on tank wagon price	
Herb Cox		21.8
Farm Bureau		21
Standard Oil		19.1

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Motion was made by Williams, seconded by Kemmerling, to award gasoline contracts to Standard Oil Co. on posted tank wagon price. Motion carried. It was suggested that prices on gasoline tanks and installation of tanks at the Cynthiana, Poseyville, and South Terrace schools be obtained separately and prices also be solicited from oil companies to furnish and install such tanks, tanks to be purchased by the school corporation. It is understood that the successful bidder on gasoline will furnish gasoline pumps. Motion was made by Kemmerling, seconded by Lowe, to decide on seven guage tanks, Mr. Roberts to get estimates on tanks and installations.

#### SUMMER EDUCATION:

A proposed program for summer education as worked out in detail was submitted by Mr. Wilson for approval. It was suggested that public-owned school buses be made available for use of the children on field trips and swimming excursions -- children to pay for the cost of gas and drivers. Motion was made by Lowe, seconded by Williams, to accept the proposed summer education program and to allow the use of school buses for transportation of children on swimming and field trips. Motion carried. (A copy of the proposed program is attached.)

#### REQUEST FOR PAY:

Requests which were submitted by Mr. Wayne Sharp and Mrs. Mildred Gilmore asking that they be paid the total balance of salary due on their teaching contracts at the end of the school year, were presented. It was pointed out that the teachers' salary schedule and policy provides for this arrangement with approval of the Board. Motion was made by Williams, seconded by Kemmerling to grant authority to pay the balance of the salary at the end of the school year to Wayne Sharp and Mildred Gilmore, and it was explained that teachers who resign or are dismissed were entitled to their full salary without Board approval but that such teachers were being asked how they wished to be paid.

#### RESIGNATION:

A resignation was submitted from Mrs. Velsa Saalwachter who is retiring at the close of this school year. Motion was made by Kemmerling and seconded by Williams, to accept Mrs. Saalwachter's resignation. Motion carried.

#### REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE -- GOERGES:

A request for leave of absence was submitted from Mr. Goerges asking that he be granted leave of absence without loss of pay to attend an educational conference at Purdue University on May 12, 13 and 14. Motion was made by Lowe and seconded by Williams to grant the request. Motion carried.

#### REQUEST FOR USE OF GRIFFIN SCHOOL GYM:

Mr. Crawford reported that he had received a verbal request to permit the use of the Griffin school gym by a minister of the Church of Christ from Evansville for the purpose of holding a two-week revival meeting. It was stated, however, that a tent had been erected in the town of Griffin for this, according to reports, and that there was a possibility the request for the use of the gym would not be pressed further. Members of the Board indicated that they were not in favor of granting permission to use the gym at Griffin for this purpose. Mr. Matz reported that he had been approached concerning the use of the gym for an alumni banquet at the Griffin school. It was indicated that since this would be considered a school affair, there would be no need to take any action.

#### REPORT ON APPLICATION UNDER TITLE III:

A report concerning the application for government funds under Title III for Science and Math equipment was submitted by Mr. Crawford. (A copy of this report is attached.) It was pointed out that while approval had been received on the Math application, it had not yet come through for Science. It was also stated that additional equipment would need to be purchased in order to take full advantage of the approval listing on this application and that such equipment was in the process of being listed at the present time.

#### TEACHER SALARY PROPOSAL FOR 1960-'61:

A delegation of teachers appeared before the Board in the interest of salary schedules for 1960-'61. The following persons were present: Roy Goerges - Wayne Sharp - Billy Loveless - Leonard Mauck - Neval Willis. Mr. Loveless presented the material and explained the proposal. He stated that the proposed salary schedule would enable the school corporation to remain in its relative position salary-wise as compared to the other corporations throughout the state with the same population range as ours. He also stated that according to his computations the proposal would amount to an additional 20¢ on the school tax rate. No action was taken in regard to the salary proposal. (A copy of the proposed salary schedule is attached.)

Motion was made by Williams, seconded by Kemmerling, to adjourn at 10:30 p.m.

Chairman

*W. B. Williams*

REPORT ON APPLICATION FOR GOVERNMENT FUNDS FOR SCIENCE AND MATH.:

Application for government funds for mathematics and science equipment were filed with the State Director of Title III on April 29. These applications are twelve-page questionnaires in addition to the inventory and request lists. Inventory and request lists were prepared with the cooperation of teachers in the high school.

The following chart shows the dollar value of request and subsequent approval:

	<u>Mathematics</u>	Total	Local Share	Govt. Share
Request for approval -----	\$ 4,231.55	\$ 2115.77	\$ 2115.78	
Actual approval -----	829.65	414.83	414.82	

	<u>Science</u>		
Request for approval -----	26,257.79	13,128.90	13,128.89
Actual approval -----			
(Not yet recd.)			

The state committee is made up of persons who were selected for their knowledge and understanding of equipment needs in relationship to enrollments, type of curriculum, etc.

Furniture which is of general type is not approved. This is a general rule. Specific items which, in the judgment of the committee would not be practical and useful in the particular school, are subject to deletion; for example, a mathematics typewriter.

New applications for science and math. can be for the 1961 program can be filed after September 1, 1960.

Application can also be filed at that time for elementary math., and science, and modern foreign language for elementary and high school can also be filed at that time. This application was not filed in 1960 because no program of purchasing was followed.

Claims for the purchases covered by the current applications and approval can be made after June 30, 1960 or at such time as purchasing is completed.

METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY  
(Board of Education Meeting -- May 23, 1960.)

MINUTES

The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 23rd, 1960, at 7:30 P.M., in the Administrative Office.

All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance at the meeting were: William Wilson, Dir. of El. Ed.; Lloyd Hutchinson, Principal; Charles Roberts, Asst. Supt.; Eldon R. Crawford, Supt. of Schools. Also, Ralph Schuler, Attorney; O. H. Bowman, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Reynolds, and Keith Meredith.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY GEORGE HECKERMAN, CHAIRMAN.

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Williams, seconded by Matz, to accept minutes of May 11th meeting as written. Motion carried.

BILLS & CLAIMS:

Claims Nos. 1019-1042 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Kemmerling, seconded by Williams, to authorize payment of the bills. Motion carried.

SCHOOL NURSE REPORT:

Copies of the condensed summary of the School Nurse's activities for the 1959-60 school year were distributed to Board members and discussed.

CONTRACTS:

- (a) A contract agreement with the Poseyville Kiwanis Club for the use of the Athletic Field at the Poseyville School during the summer in the sponsorship of the Kiwanis softball program was presented. Motion was made by Kemmerling, seconded by Williams, to authorize the signing of the contract.
- (b) A proposed service contract for maintenance of temperature control equipment at the South Terrace School was presented. The proposal was submitted by The Minneapolis-Honeywell Service Office from Evansville, and stipulated that the equipment would be cleaned, lubricated, and adjusted by an expert technician at a cost of \$7.00 per hour. Mr. Crawford explained that the representative had estimated the job could be done in one day. Motion was made by Matz, seconded by Williams, to authorize the signing of the proposed service contract.

LAWN MOWER - GAS TANK ESTIMATES:

Mr. Roberts reported that he did not have estimates as yet on these items.

FOSTER REQUEST:

A letter from J. D. Foster was presented. The letter stated that he planned to attend summer school on a scholarship grant for a period of four weeks beginning June 13. He stated that the first three weeks of this time would be on his vacation and suggested that the fourth week could be considered as a part of next school year's vacation, or could be deducted from his salary. There was some discussion in regard to the 3-week vacation; also in regard to the summer program of Vocational Agriculture. The Superintendent stated that there was no detailed outline of Mr. Foster's summer program on file and that no mention of vacation time was made in the contract.

Motion was made by Kemmerling and seconded by Williams that Mr. Foster be granted the four-week leave of absence, as requested in his letter, without loss of pay, and that he be asked to prepare a written outline of his summer program. Motion carried.

BOWMAN REPORT:

O. H. Bowman reported on the progress and status of the Veterans-on-the-farm training program. He stated that veterans' entitlements would be reduced to seven or eight beginning July 1st and would not justify a full-time program. He stated that he would like to continue with the group on a part-time basis and teach part time in the high school if it could be arranged. He also stated that if he could be employed full time as a regular teacher, he would continue with the veterans' program and expect for remuneration, only the amount received by the school system from the veterans.

The Board decided to take this problem under advisement until the next meeting.

ADVANCE DRAW:

The Superintendent explained that the special school balance was not sufficient to cover the claims due during the month of May, and requested permission to ask for an advance draw against the June tax distribution for sufficient funds to meet

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the May obligations and the estimated June obligations. He explained that this situation was the result of State Tax Board action on the 1960 budget. Motion was made by Lowe and seconded by Williams to authorize the request of an advance draw against the June tax distribution for the special school fund in the amount of \$9,000.00.

#### TEACHERS' VACANCIES:

It was pointed out that:

- (a) Five teachers had been released from the high school including one leave of absence for the 1960-61 year.
- (b) Subject fields involved in these releases were: (1) science-math.; (2) home ec.; (3) Jr. High English; (4) commerce; and (5) art.
- (c) That a number of applications have been received from prospective teachers interested in certain of these vacancies.
- (d) That some decision should be made in regard to the total number of people in the high school staff prior to making recommendations.
- (e) That a prior recommendation had suggested a staff of 22 which would provide a full-time Principal, a full-time librarian, an equivalent of two half-time counselors, and one full-time instructor for each 25 students in school.
- (f) That a modern foreign language, probably Spanish, should be introduced if a teacher could be obtained.

Discussion was followed by a motion by Lowe and seconded by Matz to:

- (a) Employ sufficient teachers to bring the total staff up to the same number employed in 1959-60. This is an equivalent of 25.5.
- (b) To make every effort to find a teacher qualified to teach Spanish.

The motion carried.

#### SALARY REQUEST:

A preliminary study and estimate of the additional cost of the salary proposal submitted by the teachers for 1960-61 was presented. The estimate indicated an additional cost of \$34,000 to \$36,000 which would amount to 36¢ to 38¢ on the 1961 tax rate.

#### SURVEY ATHLETIC FIELD:

The question was raised as to whether any progress had been made toward getting the area on the high school site surveyed in preparation to development of the outdoor athletic facilities. Mr. John Leffel, County Surveyor, was contacted by telephone, and stated that he would begin the work on Tuesday, May 24th.

#### MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR:

The matter of employment of a maintenance supervisor was brought up. It was suggested that persons who are interested be asked to submit written applications. It was also suggested that the Board should determine a salary for this work and that a description of the job, outlining the duties and responsibilities, be prepared.

Mr. Roberts was instructed to work on this matter in conjunction with the incoming Superintendent.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KEMMERLING AND SECONDED BY WILLIAMS TO ADJOURN AT 10:30 P.M.  
Motion carried.

Signed:

George Heckerman, Chairman

*Virgil B. Williams*  
Virgil B. Williams, Secretary