

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OF EDUCATION OF THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL  
DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA,

Held September 11, 1967

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the office of the Superintendent of Schools at the hour of 7:30 p.m., with board members Tenison, Wade, Meredith, Hall and Fletchall present. Also attending were Superintendent Hollen and Attorney Schuler.

The meeting was called to order by President Tenison, who presided. Minutes of the regular meeting of August 28, 1967, and of the special meeting of August 31, 1967, were read to the board and approved as read.

Claims No. 910 through No. 934, inclusive, in the total amount of \$1,612.87 were presented to the board for consideration, and following a discussion, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, were approved by the board and ordered paid.

Mrs. Paul Huck appeared before the board to present a complaint due to the fact that her children frequently must stand in the bus, particularly in the morning, between her home and the high school. A discussion was had during which the Superintendent explained the problems involved in bus re-routing, and indicated that he had ordered a reshuffling of five different bus routes, involving three hundred students, in an effort to relieve the problem. He stated that he could not guarantee that this would be a solution but it was an effort in that direction.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the board approved the hiring of Mrs. Venita Nottingham as kindergarten aide at Cynthiana, for employment during the noon hour.

In regard to the opening of school, the Superintendent reported that enrollment in Kindergarten through Sixth Grade was 826, an increase of 42, and in the Jr-Sr High School 684, an increase of 24, for a total enrollment of 1510, with an increase of 66. He indicated that there were various problems in transportation, and that efforts were being made to solve these by shifting of bus routes. He also stated that the increased enrollment necessitated the purchase of additional furniture and that he proposed to purchase an additional room of furniture for the elementary system and for the Jr-Sr high school.

The Superintendent reported that the insurance representative had made an inspection of all the buildings and found only one possible defect, that in the safety valve on the boiler in the gymnasium, which would be replaced.

The hearing was held on the emergency appropriation on Monday, September 11, 1967, and the Superintendent reported that between the time of publication and the time of hearing it became evident that only \$6,000.00 would be needed in the Tuition Fund, so that appropriation was reduced \$5,000.00 from the original \$11,000.00 requested. He further reported that the hearing representative indicated probable approval of the appropriation.

The board was advised that the annual school bus inspection was scheduled for September 20, 1967, at one o'clock, p.m., at the Poseyville School, at which time all but the new busses would be inspected, those having been inspected prior to being placed into service.

Following a discussion, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 9:15 p.m.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE METROPOLITAN  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY,  
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Held September 25, 1967

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 25th day of September, 1967, with board members Wade, Tenison, Meredith, Hall and Fletchall present. Also attending were Superintendent Hollen and Attorney Schuler.

The meeting was called to order by President Tenison, who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of September 11, 1967, were read to the board and upon motion by Fletchall, seconded by Hall and unanimously carried, were approved as read.

Claims No. 936 through No. 953 in the total amount of \$918.29, were presented to the board for consideration, and upon motion by Wade, seconded by Fletchall and unanimously carried, were approved by the board and ordered paid.

The Superintendent explained to the board his belief that it would be wise for the district to appeal the ten cent tax levy reduction made by the County Adjustment Board, and explained that this was done by a petition addressed to the Indiana Board of State Tax Commissioners. Following a general discussion in which it was pointed out that the reduction as made by the County Adjustment Board was done without explanation as required by law, and further that the reduction would result in a loss of revenue which would be detrimental to the school district, upon motion duly made by Hall, seconded by Fletchall and carried, the following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools, Ivan A. Hollen, and the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, by its President and by its members, shall appeal to the Indiana State Board of Tax Commissioners the reduction and tax levy made by the County Adjustment Board of Posey County, Indiana, in order that the General Fund may be increased from the amount of \$3.50 set by the County Tax Adjustment Board to the amount of \$3.60, as originally budgeted by this district and is needed for the operation of the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a petition be prepared setting forth the request of this district for the increase of tax levy as indicated herein, and that the same be filed with the Indiana State Board of Tax Commissioners forthwith."

The Superintendent reported to the Board on the efforts made to solve the transportation problem involving the Huch children, and indicated that although efforts were made to arrange the bus scheduling of several different busses in order to insure seats for the Huch children, it resulted in delays and inconveniences such as made it impossible for the rearrangement to continue, and that thus routing and scheduling was restored to the original system, and that the driver was instructed to ask one of the older boys to yield his seat to the Huch girl in order that she would not have to stand the distance to school.

The F. F. A. requested the use of additional land at the Jr-Sr High School for its farming project, and following a discussion, the board determined that representatives of the F. F. A. should meet with the board on October 9, 1967, in order to attempt

to work out some arrangement whereby the F. F. A. would farm as tenant for the school district.

The Superintendent gave the school enrollment report as of September 22, 1967, as follows:

|                  | <u>Cynthiana</u> | <u>Poseyville</u> | <u>South Terrace</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Kindergarten     | 29               | 52                | 56                   | 137          |
| First Grade      | 24               | 38                | 56                   | 118          |
| Second Grade     | 19               | 32                | 47                   | 97           |
| Third Grade      | 22               | 31                | 54                   | 108          |
| Fourth Grade     | 22               | 37                | 60                   | 119          |
| Fifth Grade      | 20               | 33                | 61                   | 114          |
| Sixth Grade      | 24               | 38                | 57                   | 119          |
| Total Elementary | 160              | 261               | 391                  | 812          |

Jr-Sr High School

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|-------------------------|------------|
| Seventh Grade           | 112        |
| Eighth Grade            | 113        |
| Ninth Grade             | 128        |
| Tenth Grade             | 122        |
| Eleventh Grade          | 124        |
| Twelfth Grade           | 85         |
|                         | <u>684</u> |
| TOTAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENT | 1496       |

A request was received from the St. Francis School to use facilities at the Poseyville Gym for basketball practice at odd times when the gym was not being used by the Metropolitan School District. Following a discussion, the Superintendent was authorized to offer the use of the facilities to the St. Francis School whenever it might be scheduled without interfering with the operations of the district.

The request of Lloyd Hutchinson, Principal, was received, to the effect that he be permitted to be absent from school for periods of one day or less from time to time upon authorization by the Superintendent, and without the two weeks prior notice to the Board of Education as required by existing rules. Following a discussion in which it was pointed out that often meetings were scheduled at which the school should be represented by the principal, which did not allow sufficient time for the two weeks request to be given, upon motion by Wade and seconded by Hall and carried, the request was granted with the amount of absences to be regulated by the Superintendent.

There then followed a discussion as to the needs of construction of a Junior High School, and a possible Elementary School, and the methods of financing the same and the procedure to be used in the construction. The Superintendent was instructed to secure a list of possible architects, as well as information on schools which had been designed and constructed under the direction of the various architects in order that inspection of these could be made by the board.

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at the hour of ten o'clock, p.m.

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