

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

Held December 12, 1977

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 12th day of December, 1977, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock, p.m., with Board Members Eisterhold, Newman, Hall, Staples, and Tenison present. Also attending were Superintendent Brenton and Administrative Assistant Rapp.

The meeting was called to order by President Eisterhold who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of November 28, 1977, were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims No. 442-498 in the total amount of \$43,403.71 were presented to the Board for consideration, and upon motion duly made by Tenison, seconded by Staples and unanimously carried were approved by the Board and ordered paid.

South Terrace Addition

Mr. Brenton informed the Board that he had contacted Wally Givens, the architect, concerning the completion date of the South Terrace Addition. The Superintendent read a letter of the Board in which Mr. Givens estimated the completion date to be January 31, 1978. Mr. Brenton stated he would respond to Mr. Givens' letter in the near future requesting an earlier completion date if at all possible.

Athletic Field Lighting

Mr. Rapp reported to the Board that he had consulted with Robert Ice, Director of School House Planning, and Edward Zarse of the Department of School Finance, and with Mr. Schuler, the Board Attorney, as to whether or not an architect or engineer should approve plans for the installation of tennis and baseball lights at the High School. He indicated that each reported that such approval was not required by law.

Upon motion duly made by Hall, seconded by Newman and unanimously carried, the Superintendent was directed to advertise for bids for the installation of tennis and baseball lights at the High School. Bids will be received on January 23, 1978, at 7:30 p.m. in the office of the Superintendent.

FFA Financial Report

A financial report from the FFA Chapter stating their expenses and income from August, 1976, to November, 1977, was presented to the Board. Following a discussion, it was the decision of the Board not to pay the bill in the amount of \$100.00 from Nix Motor Sales as requested by Mr. Burgess, the Chapter Advisor.

Harper Farming Agreement

Mr. Brenton explained to the Board the damage that had been done to the corn plot east of the North Elementary School due to drainage from North Elementary and the installation of the sewer line across the area. It was pointed out that Mr. Harper had built a levy to improve the drainage. It was the Board's decision to sow rye or fescue in the area the last of February or early in March, 1978.

School Calendar

It was the decision of the Board to amend the school calendar to provide that January 2, 1978 would be a non-school day.

State Superintendents' Meeting

The Board approved the request of Mr. Brenton and Mr. Rapp to attend the State Superintendents' Annual Meeting in Indianapolis on December 14 and 15, 1977.

Transportation

Mr. Rapp reported to the Board the problem the weather caused in deciding whether to open school on Thursday, December 8, 1977. Mr. Rapp was instructed to secure estimates on the cost of equipping the bus fleet with CB radios and inform the Board on their next meeting date. Upon request by Mr. Rapp, the Board agreed that persons living outside the school district and applying for employment as bus drivers would be considered.

Barton's Request

The Board approved Barton Disposal Company's request to increase the tonnage of the containers at the high school from 2 1/2 tons to 3 tons, thereby increasing the monthly service charge from \$180 to \$200.

Public Law 94-142

Mr. Rapp informed the Board that he and Mr. Brenton had met with Mr. Ashworth and Mr. Levin of Mt. Vernon, Mr. Miller of New Harmony, and Mr. Browning of the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation on November 29, 1977, to review the Local Educational Agency application for fiscal year 1978, the Education of the Handicapped Act, as amended by Public Law 94-142. Mr. Rapp explained to the Board that this district would begin compliance at the start of the 1978-79 school year.

Board-Administrative Dinner

Mr. Rapp discussed with the Board plans for the Board-Administrative dinner on the evening of January 7, 1978, to be held at the Executive Inn beginning at 5:30 p.m.

High School Principal Recommendation

The Superintendent recommended to the Board that John Wood be appointed Principal of both the Sr. High and Jr. High Schools for the remainder of the 1977-78 school year. He further recommended that Rodney Ely serve as Mr. Wood's Assistant

Principal over the Jr. and Sr. High Schools. This recommendation was accepted by the Board with a decision to evaluate the performance of both men at the end of the school year. The Board further set Mr. Wood's salary at \$21,650.00 and Mr. Ely's salary at \$18,000.00.

Board Meeting

Mr. Brenton reminded the Board that the next meeting would be held on December 19, 1977, at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Cynthiana State Bank Request

Mr. Brenton read a letter to the Board from Mr. Fleener, President of the Cynthiana State Bank, stating that the Board of Directors of the Cynthiana State Bank were requesting that they receive their fair share of the schools Public Funds on Deposit as authorized by Indiana law. Mr. Brenton further informed the Board that Mr. Fleener had enclosed a letter from Otis Allyn, Attorney for the Cynthiana State Bank, and a photocopy of the regulations for "Territorial Limits of Depositories and the Proportion for Deposit." The Board directed Mr. Brenton and Mr. Rapp to meet with the President of Farmers Bank & Trust Company and the Cynthiana State Bank and work out an agreement as to Public Funds on Deposit.

Pittman Appreciation Dinner

Mr. Brenton reminded the Board that Mr. Pittman's Appreciation Dinner would be at the High School on December 17, 1977 at 6:30 p.m.

Eudora Hopf's Request

The Board approved Eudora Hopf's request to take her vacation in October of 1978. It was pointed out that this request was tentative to her husband winning a trip to Hawaii through Ford Motor Company.

Attendance Report

Mr. Brenton reported to the Board that the attendance for the first 12 weeks of the school year was up to 98.08% as compared to 95.26% over the same period last year.

Scoliosis Screening

The Superintendent reported that scoliosis screening began at the Jr. High School today and that Mrs. Thompson, the school nurse, reported the screening process was working smoothly.

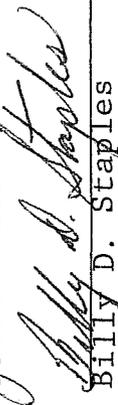
Following a further discussion of school matters, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:30 p.m.


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The meeting was called to order by President Eisterhold who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of December 12, 1977, were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims No. 499-517 in the amount of \$5,690.07 and a Title IVB Claim in the amount of \$31.03 was presented to the Board for consideration, and upon motion duly made by Hall, seconded by Tenison and unanimously carried were approved by the Board and ordered paid.

Interview of Kenneth E. Johnson

Retiring School Attorney, Ralph Schuler, introduced Kenneth E. Johnson to the Board and recommended that he be retained as School Attorney. Mr. Johnson gave a brief background summary of himself and indicated he would attend Board meetings in order to become familiar with the work of the Board. Following the interview, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board selected Kenneth E. Johnson as the next Attorney for the School Board.

South Terrace Update

Mr. Brenton reported that work had been completed on the installation of the heating units in the South Terrace Addition. He further reported that Mr. Givens indicated completion date would be January 31, 1978.

Transportation Report

Mr. Rapp presented price quotes on CB radios from Radio Shack and from Doug Patton. The Board instructed Mr. Rapp to check the efficiency of communication between a CB mobile unit installed in a bus and his home base station and make a further report to the Board at a later date. Mr. Rapp also reported that a new motor was being installed in Bus No. 19.

State Superintendents' Meeting

Mr. Brenton reported to the Board on the program of the Annual State Superintendents' Meeting that he and Mr. Rapp attended in Indianapolis on December 14 and 15, 1977.

Board-Administrative Dinner

Mr. Rapp reported that everything was in order for the Board-Administrative Dinner on the evening of January 7, 1978 to be held at the Executive Inn beginning at 5:30 o'clock p.m.

Scoliosis Screening

Mr. Brenton informed that Board that Mrs. Thompson, the school nurse, reported that the scoliosis screening project was near completion. He further stated he would make a final report to the Board on January 9, 1978.

Transfer Appropriation

The Superintendent reported to the Board that as was customary, he desired authority to make various transfers within the functional accounts of the budget to eliminate negative balances at the end of the year. These transfers are numerous and are detailed in the listing attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Approval for the transfers was given by the Board.

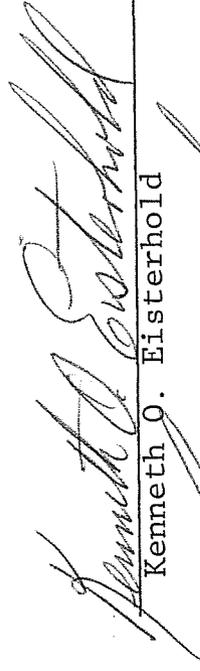
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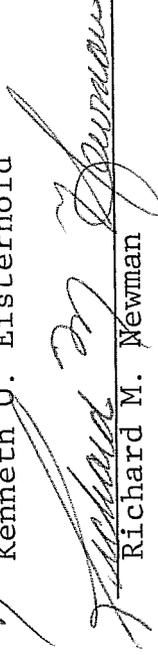
Mr. Brenton informed the Board that he would attend the additional appropriation hearing before the State Board of Tax Commissioners at Mt. Vernon at 10:30 a.m. on December 21, 1977.

Purchase of Coal

The Board approved Mr. Brenton's request to purchase 600 bushels of coal to be used for heating of the old Poseyville Gym.

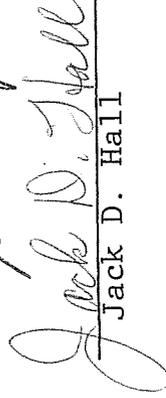
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