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

MAY 1, 1995

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the M.S.D. of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 1st day of May, 1995, at the hour of 6:15 P.M., with Board Members Baehl, Lewis, Mauck and Seibert, Superintendent Brenton and Administrative Assistant Rapp present.

The meeting was called to order by President Baehl, who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of April 10, 1995 were read to the board and approved as read.

Veazey, Parrott & Shoulders Architects

Scott Veazey, Tom Durkin and Connie Galloway of Veazey, Parrott and Shoulders Architects were present to review with the board the proposed remodeling and classroom construction at North Posey Jr.-Sr. High School and the air conditioning of all schools. Mr. Veazey reviewed the entire project proposed at the Jr. High School, which included new classrooms for regular classes and special education, a new nurse's office, principal's office, conference room, commons area and additional locker room areas which he estimated would cost \$2,650,000 to \$2,850,000. The air conditioning of North Posey Jr-Sr High School was estimated to run between \$1,300,000 to \$1,450,000, South Terrace - \$480,000 to \$530,000 and North Elementary \$450,000 to \$500,000.

Jeannie Wilderman was present and read a letter that she had sent to the board expressing her desire to see the auditorium at the high school made handicap accessible for her son, a student at North Posey High School who participates in chorus. A copy of the letter shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

There were ten concerned taxpayers present to hear the presentation and to ask questions following it. Mr. Brenton explained that by the end of 1996 the lease rental payments for South Terrace and North Elementary would be completed and the tax levy would be reduced. He further explained that the board would apply the reduction in the tax levy at that time for the proposed remodeling, classroom construction, and air conditioning of the schools.

Jim Droege stated the group was concerned about the tax rate and who would be paying the taxes in the future. Following a very open discussion between the board and the concerned taxpayers present, it was the decision of the board to delay any decisions as to what construction and remodeling would be made until a later meeting date to allow the board time to study the overall project and the impact it would have on the tax rate in the future.

Alcohol and Controlled Substance Testing Policy

On a motion made by Mauck, sconded by Seibert and unanimously carried, the Board approved the district's Alcohol and Controlled Substance Tesing Policy for Commercial Drivers Licence (CDL) employees and authorized the employment of Midwest Toxicology to administer the alcohol and controlled substance testing program as recommended by Mr. Rapp. A copy of the policy shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

I.S.B.A. District Board Meeting

Mr. Brenton reminded the board that the Spring Regional meeting of the I.S.B.A. would be held at the Jasper Country Club on May 8, 1995.

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Custodial Recommendation

Upon the recommendation of the superintendent, on a motion made by Lewis, seconded by Mauck and unanimously carried, the board approved the employment of Jerry Wassmer as a custodian at North Posey Jr. H.S., effective the middle of June, to replace Richard Warren, who will be retiring at the end of June, 1995.

Instructional Assistants - Prime Time

The Board of Education authorized Mr. Brenton, Superintendent, to make application to the Department of Education for the use of instructional assistants under the Prime-time Program at the kindergarten, first, second, third and sixth grade levels during the 1995-96 school year contingent on sufficient funding.

Summer School Programs

Following a discussion, upon the recommendation of Mr. Brenton, on a motion made by Mauck, seconded by Lewis and unanimously carried, the board decided not to conduct summer school classes at the the elementary schools during the summer of 1995 due to limited funds available for summer school instruction.

Resignation of William Powell

On a motion made by Mauck, seconded by Seibert and unanimously carried, the board reluctantly accepted the resignation of William Powell as Assistant Principal and Athletic Director at North Posey H.S., effective at the end of the 1994-95 school year. A copy of his letter of resignation shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

As there was no further school business to come before the board at this time the meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

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

HELD MAY 15, 1995

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the M.S.D. of North Posey County, Indiana, was held in the office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 15th day of May, 1995, at the hour of 5:30 P.M., with Board Members Baehl, Buecher, Lewis, Mauck, and Seibert and Superintendent Brenton and Administrative Assistant Rapp present.

At 5:30 P.M. it was the decision of the board to go into an executive session to discuss personnel and negotiations of a master contract with NEA North Posey. The board secured from executive session at 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Baehl, who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of May 1, 1995 were read to the board and approved as read.

Claims

A copy of the claim docket was presented to the board for their consideration. Upon a motion made by Buecher, seconded by Lewis, and unanimously carried, the claim docket was approved by the board and shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

Kevin Sergesketter - North Posey Jr. H.S. Principal

Kevin Sergesketter, principal of North Posey Jr. High School, presented the board members with a coffee mug, ball point pen, and T-shirt in recognition of the 25th anniversary of the present Jr.-Sr. High School facility in the M.S.D. of North Posey County.

Personnel Recommendations - Instructional Assistants

Mr. Brenton explained to the board that the financial situation for the school district was looking better as a result of recent legislation passed by the Indiana General Assembly and that he would be recommending that Yvonne Lottes and Jeanella Shelby be re-employed as instructional assistants for the 1995-96 school year. He further explained that he was reasonably sure that he would be able to recommend that all instructional assistants be re-employed for the 1995-96 school year at a later meeting date.

Building Program Discussion

Mr. Brenton explained to a group of concerned taxpayers who were present that the board would be conducting a 10-28 Public hearing at 6:00 P.M. on June 15th to discuss the proposed air-conditioning of all schools and the remodeling and new construction project at North Posey Jr-Sr High School. He further explained that Lonnie Thurber would be present at the hearing to explain how the total dollar amount spent on the proposed project would impact the present tax rate.

Glen Parker, speaker for the group, stated that he would like to see no increase in the present tax rate and asked the board to proceed slow and easy until the economic situation improves. He further stated that he was in favor of schools being properly funded but urged the board to not overdo the proposed projet which would cause an increase in the present tax rate.

Mr. Brenton explained to the group that the board would hold another meeting on June 5th at 6:00 P.M. to further discuss the proposed project prior to the 10-28 Public Hearing on June 15th.

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North Posey Band Boosters

Yvonne Lottes, co-chairperson of the North Posey Bank Boosters, read a letter requesting financial assistance from the board in purchasing new band and guard uniforms for the 1996-97 school year. Sarah Smith, a member of the Marching Vikings Band, was present to model the new band uniform being considered by the band boosters. The board gave favorable consideration to her request and indicated that they would help the band boosters reach their goal of \$27,000-\$30,000 needed to finance the purchase of new uniforms. A copy of the letter read by Mrs. Lottes shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

Terri Palmer requested the use of North Posey High School on August 2 in order that the Band Boosters serve as a host school for a drum and bugle corp from Casper, Wyoming that would be participating in the Evansville Freedom Festival's "Drums Along the Ohio" marching contest. On a motion made by Buecher, seconded by Mauck, and unanimously carried, the board approved Mrs. Palmer's request.

Jr. High School Cheerleader Sponsor

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Brenton, on a motion made by Mauck, seconded by Seibert, and unanimously carried, the board approved Cindy Elpers as Jr. High Cheerleader Sponsor for the 1995-96 school year.

Senate Bill 441 - Newspaper Advertising

Mr. Brenton explained to the board that due to Senate Bill 441 which passed in the recent session of the general assembly, the board would need to designate two newspapers that would be used for legal advertising. On a motion made by Seibert, seconded by Lewis and unanimously carried, the board designated the Posey County News and the Mt. Vernon Democrat to be used by the district for legal advertising.

Commencement Exercises

Mr. Brenton reminded the board that commencement exercises for the Class of 1995 would be held on Friday evening, May 20th at 7:30 P.M.

Patrons Concerns

Terri Palmer, choral director at North Posey High School, expressed a concern that the stage in the auditorium at the high school was not handicapped accessible. Mr. Brenton guaranteed her that the board would make this problem a priority in the remodeling project at the Jr-Sr High School.

Clara Meadors and Karen Kulenkamp were present to request the board employ a teacher to replace Doris Williams, the remedial reading teacher at South Terrace who will be retiring at the end of the present school year. Both stated that they realized South Terrace did not qaulify for Chapter I funds in the 1995-96 school year but they were still requesting a qualified teacher to replace Mrs. Williams.

Belinda Lance and Susan Johnson were present and asked if plans were being made to continue the gifted and talented program in the elementary schools during the 1995-96 school year. Mr. Brenton explained the program would be continued on the basis of funds available. Susan Johnson also asked the board to give consideration to the construction of a girls softball diamond at North Posey High School in time for the 1996 softball season. As there was no further business to come before the board at the time the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Michael A. Baehl

Larry O. Lewis

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