

METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY:

The Metropolitan School Board of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, met on Monday, January 14th, 1957, at the School Board Office in Poseyville.

All members were present; also Mr. Roberts, Mr. Georges, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Bob Redman, and Mr. Schuler, the School Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Mason Price. The minutes of the December 17th meeting -- and the special meeting of December 27th -- were read and approved.

BUSINESS WAS AS FOLLOWS:

- A. Mr. Crawford reported that we had sent letters inviting Citizen Advisory Committee members to a meeting on January 16th, at 7:30 P.M., at Poseyville School. Out of the 15 cards returned to date, only one was a refusal to serve on the committee -- this being because of ill health of the person selected.
- B. Since the Wadesville Insurance Co. representative was unable to attend the Board meeting tonight, as previously planned, Mr. Crawford was authorized to ask him to attend the January 28th meeting.

Mr. Ulrich, of Wilson & Ulrich Insurance Agency, explained the need of various types of insurance, such as Basic Liability, Gym & Stadium Insurance, Teachers' Liability, Boiler Insurance, etc. The Board is to decide later just what insurance they feel it necessary to have. Mr. Ulrich stated that the School Board is insured "by binder" -- with both Liability and Gym & Stadium Insurance -- until such a time as they fully decide what insurance they will buy.

After a suggestion, by Mr. Crawford, that the contents of the School Board Office should be insured, Mr. Rogers made a motion that Mr. Crawford be authorized to have this matter taken care of, the company being left to Mr. Crawford's discretion. Mr. Price seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- C. BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1957:
The Notice to Taxpayers was read.

Mr. Kohlmeier made a motion to adopt the Appropriation Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Wade. Motion carried. The Resolution was signed by all Board Members.

- D. CLAIMS were presented and signed by the Board.

E. TEACHERS

1. MISS SIRKLE PROBLEM

Mr. Crawford read a letter from Mr. Hutchinson, stating the facts concerning the inefficiency of Miss Sirkle in her school teaching position. In this letter, Mr. Hutchinson recommended that she be given a month's advance salary -- or some such amount of money -- and that she be asked to resign from this school system permanently. After some discussion on this matter, Mr. Morlock made a motion that Mr. Crawford and Mr. Hutchinson take the necessary steps to get her to resign. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Carried.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MRS. RIOLA RANKIN:

Due to pregnancy, Mrs. Rankin had asked to be relieved of her teaching duties from February 22, 1957 until the fall term of 1958-59. Mr. Schuler advised us that there is a one year limit on a Leave of Absence, according to the law. He also informed us that a pre-dated check -- which was her request -- would be of no advantage and advised against it. Action on this matter was postponed until the January 28th meeting, thus giving Mrs. Rankin an opportunity to further discuss it with Mr. Crawford. In the event of Mrs. Rankin's taking the leave of absence, Mrs. Eloise Heckman was suggested as a possible replacement for her position for the remainder of the 1956-57 school year. Mr. Crawford reported that he had a letter of application from Mrs. Evelyn Roberts for this position. Action will be taken at the next Board meeting.

F. CONTRACTS:

Additional copies of Forms for Secretaries and Forms for Legal Services will be made by Mr. Schuler and mailed to Board members, giving them an opportunity to look them over before the next meeting.

G. SCHOOL CALENDAR:

The following changes in the School Calendar were proposed by Mr. Crawford: Full day of school on January 18th. Dismiss at noon on Friday, February 8th for teachers' Meeting that afternoon at Poseyville High School. Friday, March, 1, half day of school, because of the Sectional Tourney. These changes will enable us to finish the school year on May 17th instead of May 18th, as originally scheduled. Mr. Hicks made a motion to adopt these changes. Mr. Rogers seconded. Motion carried.

H. SECRETARY:

Mr. Hutchinson recommended that the Board appoint Mrs. Carol Jean Wilkinson as Secretary for Cynthiana School. The appointment being approved by Mr. Crawford, Mr. Rogers made a motion that Mrs. Wilkinson be employed. Seconded by Mr. Kohlmeier. Motion carried.

II. BETHEL TWP. ELECTION:

1. Mr. Crawford asked the Board's opinion on the matter concerning the Superintendent's being involved in the activities of the Bethel Township Election. After some discussion, the Board gave Mr. Crawford their approval to continue to work with the key committee. Mr. Wade made a motion to this effect, and Mr. Hicks seconded it. Motion carried.

J. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING:

Mr. Crawford announced that there would be a meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee at Poseyville School, Wednesday, January 16th, at 7:30 P.M.

K. FINANCIAL REPORT:

A financial report -- from November 2 to December 31st -- was given to the Board members.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:30.

Signed Masson Price
Chairman

Carl Kohlmeier
Secretary

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD OF
THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY
POSEYVILLE, POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA.

The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County in Posey County, Indiana, met in the Administrative Office of the said School Corporation in Poseyville at 7:00 P.M. on January 14, 1957, pursuant to call, with members present. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Board, who read notice to taxpayers stating the purpose of the meeting, whereupon the Board of School Trustees found that an extraordinary emergency exists for the appropriation and expenditure of funds to pay the operating costs of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, for the period January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957; and proper notice having been given by publication and no objections or remonstrances having been filed, the following resolution was presented:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, that an emergency now exists for the expenditure of the necessary funds to pay the operating cost of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, for the period January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT there should be and is hereby appropriated from the funds available to said School Corporation the following sums of money and for the following purposes:

SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND

A. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

1. Board of School Trustees and Secretary's Office ----	\$ 2,700
2. Office of Superintendent of Schools -----	13,100
3. School Attendance and Census -----	2,650
Total Administration	\$ 18,450

B. INSTRUCTION ----- 9,850

C. COORDINATE ACTIVITIES ----- 50,800

D. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT ----- 21,500

E. MAINTENANCE ----- 20,000

F. FIXED CHARGES ----- 4,510

G. AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES ----- 9,100

Total Special School ----- \$134,210

TUITION FUND

B. INSTRUCTION ----- \$184,300

Total Tuition Fund ----- \$184,300

CUMULATIVE BUILDING FUND

I. CAPITAL OUTLAY ----- \$125,600

Total Capital Outlay ----- \$125,600

Said Emergency Appropriations are made subject to the approval of the State Board of Tax Commissioners.

Duly adopted by the following vote of the members of the said Board.

Nays

Ayes

Gordon Rogers
Ernest Morlock
Thomas Wade
Alb. Fish
Carl Kehlmeier
Mason Price
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Mason Price

METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY:

The School Board of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County met January 28th, at 7:00 P.M., in the School Board Office in Poseyville.

All members were present; also Mr. Roberts and Mr. Schuler, the School Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Price.

BUSINESS WAS AS FOLLOWS:

- A. MINUTES of the January 14th meeting were read and approved.
- B. CLAIMS Nos. 144-161 (inclusive) were presented and signed by the Board.
- C. OLD BUSINESS:
 1. SECRETARY & ATTORNEY CONTRACTS:
The contracts for the Secretaries and Mr. Schuler having been studied, Mr. Kohlmeier made a motion that they be adopted; seconded by Mr. Morlock. Motion carried.
 2. JANITOR'S SALARY:
Mr. Price mentioned that it was agreed, prior to the consolidation, that Mr. Wayne Westfall was to be given a \$25 a month raise, thus making his salary \$250 per month. Mr. Morlock made a motion to approve this agreement; seconded by Mr. Rogers. Motion carried. This increase in salary is effective January 1, 1957.
 3. TEACHERS:
 - a. REPLACEMENT OF MRS. RANKIN:
Since Mrs. Rankin wants to continue teaching until March 15th, no further action was taken to replace her at this time.
 - b. MISS SIKKLE'S RESIGNATION:
Mr. Crawford reported that Miss Sirkle had signed her resignation, a receipt for salary payment in full, also a release to the Metropolitan School District from all obligations to her as a teacher.

He further reported that Mr. Hendrickson & Mr. Hutchinson had worked out a schedule so that Mr. Seargeant, Music teacher at Poseyville, and Mr. Hendrickson could handle the situation for the remainder of the year. After a discussion, Mr. Rogers made a motion to approve the proposed plan of having Mr. Seargeant take care of these classes, with \$15 per month for travel expense. Mr. Hicks seconded the motion. Carried.
- D. NEW BUSINESS:
 1. TEACHERS' LEAVE OF ABSENCES:
 - a. Mrs. Rumble and Mr. Foster had requested a day's leave of absence -- without loss of pay -- February 19th -- to attend a 4-H Leader's Conference at Evansville. Since the Board felt that this was definitely in line with their work, Mr. Morlock made a motion that this leave of absence be granted. Mr. Price seconded the motion. Carried.
 - b. LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MISS MYRTLE FLETCHALL:
Due to her sister's operation in the near future, Miss Fletchall had requested two full days, plus two weeks of afternoons off. Mr. Hendrickson recommended that she be granted this leave of absence without loss of pay. Mr. Hendrickson also requested that a substitute teacher be hired for the time Miss Fletchall is off. After a discussion, Mr. Rogers made a motion that Miss Fletchall be granted two full days absence with pay; the half days' absence without pay. Mr. Morlock seconded the motion. Carried.
 - c. MRS. BRAXTON'S LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
In November 1956, Mrs. Braxton took a week's leave of absence -- for a trip with her family. The Board consented that we deduct five days' pay from her February pay check.
 2. INSURANCE:
 - a. The WADESVILLE INSURANCE AGENCY representative from Indianapolis was unable to attend this meeting because of inclement weather.
 - b. WILSON & ULRICH:
Mr. Crawford reported on the quoted cost per year of the four types of Liability Insurance as follows: Workman's Compensation -- \$227.25; Basic Liability, covering people coming on school premises -- \$177.18; Teacher Liability -- accidents caused by negligence of the teacher, \$61.30;

Liability covering Gym, but excluding outdoor bleachers -- \$317.10. He also reminded us that the Liability & Gym Insurance has been "under binder" with Wilson & Ulrich since November. After a discussion as to what liability insurance is actually needed, Mr. Rogers made a motion to give Wilson & Ulrich authority to write policies for Basic Liability and Workman's Compensation only, the Gym insurance not to be continued. Seconded by Mr. Kohlmeier. Carried.

The Board agreed that the Teachers' Liability and other types of insurance be tabled until next meeting.

c. DRIVER TRAINING CAR INSURANCE:

It was recommended that this insurance for all schools be consolidated into one policy, if possible, into a fleet policy, effective at the beginning of the 1957-58 school year. Mr. Rogers made a motion that this matter be investigated. Seconded by Mr. Kohlmeier. Carried.

d. INSURANCE OF OFFICE CONTENTS:

Mr. Crawford reported that this insurance for \$500, covering typewriter and adding machine, is "under binder" with Wilson & Ulrich until the remainder of the furniture comes in.

e. Mr. Crawford presented a letter from an Insurance Agents' Association, signed by Doyle Boren, Wesley Ewing, J. O. Smith & John E. Stevens -- asking for the privilege of carrying all the insurance of the properties in the school district, to share and share alike. After some discussion, it was recommended that we go on record as receptive to the idea, provided that all insurance agents who want to go in to the Association are asked to, and provided this organization convinces us that the other agencies have been invited in and have either accepted or rejected the invitation.

3. THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE:

a. VENETIAN BLINDS FOR OFFICE:

Mr. Crawford gave an estimate, from Hirsch & Co., of \$56.40 for Venetian blinds -- installed. Mr. Morlock made a motion to have them installed. Seconded by Mr. Rogers. Carried.

b. SIGN FOR FRONT OF BUILDING:

A Sign for the front of the School Board Office was discussed. After a decision that a sign be painted on the window, the Board gave Mr. Crawford the authority to have this work done, suggesting that he contact Mr. Oral Hammond, of New Harmony, who does this sort of work.

c. CHAIRS:

The Board authorized Mr. Crawford to order 15 wooden chairs for office furniture, the cost to be approximately \$8 to \$10 a piece.

4. TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS FOR SCHOOLS:

The necessity for telephone extensions was discussed, but no action was taken.

5. ADULT SEWING CLASS:

Mr. Crawford reported that Mrs. Helen Renschler had contacted him about an Adult Sewing Class in this part of the county. Since Mrs. Rumble had agreed to organize this class, Mr. Price made a motion that the Board approve this Adult Sewing Class. Seconded by Mr. Hicks. Motion carried.

6. BUSINESS OPERATION:

Mr. Crawford recommended that an Assistant Superintendent be employed to take charge of business operation, repair and maintenance and transportation -- or that the Principals be employed on a 12 month basis with these extra duties assigned to them. The possibility of an Assistant Superintendent seemed to be the more suitable way of handling the situation. No action was taken on this.

7. SPECIAL SERVICES:

a. Mr. Crawford stressed the need of a nurse and attendance officer for next fall -- with the possibility that these duties might be combined.

b. He also stressed the need of a speech therapist in the school system next fall.

8. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

A. Mr. Crawford reported that Mr. Ewing had selected an Executive Committee and Chairmen of the sub-committees. The five sub-committees set up are:

1. Finance

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2. Sites
3. High School & Adult Educational Service
4. Problems of Junior High & Elementary School Education
5. Special Services

The Board members were invited to serve on these sub-committees, if they so desired, but after a discussion, they agreed that their preference was not to serve on them.

9. SITES:

No report on Sites.

10. ARCHITECTS:

a. CONFERENCES:

Since Mr. Bruno, an architect, is to meet with South Posey District January 31st, it was suggested that our Board might possibly be able to arrange a meeting with him in the next day or so thereafter; however, they decided to contact Mr. Bruno and ask him to attend one of their meetings at a later date.

b. Mr. Crawford recommended that the Board members visit the different types of new school buildings. They plan to visit two Vanderburgh County Schools -- Park Plaza and West Terrace -- Saturday afternoon, February 2nd.

11. Mr. Crawford called attention to the need of polio shots for everyone under forty years of age.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:10.

Signed

Mason Price
Chairman

Carl Kahlmeyer
Secretary