

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

Held January 14, 1974

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana, was held on the 14th day of January, 1974 at the hour of 7:30 p.m. in the office of the Superintendent of Schools, with Board members Eisterhold, Hall, Tenison and Staples in attendance. Also, attending were Superintendent of Schools, Ivan A. Hollen and William J. Wilson, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent.

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

Claims No. 414 through No. 445 finalizing the 1973 budget as well as claims No. 1 through No. 21 of the 1974 budget were presented to the Board for consideration, and upon motion by Hall, seconded by Tenison, and unanimously carried, claims were ordered paid.

Superintendent Hollen reported to the Board that the January distribution from the state was in and that the monthly payment would be \$34,956 with the Common School Fund and Vets Memorial Fund payments deducted from the first distribution.

Administrators Hollen and Wilson requested that the Board approve advertising for two new 60 passenger buses with two trade-ins for the coming year. Early advertising is necessary to assure the delivery prior to start of school. Board approved this request.

Mr. Wilson informed the Board as to the new prices for both fuel oil, No. 5 and for gasoline. No. 5 fuel oil latest price is 27.4¢ and gasoline is 33.8¢. The gasoline price was for December and another cost increase can be expected in the January billings.

Superintendent Hollen explained to the Board as to the number of days inclement weather had closed the schools. As of the meeting date the schools had lost 7 days of school due to weather conditions. Mr. Hollen gave his own personal opinion that the days missed probably would not have to be made up but that the State Department should come out with some kind of announcement concerning such, prior to the close of school this spring.

Superintendent Hollen then explained to the Board that he had received approval from both Mt. Vernon School District and the New Harmony School District that they would cooperate and participate with North Posey Schools in the proposed new Driver Training program. Permission to advertise for the new Mobile Unit and equipment was requested. After a discussion by the Board as to probable cost to all school districts, request was approved.

Mr. Hollen asked the Board if there had been criticism directed to them concerning the "fast" time for schools. As of this meeting very little criticism had come and the Board felt that they should continue on fast time until further problems occurred.

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Mr. Hollen reported to the Board his latest information concerning the approval of the County Council to underwrite the payment of salary for an Attendance Officer for the school district for the 1974-75 school year. Mr. Hollen had been in contact with a member of the Council, Mr. Charles Kenneth Mann, who assured him that the matter will be brought to the attention of the entire Council at its next regular meeting, to be held on January 21st. It is necessary to know the support the Council will give to this program prior to teacher assignments for the coming school year. Further information from the Council meeting will be given to the Board of Education at their next regular meeting.

The Board then discussed the preliminary salary increases for Administrators and non-instructional personnel for the coming contractual year. No decision was reached but further study by Board members will be necessary.

As no further business was to come before the Board at this time, upon motion duly made and seconded and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

James J. Jensen Jr.

Billy D. Staples

Jack D. Hall

Kenneth Esterhold

Board of Education

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Held January 28, 1974

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 28th day of January, 1974 with Board Members Fletchall, Hall, Staples, Tenison and Eisterhold present. Also attending were Superintendent Hollen, Administrative Assistant Wilson and Attorney Schuler.

The meeting was called to order by President Fletchall, who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of January 14 were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims No. 23 through No. 54 in the total amount of \$6,406.92; Title I Claim No. 19 in the amount of \$13.80; and EEA Claim No. 7 in the amount of \$46.30, were presented to the Board for consideration, and upon motion duly made by Eisterhold, seconded by Hall, and unanimously carried, were approved and ordered paid.

Attorney Schuler reported that he had conferred with William Espenschied, county attorney, in regard to the county's responsibility to provide funds for payment of the salary of an attendance officer. He indicated that Mr. Espenschied was of the opinion that the county was obligated to pay this salary, and that a letter would be written by the county attorney to the county council and county commissioners advising of this fact.

Mr. Wilson reported that he had made an investigation as to whether or not group life insurance could be made available to the administrative staff as a special class in an amount over and above that available to all full-time employees. Mr. Wilson reported that such insurance was available at the existing rates, and that the current annual cost for a \$15,000 policy would be \$51.50 per year.

A discussion was held concerning a proposal to donate free magazines to the high school library in exchange for advertising being placed upon the hard covers which would cover the magazines. Following a discussion, upon motion duly made by Hall, seconded by Tenison, and unanimously carried, the Board determined that in accordance with the previous established policy of the Board no advertising materials should be placed in the school system.


The Superintendent reported on various repairs to the buildings of the district, and further reported on estimates for the budget for 1975, indicating that there would need to be an increase in funds for transportation and operation of the school system. He also reported that a 5 percent increase in the amount of building replacement cost insurance had been authorized.

As a matter of information, it was reported to the Board that the latest billing for No. 2 Fuel Oil had been at 25.23 per gallon, whereas a year ago the cost had been 11.95 per gallon.

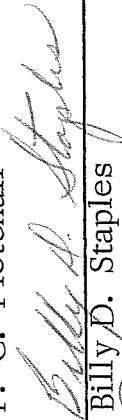
A discussion was had concerning the fire marshall's report on South Terrace school, and in regard to non-instructional salary and administrative salaries.

The Superintendent reported that on this date there had been 326 students absent due to illness, and this represented 16 per cent of the student population.

Following a further general discussion of school matters, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:15 p. m.



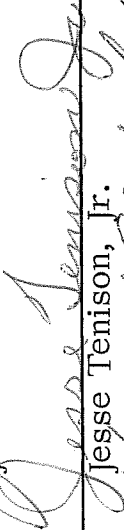
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