

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

Held March 10, 1975

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 March 10, 1975 with Board members Eisterhold, Fletchall, Hall, Staples and Tenison present. Also attending were Superintendent Hollen, Administrative Assistant Wilson and Attorney Schuler.

The meeting was called to order by the President who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of February 17 were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims No. 100 to 151 in the total amount of \$13,474.94 were presented to the Board for consideration and upon motion duly made by Eisterhold, seconded by Hall and unanimously carried, were approved by the Board and ordered paid.

School Bus Bids

Bids were received for two 1975 60-passenger buses as follows:

Nix Bus Sales

Two Blue Bird bus bodies	\$ 12,820.00
Less trade-in	3,000.00
Total	<u>9,820.00</u>

Nix Motor Sales

Chevrolet Chasis, \$6,948.00 per unit	
Total two units	13,896.00
Automatic Transmission, per unit \$1,080.00 additional	

North Posey Ford

Ford Chasis only \$6,905.00 per unit	
Total for two units	13,810.00
Automatic Transmission, per unit \$1,045.00 additional	

Kerlin Bus Sales

Two Thomas Bus Bodies	12,195.00
Less Trade-in	1,500.00
Total	<u>10,695.00</u>

Hendrickson & Sons

Chevrolet Chasis \$7,092.53 per unit, Total for two units	14,185.06
Automatic Transmission, per unit \$1,080.30	

Two Carpenter Bus Bodies	12,024.00
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Thereafter followed a general discussion of the Board concerning the bids and upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board awarded the contract for the chassis to North Posey Ford, without automatic transmission, for a total cost of \$13,810.00 and awarded the contract for the bus bodies to Nix Bus Sales for \$9,820.00.

#### Policy Advisory Committee Report

A report was received from the Policy Advisory Committee composed of Ivan Hollen, Byron Brenton, Jerry Miser, David Hunter, Peggy Adams, Debbie Nottingham, Carla Korb, Harold Bender, and Lee Ann Hoenert. This report was presented by Mr. Brenton and it is as follows:

1. Any student who has an unexcused absence will not be permitted to make up any work and will receive a zero in each of his classes for every day he is unexcused.
2. Any student who is expelled for a period of six weeks or twelve weeks will not be permitted to make up any work and will receive a NC on his grade report indicating that no credit was given for this period as explained in the administrators' and students' handbooks. The semester average will be figured by dividing the six weeks grades by three, or in cases where semester tests are given the grades will be divided by four.
3. Any student who is expelled for a semester will not be permitted to make up any work and will receive a NC on his grade report indicating that no credit was given for this period.

The committee recommends that the school corporation use a five point grading system with an A equaling five points, a B equaling four points, a C equaling three points, a D equaling two points and a F equaling one point.

The committee recommends that any student knowingly possessing, transmitting or being under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogenic drug, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind: (1) on the school grounds during and immediately before or immediately after school, (2) on the school ground at any other time when the school is being used by any school group, or (3) off the school grounds at a school activity, function or event, be expelled from school for one semester subject to the individual's right to due process under Public Law 218. (Use of a drug authorized by a medical prescription from a registered physician shall not be a violation of this rule.) This list of offenses shall not be deemed exclusive and other grounds for expulsion may be considered at the discretion of the administration according to Public Law 218.

This report was received by the Board, discussed and scheduled for later consideration.

Federal Programs Report

Mr. Wilson reported to the Board on the several Federal programs involved in the educational system. He reported that the Title I program of Remedial Reading would likely have a \$9,000.00 carryover into fiscal year 1976 and that application had been made for an additional \$20,000.00 for use in fiscal year 1976, giving a total of \$29,000.00 which would enable the District to employ a remedial reading teacher and four aides for that year. He further reported that application had been made Under Title II for Library operations in the amount of \$3,341.00. This money would be used to purchase books and generally upgrade the library system. Under Title III it was planned that \$1,893.00 be used in the Junior High Industrial Arts program, of which some one-half would be reimbursed. He finally reported that under Title VI Learning Disabilities, the sum of \$4,700.00 was available as a grant for the fiscal year 1975 and that this would be reduced to \$3,000.00 for fiscal year 1976.

Water Tank Quotation

Mr. Hollen reported that he had received bids from four concerns for the furnishing of a hot water tank at the high school as follows:

Modern Welding	\$3,255.00
Aspinall & Associates	1,012.00
Capital Group	1,060.00
Scott Boiler	1,290.83

Following a discussion, upon motion duly made by Tenison, seconded by Staples and unanimously carried, the Board awarded the contract to Aspinall & Associates, the low bidder.

Negotiations Report

Mr. Schuler and Mr. Wilson reported on negotiation progress with the NEA-North Posey County, and furnished to the Board items of the contract which had been adopted and discussed various requests and proposals as advanced by NEA-North Posey County.

Summer School Report

Mr. Wilson reported to the Board that there was likely to be 160 to 175 students in Driver's Education and approximately 20 students in Health. Following a discussion the Board fixed the date for the Summer Education Program as commencing on Monday, June 2, and terminating on Monday, July 28, which would give the necessary forty days, after using July 4 as a Holiday.

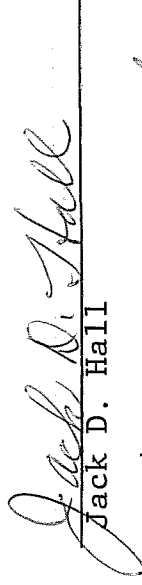
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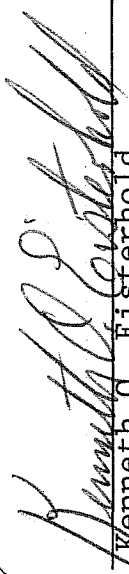
A discussion was had by the Board relative to the Baccalaureate and Commencement Service and to the fixing of a date on which it would be held. Following an extended

discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board fixed Friday, May 16, 1975 as a date when the combination Baccalaureate and Commencement Service would be held.

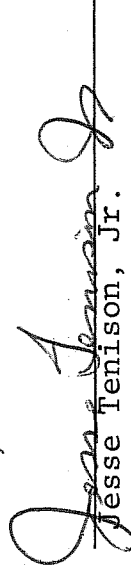
Following a further discussion of school matters, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:20 p.m.

  
P. C. Fletchall

  
Jack D. Hall

  
Kenneth O. Eisterhold

  
Billy D. Staples

  
Jesse Tenison, Jr.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

Held March 17, 1975

A special 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 17th day of March, 1975 at the hour of 7:30 p.m. with Board members Eisterhold, Fletchall, Hall, Staples and Tenison present. Also attending were Superintendent Hollen, Administrative Assistant Wilson and Attorney Schuler.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

Policy Advisory Report Regarding Unexcused Absence and Grades

The President indicated that it would be in order for the Board to give further consideration to the Policy Committee Advisory Report regarding unexcused absences and grades, as presented at the previous meeting. Following a detailed discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following rules to govern unexcused absences and grades:

Any student who has an unexcused absence will not be permitted to make up any work.

Any student who is expelled for a period of six weeks or twelve weeks will not be permitted to make up any work and will receive a NC on his grade report indicating that no credit was given for this period as explained in the administrators' and students' handbooks. The semester average will be figured by dividing the six weeks grades by three, or in cases where semester tests are given the grades will be divided by four.

Any student who is expelled for a semester will not be permitted to make up any work and will receive a NC on his grade report indicating that no credit was given for this period.

Grading of students in grades 9 through 12 will be on a five point grading system with an "A" equaling five points, a "B" equaling four points, a "C" equaling three points, a "D" equaling two points and an "F" equaling one point.

Any student knowingly possessing, transmitting or being under the influence of any narcotic drug, hallucinogenic drug, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind: (1) on the school grounds during and immediately before or immediately after school, (2) on the school ground at any other time when the school is being used by any school group, or (3) off the school grounds at a school activity, function or event, may be expelled from school for one semester subject to the individual's right to due process under Public Law 218. (Use of a

drug authorized by a medical prescription from a registered physician shall not be a violation of this rule.) This list of offenses shall not be deemed exclusive and other grounds for expulsion may be considered at the discretion of the administration according to Public Law 218.

All of the above shall be effective commencing on the first day of the sixth grading period for the school year 1974-75.

Report of Policy Advisory Committee Concerning Student Due Process

Mr. Harold Bender, a member of the Policy Advisory Committee, presented to the Board for its consideration the Committee recommendations concerning Student Due Process and explained the reasoning of the Committee and the adoption of the various recommendations. This report is as follows:

1. A hearing committee always be used in a due process hearing.
2. That a hearing examiner be chosen according to law on a rotating basis.
3. That the hearing examiner shall have no vote.
4. That the hearing committee shall consist of five members; three tenure teachers, at least one teacher from the school which the student attends, and two parents selected from a list submitted by the student council.
5. That each member of the committee have a complete copy of the Due Process Law along with a copy of the student handbook at least forty-eight hours before the hearing.
6. That evidence presented at the hearing be tape recorded. The transcript of the proceedings shall be typed and presented to the superintendent along with the majority report and any minority report of the hearing committee. This material shall be kept on file until statute of limitations expires.
7. That a lawyer shall be present at the hearing to advise the hearing officer and hearing committee.
8. That legal council shall be present to represent the principal and his witnesses.

Following the presentation of the recommendations the Board engaged in an extended discussion concerning them and thereupon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following rules concerning Student Due Process;

In matters involving appeals under Student Due Process, the initial appeal shall always be to a Hearing Committee rather than to a single Hearing Examiner. The Hearing Examiner shall be selected on a rotating basis among individuals in the District qualified to serve in that capacity who shall be chosen according to law.

The hearing examiner shall have no vote in the decision reached by the Hearing Committee.

The Hearing Committee shall be composed of five members, three of whom shall be teachers and at least two of these teachers shall have attained tenure. At least one teacher shall be selected from the school where the student attends. The remaining two members shall be parents residing in the district selected by the Superintendent from a recommended listing submitted by the Student Council at the North Posey High School.

Each member of the Committee shall be provided with a complete copy of the Due Process Law along with a copy of the Student Handbook at least forty-eight hours before the hearing.

All testimony and statements presented at the hearing shall be tape recorded and this recording along with a typed summary of the proceedings shall be presented to the Superintendent together with the majority and any minority report of the Hearing Committee. All material relating to the hearing, subsequent reviews and subsequent hearings, shall be retained on file in the District until all possible appeals have been exhausted, or until the time for appeals has expired.

When requested, the School District shall provide legal council to advise the Hearing Officer and Hearing Committee.

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The above rules shall be incorporated in the Due Process Procedure established by the District. In all other respects the Due Process procedure shall remain as presently established.

#### Commencement Date

Mr. Brenton presented to the Board certain problems which had arisen as a result of changing the date for Commencement from May 18 to May 16. Among other things he advised the Board that Commencement announcements had been printed and were on hand and that arrangements had been made for a planned Senior Trip on May 17 and that he felt it would be impossible to secure sponsors if graduation were held on the 16th.

Following a discussion and upon motion duly made by Eisterhold, seconded by Tenison and unanimously carried, the Board rescinded its prior decision to hold Commencement on May 16, 1975 and established May 18, 1975 as the date for the Commencement ceremony.

Following a further discussion of school matters, upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting adjourned at the hour of 11:00 p.m.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NORTH POSEY COUNTY, INDIANA

Held March 24, 1975

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 March 24th, 1975 and Board members Fletchall, Eisterhold, Hall, Staples and Tenison were present as were Superintendent of Schools, Ivan A. Hollen and Administrative Assistant, William J. Wilson.

The meeting was called to order by President Fletchall who presided. Minutes of the two previous meetings of March 10th and 17th were read to the Board and upon motion duly made and seconded and unanimously carried, minutes were approved as read.

CLAIMS

Claims No. 154 through 176 in the total amount of \$7310.86 were presented to the Board for consideration and upon motion by Hall, Seconded by Tenison and unanimously carried, claims were ordered paid.

CAVITATOR - HIGH SCHOOL

Superintendent Hollen reported to the Board that problems with the cavitator at the High School had been incurred and that a pump had been removed and was under repair. Within a few days the pump would be back in operation again.

APRIL BOARD MEETINGS

The month of April meeting dates was discussed by the Board. It was decided that the Board would meet on April 14, 21, and 28th, with the April 21 date being a Special Meeting to hear the Junior and Senior High School Principal's reports. Elementary Principals will meet with the Board on April 14th.

MRS. PHIPPS REQUEST

The Superintendent presented a request from Mrs. Judy Phipps, Voc. Business Instructor to be absent from her duties on April 4th so as to participate in the state OEA organization meetings. After due discussion the Board approved the request.

SUMMER MAINTENANCE NEEDED

Superintendent Hollen reported to the Board that several areas in the school district would need repair and maintenance during the summer months. It was pointed out that roof leaks would need repair as well as replacement of hot water tanks at both the South Terrace and High Schools. Also, that the parking areas should be recoated this summer if time will allow. Improvement in the South Terrace sewage area should be made. Painting of interior rooms would be needed in the various schools as well as other areas of maintenance. After due discussion the Board instructed Mr. Hollen to proceed with necessary plans to do as much of the work as possible, with the funds available.

BUS THEFT

Mr. Wilson reported to the Board that a juvenile had taken one of the buses off the parking lot a few nights ago and had driven it to St. Wendell. The bus was returned to the parking area with no damage. Juvenile was turned over to the law enforcement officers on learning of the incident.

BOOK ADOPTION

Mr. Wilson reported to the Board that the Book Adoption committees has been organized, that they were working on review of the various books up for adoption (Math).

NEGOTIATION UPDATE

Negotiation update was given by Mr. Wilson since Mr. Schuler was not present at the meeting. It was pointed out that Mr. Schuler had formed a preliminary contractual agreement to be presented to the Teacher Association at their next meeting date which is to be held on April 2, 1975. A salary proposal and fringe benefits update was included in the agreement for consideration.


OBSOLETE RECORDS

Mr. Hollen advised the Board that there had been a mix-up in permission to destroy obsolete records for which prior approval had been given. Mr. Hollen pointed out that in due time permission would be given and that obsolete claims dating from 1957 through 1967 would be destroyed to make room for additional claims.

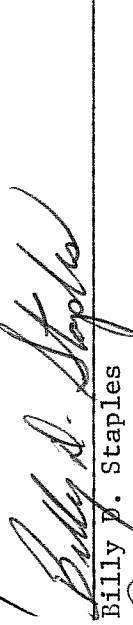
LETTER OF APPRECIATION TO ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Eisterhold brought to the attention of the Board that he felt that a letter of appreciation should be sent to members of the Advisory Committee which he felt had done a commendable job in submitting recommendations to the Board for consideration. After due discussion the Superintendent was instructed to form such a letter and send to the Advisory Committee members.

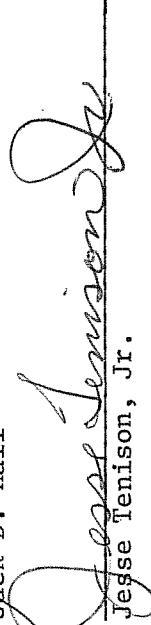
As no further business was to come before the Board, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, Board adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

  
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