

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

HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 1994

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 12th day of September, 1994, at the hour of 5:30 P.M., with Board Members Baehl, Buecher, Lewis, Mauck, and Seibert present. Also attending were Superintendent Brenton and Administrative Assistant Rapp.

At 5:30 P.M. it was the decision of the Board to go into an Executive Session to discuss personnel and other administrative matters. The Board secured from Executive Session at 6:40 P.M.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Baehl, who presided. Minutes of the previous meeting of August 25, 1994 were read to the Board and approved as read.

Claims

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

Refinancing of 1987 Bond Issue

On a motion made by Buecher, seconded by Mauck and un-animously carried, the Board approved School Board Attorney, Bender's request to amend the lease agreement the school district has with the North Posey School Building Corporation and proceed with the closing on the refinancing of the 1987 bond issue for additional classrooms at North Elementary. The excerpts of the minutes submitted by William Bender for the approval to amend the lease and proceed with bond sales are in- corporated herein by reference.

Professional Leave Requests

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion made by Mauck, seconded by Seibert, with Baehl and Lewis voting "aye" and Buecher voting "nay" the following professional leave requests were approved by the Board.

Diane Smith - chaperone students from North Posey H.S. to participate in a debate meet at Ben Davis High School on September 20 - October 1, 1994.

David Rodenberg - attend the Indiana Art Education Assoc. Conference to be held in New Harmony on October 28, 1994.

Jeaneene Hildebrandt - attend the 1994 Indiana Gifted/ Talented Education Fall Conference in Indianapolis on October 2 - 3, 1994.

Debra Whitfield - attend a foreign language workshop in Jasper on October 18, 1994.

Judy Phipps - attend an in-service workshop in Evansville on September 22, 1994.

Linda Reising - attend an Indiana Academic Coaches' Conference to be held in Indianapolis on September 29, 1994.

Sandy Krietenstein & Francis Seib - attend the annual Indiana School Nurses' Conference to be held in Indianapolis on October 4 - 5, 1994.

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Principal's Requests

On a motion made by Lewis, seconded by Mauck, with Baehl and Lewis voting "aye" and Buecher voting "nay", the Board approved the requests of Robert Hunt, Robert Gentil, and John Wood to attend the Indiana Association of School Principals' Conference in Indianapolis on October 16 - 18, 1994

I.S.B.A. State and Regional Meetings

Mr. Brenton reminded the Board that the I.S.B.A. Fall Conference would be held in Indianapolis on October 2-4, 1994 and the regional I.S.B.A. meeting would be held in Jasper on November 9, 1994.

Grandparents Week

Mr. Brenton reminded the Board that Grandparents Week would be held on October 9-15 at South Terrace Elementary and November 21-23 at North Elementary.

Girls Softball

Joe Wilderman, Steve Martin, and Mike Clem appeared before the Board to request that Girls fast-pitch softball be added as a varsity sport in the spring of 1995. Superintendent Brenton read a letter from John Wood, Principal of North Posey High School, recommending that girls softball be added as a varsity sport once a facility was available for the games. It was the decision of the Board to take their request under advisement.

Request of William Farmer

William Farmer was present to request that cross country be added as a team sport at North Posey Jr. High School as soon as possible. It was the Board's decision to take the request under advisement until they had received a letter from Kevin Sergesketter, Principal of North Posey Jr. High School, recommending that cross country be added as a fall sport.

Anthem Life Retirement Benefit

On a motion made by Buecher, seconded by Mauck and un-animously carried, the Board approved a proposal from Anthem Life Insurance Co. that will permit employees to continue to participate in the group life insurance program at the same group rate after retirement.

Autumn Festival Request

On a motion duly made by Buecher, seconded by Mauck, and un-animously carried, the Board approved Rita Martin's request that the Poseyville Autumn Fest Committee be permitted to use the parking lot at North Elementary for rides and games during the Autumn Fest on September 23 - 25. Mrs. Martin presented a certificate of Insurance statement to Superintendent Brenton on behalf of the Poseyville Autumn Fest Committee.

Patron's Concern

Upon the request of Sharon McCurty, on a motion made by Buecher, seconded by Mauck, and un-animously carried, the Board directed the Superintendent to write a directive to all employees students, and volunteer workers stating that protective gloves must be worn when picking up trash on school district property following school extra-curricular activities

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Mrs. McCurty also asked the Board if they would consider changing the election of School Board Members from the primary election in May to the general election in November. Board Member Buecher stated that he planned to make a motion to change the election of Board Members to the general election at the November Board meeting.

Kathy Mauck read the following statement written by Anne Henderson, National Committee for Citizens for Education and requested that it be made a part of the minutes. "The single most important determinant of a child's success in school, and ultimately throughout life, is not family status, education level, income or I.Q.. It is whether the child's parents are involved in his or her education."

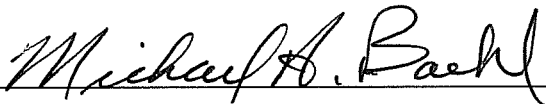
Discussion with Architects

*Corrected by Skaps 10/10/94

Scott Veazey, Conrad Galloway and Fred Findley, representing Knapp, Veazey, and Shoulders Architects were present to discuss with the Board needed improvements to the district facilities. Following a discussion of facility needs, the Board invited the architects to begin to develop cost proposals for remodeling of the high school auditorium, air conditioning of all schools, and additional classrooms at the Jr. High School. Mr. Brenton explained to the architects that he would schedule a walk through in each of the buildings with the building principals so that the architects could begin their work in developing cost proposals for the Board's consideration.

Board Member Buecher requested that the district consider going to a middle school concept by moving the sixth grade classes to the Jr. High School with the sixth grade students remaining on self-contained classrooms.

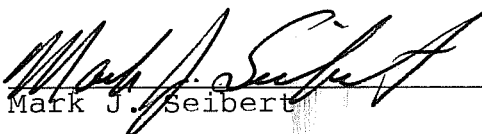
As there was no further business to come before the Board at this time the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.


Michael A. Baehl


Timothy K. Buecher

Larry O. Lewis


Kathy A. Mauck


Mark J. Seibert