

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana

Held on October 22, 1996

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the M.S.D. of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the Board Room at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools on the 22nd day of October, 1996. The meeting began at the hour of 5:30 p.m. The following Board members were present: Mr. Baehl, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Buecher, and Mrs. Mauck. Also present was Ernest W. Rapp, Superintendent, and John D. Wood, Administrative Assistant.

At 5:30 p.m., it was the decision of the Board to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel according to Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(8). Specifically, a group of concerned citizens submitted a petition of concern directed toward bus driver, Juanita Marvel. The Board adjourned from Executive Session at 6:18 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened for the regular meeting at 6:20 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Baehl. Following President Baehl calling the meeting to order, the Board of Education paused for a moment of silence to pay tribute to Byron A. Brenton, who died in a car/train accident on Friday, October 18, 1996. His impact on the school district will be long remembered and his presence will be sadly missed. Minutes of the previous meeting held on September 19, 1996, were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mrs. Mauck and unanimously carried.

CLAIM DOCKET

A copy of the current claim docket was presented to the Board for consideration. Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Mauck and seconded by Mr. Lewis, and unanimously carried, the claim docket was approved by the Board. A copy of the claim docket, as approved by the Board, shall be made a part of the official minutes by incorporation.

AGENDA

Report on 1997 Budget Hearing

On Thursday, October 17, 1996, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Wood, and Mr. Brenton attended the 1997 Budget Hearing at the Hovey House in Mt. Vernon, IN. Mr. Rapp reported the new tax rate will be 4.6964. The new assessed evaluation will be \$73,105,458, an increase of \$1,925,558. Mr. Rapp announced the tax rates for specific areas will be as follows:

General Fund	2.6151
Debt Service	0.7587
Transportation	0.7863
Capital Projects	0.5263
Special Ed/PreSchool	<u>0.0100</u>
1997 Actual Tax Rate	4.6964

Mr. Rapp concluded his report by saying the final tax levies will be established in January, 1997.

Recommendation to Amend the 1996-97 School Calendar

Mr. Rapp recommended to the Board that, due to the 1997 prom being scheduled for Saturday, May 10, 1997, the fifth makeup day in the school calendar for 1996-97 be changed to Saturday, May 3, 1997. Mr. Rapp reported that the change had been discussed at the Superintendent's Advisory meeting held on September 23, 1996, and all members were in unanimous agreement with the recommended change. On a motion duly made by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Buecher, the motion passed unanimously.

Board Approval of a Change Order in the Addition and Renovation Project at North Posey Junior High School

Mr. Rapp asked Mr. Lewis to report to the Board on the change order received from Veazey, Parrott and Shoulders. Mr. Lewis stated the change order involves revising a corridor layout, including lockers, doors, masonry walls, electrical devices and specialties. Mr. Rapp reported the change order involves an increase of \$1,631 to Deig Brothers Construction and a deduct of \$1,466 from ARC Mechanical for a total increase in cost of only \$165. On a motion duly made by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion carried unanimously.

Update on HVAC at the Elementary Schools and the Addition and Renovation at North Posey Junior High School

Mr. Rapp reviewed the progress on the HVAC installations at the elementary schools and on the addition and renovation at North Posey Junior High School. Work is progressing on schedule, with few delays. The next progress meeting will be held on Friday, October 25, 1996, at 9:00 a.m. and 10 a.m. in the library at North Posey Jr./Sr. High School.

Resignation of Mary Peach and Recommendation of Employment of Lori Motz as Instructional Assistant at North Elementary School

Mr. Rapp submitted the letter of resignation from Mary Peach as an instructional assistant at North Elementary School. Mr. Rapp recommended the employment of Lori Motz to fill the position. On a motion made by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the Board accepted the resignation and approved the recommendation by a unanimous vote.

Recommendation of Kim Higginson as Jr. High Football Coach for Second Half of Season

Mr. Rapp recommended to the Board the employment of Kim Higginson as North Posey Jr. High School football coach from September 18, 1996, to October 22, 1996, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Alan McGinnis. On a motion duly made by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion passed unanimously.

Resignation of Rick LeGrange as Football Coach at North Posey Jr. High School

Mr. Rapp submitted a letter of resignation received from Rick LeGrange as junior high football coach effective at the end of the current season. On a motion made by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Rapp stated he would advertise the vacant position immediately.

Recommendation of Jr. High Girls' Basketball Coaches for the 1996-97 Season

Mr. Rapp recommended to the Board Mr. Jeff Jones be employed as the 8th grade girls' basketball coach and Mr. Ryan Marvel be employed as an assistant girls' basketball coach for the 7th and 8th grades. The coaching salary of \$1,714 will be evenly divided between Mr. Jones and Mr. Marvel. On a motion duly made by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion unanimously carried.

Recommendation for Assistant Wrestling and Two Volunteer Assistants for 1996-97

Mr. Rapp recommended the hiring of Mr. Damon Witherspoon as assistant wrestling coach at the high school, junior high school, and elementary school programs for the 1996-97 season. Further, Mr. Rapp recommended Mr. Mark Scheller and Mr. Matt Happe serve as volunteer assistant wrestling coaches for the 1996-97 season. On a motion duly made by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion carried unanimously.

Professional Leave Requests

Mr. Rapp recommended the following professional leave requests be granted by the Board:

1. Yvonne Knies and Franzy Fleck to attend the Indiana PHERD Conference at the Executive Inn in Evansville on Thursday, October 24, 1996.
2. Leesa Kuhn to attend the fall meeting of the Southern Region Technology Team at Loogootee High School on Wednesday, November 6, 1996.
3. Mike Wassmer to attend the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, MO, on Friday, November 15, 1996.
4. Judy Phipps to attend the annual Business Education Winter Workshop in Indianapolis, IN, on Friday, November 15, 1996.
5. Julie Gries and Kathy Petrig to attend the Learning Disabilities Association Conference in Indianapolis, IN, on Friday, November 22, 1996.
6. Steve Fisher to attend the IASP Assistant Principals' Conference in Indianapolis, IN, on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 3 and 4, 1996.
7. Joe Gengelbach to attend the Indiana Football Coaches Association meeting in Indianapolis on Friday, December 6, 1996.
8. Terri Palmer to attend the Midwest International and Orchestra Directors' Clinic in Chicago, IL, Wednesday through Friday, December 18-20, 1996.

Public Reminder of "No TV Week" and Blue Ribbon Parenting Night

Mr. Rapp reminded the Board of the "No TV Week" activity planned for the week of November 11 through 15, 1996. Also during that week, the Blue Ribbon Parent Night will be held on Thursday,

November 14, 1996. Activities will begin at 6:30 p.m. and conclude at 8:30 p.m. The parents of all North Posey students will receive a pamphlet through the mail inviting them to participate in these special events. Mrs. Genise Huey, of the Posey County Cooperative Extension Service, will handle the mailing.

Next Board Meeting, Monday, November 18, 1996

Mr. Rapp requested that the next regular Board meeting be held on Monday, November 18, 1996, at 6:15 p.m. President Baehl set the next Board meeting at this time.

Presentation of ISBA "Outstanding Board" Award

Mr. Rapp announced the Indiana School Board Association has awarded the M.S.D. of North Posey County Board of Education the "Outstanding Board" award. When a majority of the school board members have attained 75 points through attendance at the summer academy and/or fall conference, the school board is named an "outstanding board". Only five districts in Region 9 received this award. Mr. Rapp congratulated the Board for a "job well done" and hung the award directly behind the Board table.

North Posey High School Spell Bowl Team Qualifies for State Competition

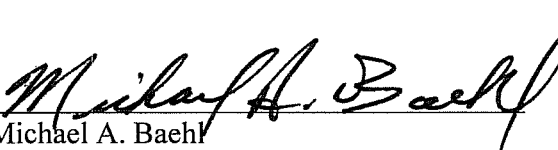
Mr. Rapp announced to the Board that the high school spell bowl team has qualified for the State Spell Bowl Competition to be held in Indianapolis on Saturday, November 16, 1996. They finished first in their class at the District competition and had the second highest total score for all teams. In the State qualification rankings, the team had the fourth highest score in the State at the District competition for all schools participating. Mrs. Roberta Adamson is the coach of this year's team. Team members are Laura Bretz, Jennifer Campbell, Jessica Campbell, Andrea Daub, Shelly Gee, Meghann Hendrickson, Denise Herrenbruck, Melissa Horton, Nick Krohn, Anna Pohl, Anna Pulliam, Jon Rader, Tiffany Schaefer, and Lori Sims.

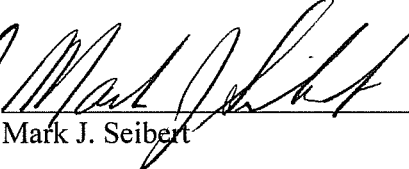
Sectional Action for North Posey High School

Mr. Rapp reported to the Board that the North Posey High School volleyball team will play New Harmony in the second game of the IHSAA volleyball sectional at Wood Memorial on Thursday, October 24, 1996. The North Posey High School football team will host Mitchell High School in the first round of the IHSAA football sectional #32 on Friday, October 15, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. GO VIKINGS!

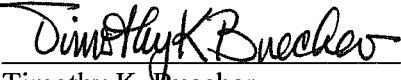
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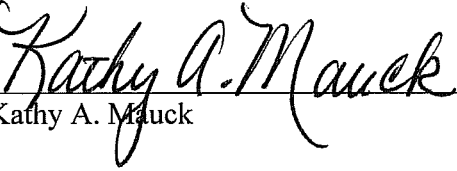
As there was no further school business to come before the Board at this time, President Baehl entertained a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mr. Lewis, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 8:00 p.m.


Michael A. Baehl


Mark J. Seibert


Larry O. Lewis


Timothy K. Buecher


Kathy A. Mauck

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