

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

*Held on December 16, 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 16th day of December, 1996. The meeting began at the hour of 6:15 p.m. The following Board members were present: Mr. Baehl, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Buecher, Mr. Seibert, and Mrs. Mauck. Also present were Ernest W. Rapp, Superintendent, and John D. Wood, Administrative Assistant.

The meeting was called to order by President Baehl. Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday, November 18, 1996, were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Lewis 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. Seibert, 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**

### **Permission to Transfer Appropriations**

Mr. Rapp asked the Board's approval to make various transfers within functional accounts of the 1996 budget to eliminate negative balances and for the approval to pay outstanding bills for the remainder of the 1997 calendar. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the Board unanimously approved Mr. Rapp's request.

### **Adoption of the M.S.D. of North Posey County Fixed Asset Capitalization Policy**

Mr. Rapp reviewed the Fixed Asset Capitalization Policy with the Board and recommended the policy to them for their approval. The Indiana State Board of Accounts requires this policy be in place by January 1, 1997. School attorney, William Bender, has reviewed the policy and has found it to be in order. Also, Mary Jo Beckman, an auditor with the State Board of Accounts, has reviewed the policy and found it in order. The basic purpose of the fixed asset account system is to contain sufficient information to permit adequate insurance coverage, as well as control and accountability. On a motion by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation. A copy of the Fixed Asset Capitalization Policy shall be made a part of the minutes by incorporation.

### **Coaching Recommendations for 1997 Spring Sports**

Mr. Rapp recommended to the Board that Ryan Marvel be employed as a track coach at North Posey Junior High School for the 1997 season. Also, Mr. Rapp recommended Danny Embrey be assigned as a volunteer assistant baseball coach at North Posey High School for the 1997 season. On a motion by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the Board unanimously approved the recommendations.

### **New Auditorium Stage Curtains at North Posey High School**

Mr. Rapp requested permission from the Board to purchase stage curtains for the high school auditorium. The new curtains would include velour front curtains, valance and side tormentors, as well as two rear curtains, four side curtains, and three ceiling borders made of Atlas oxford cloth. A low bid of \$6,837 was submitted by King School Equipment Company of Danville, Indiana. Dan Martin and Dan Ellis will install all of the curtains, thus saving the District \$900. The purchase will come out of the Capital Projects Fund. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the Board unanimously approved the purchase.

### **Soccer Field Proposal**

Mr. Rapp reported to the Board about the proposed modifications and improvements to the soccer field at North Elementary School. Mr. Rapp met with Mr. Bud Martin, Martin's Farm Drainage, to discuss the feasibility of the project. Mr. Martin recommended the grading, fill work and drainage system be completed in June of 1997. The seeding and landscaping would be completed in August of 1997. Following this work, the field would not be used until the fall of 1998. Total cost of this project will be \$6,000. The Board's share will be \$4,000, and the North Posey Youth Soccer organization will pay \$2,000. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Buecher, the Board unanimously approved the project.

### **Professional Leave Requests**

Mr. Rapp recommended to the Board the approval of the following professional leave requests:

- Roberta Adamson - Chaperon the high school Academic Decathlon Team to Chicago to visit the Chicago Art Institute on Friday, January 3, departing after school, and Saturday, January 4, 1997.
- Michael Wassmer - Attend the Posey County Ag Day meeting on Friday, January 3, 1997.
- Terri Palmer and Jennifer Schroeder - Attend the Indiana Music Educators Convention in Indianapolis, January 16-18, 1997.
- Cindy Kemmerling, Shara King, and Shannon Gengelbach - Attend hands-on workshop for the SDS system concerning student fee processing through the book rental software on February 19, 1997, in Indianapolis.
- Kevin Sergesketter - Attend the Indiana Middle Level Education Association Conference in Indianapolis, February 28, through March 1, 1997.
- James Anderson and Patricia Hewig - Chaperon physics students and senior members of the National Honor Society on their annual field trip to Chicago to visit the Museum of Natural History, the Museum of Science and Industry, and the Shedd Aquarium, March 12-15, 1997.

On a motion by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the Board unanimously approved the professional leaves requested.

### **Surplus Computer Equipment**

Mr. Rapp requested permission from the Board to declare the outdated computers, monitors, and keyboards located in the high school as surplus equipment. Mark Parker will attempt to liquidate these items in the best manner possible. Mr. Rapp explained that these computers are IBM Model 30 dual floppy disk drive systems originally purchased in 1987 and are no longer functional for instruction in the classroom. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the Board unanimously granted the request.

### **North Posey Junior High Spell Bowl Team Wins 7th State Championship**

Mr. Rapp praised the accomplishment of the North Posey Junior High School Bowl Team for winning their 7th State championship on Saturday, November 23, 1996, in Indianapolis. This year's champion won the title with a perfect score! Mr. Rapp reiterated how very proud the entire school/community is of this achievement.

### **Adoption of the 1997-98 School Calendar**

Mr. Rapp presented the school calendar for 1997-98 that was jointly prepared by the faculty committee and Mr. Rapp and approved by the building principals. The first day of school for students will be on Friday, August 15, 1997, and the final scheduled day will be Friday, May 22, 1998. Board member Seibert questioned the dates for the spring break. Mr. Rapp explained the spring break needs to be coordinated with the Evansville school system for transportation reasons. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the Board unanimously approved the 1997-98 school calendar.

### **North Posey Band Boosters Request Approval for Band Trip**

Mr. Rapp introduced Mrs. Karen Kulenkamp, president of the North Posey Band Boosters, who presented a request to the Board asking permission to accept an invitation for the North Posey High School Marching Band to represent the State of Indiana in the National Independence Day Parade in Washington, D.C., on July 4, 1997. Mrs. Kulenkamp explained that the trip would be funded by the band boosters and the individual students and chaperons taking the trip. The band would leave on Tuesday, July 1, 1997, and return on Sunday, July 6, 1997. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request.

**Next Board Meeting**

Mr. Rapp recommended that the next Board meeting be held on Monday, January 13, 1997, at 6:15 p.m. An executive session will be held at 5:30 p.m.

**Brenton Memorial Scholarship Fund Donations**

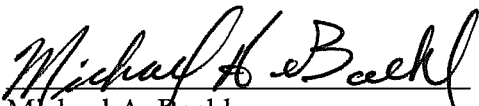
Mr. Rapp announced to the Board that the Brenton Memorial Scholarship Fund had received donations totaling \$990 to date.

**Patrons Concerns**

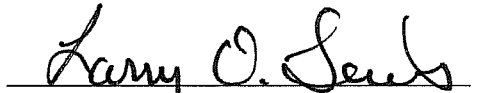
Mrs. Kulenkamp asked the Board for permission for the Band Boosters to host a "Donkey Basketball" game as a fund-raiser. She requested the use of the high school gym. She explained that the donkeys have a special covering on their hooves to prevent damage to the floor. Mrs. Kulenkamp stated that special liability insurance will be provided. The Board requested Mr. Rapp to check with the school corporation's insurance regarding local liability. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Buecher, the Board passed the motion unanimously.

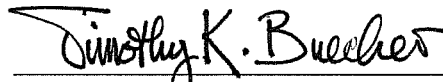
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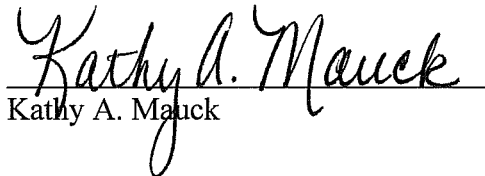
As there was no further school business to come before the Board at this time, President Baehl entertained a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

  
Michael A. Baehl

  
Mark J. Seibert

  
Larry O. Lewis

  
Timothy K. Buecher

  
Kathy A. Mauck

**Board of Education  
M.S.D. of North Posey County**

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