

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

*Held on August 10, 1998*

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 1998. The meeting began at the hour of 5:45 p.m. The following Board members were present: Michael Baehl, Timothy Buecher, Larry Lewis, Kathy Mauck and Mark Seibert. Also present were Ernest W. Rapp, Superintendent, John D. Wood, Administrative Assistant, and William H. Bender, school attorney.

At 5:45 p.m., it was the decision of the Board to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(2-B) for discussion of strategy with respect to initiation of litigation or litigation which is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing; and/or; IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (8) to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The Board adjourned from Executive Session at 6:44 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened for the regular meeting at 6:45 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Baehl. Minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday, July 13, 1998 were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mr. Buecher, 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, 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 Advertise 1999 Budget**

Mr. Rapp asked the Board for permission to officially advertise the 1999 Budget. The Budget will appear in the Posey County News on August 18 and 25 and the Mt. Vernon Democrat on August 19 and 26. Mr. Rapp informed the Board that he will be advertising an excessive levy in the General Fund in the amount of \$45,925 to cover the additional cost in the General Fund to recoup the additional costs in the budget for opening the new addition at the junior high. On a motion duly made by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion to advertise the 1999 Budget passed unanimously.

**Additional Appropriation Resolution**

Mr. Rapp requested the Board adopt a special resolution to approve an additional appropriation of \$60,000 in the Pre-School Fund for 1999. Mr. Rapp will submit the resolution to the State Board of Tax Commissioners for final approval. On a motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously carried.

### **Teacher & Staff Recommendations for 1998-99 School Year**

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board employ the following individuals for the 1998-99 school year at the positions indicated:

Angela Mendel – English teacher at North Posey High School

Erin Wilson – Pre-School Teacher (1/2 day) at North Elementary School

Jeanella Shelby – Computer Coordinator at North Elementary School

On a motion by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion unanimously carried.

### **High Tech Grant at North Posey High School**

Mr. Rapp introduced Mrs. Harrington, principal at North Posey High School and Mr. Fisher, assistant principal at North Posey High School and asked them to update the Board on the High Tech Grant recently awarded to North Posey High School. The grant award was in the amount of \$199,770. North Posey High School was one of 30 schools out of 111 applicants selected to receive a grant. The grant is funded from the IN-DOE Technology Literacy Challenge Fund project. Mrs. Harrington informed the Board that 70 new computers have been received and installed. Also, computer cable has been run throughout the building. The library received 12 new computers as well. Mrs. Harrington invited the Board to visit the school to see all of the technology improvements made possible through this grant.

### **Outstanding School Board Award for 1997-98 School Year**

Mr. Rapp praised the Board for receiving the Outstanding School Board Award for the third year in a row! This award is presented by the Indiana School Board Association. The Board will receive the award at the annual ISBA District meeting in the fall at Jasper.

### **Fourth Annual “No TV Week”**

Mr. Rapp announced plans for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual “No TV Week” scheduled for the week of October 5 through 9, 1998. All schools in the District will participate in this activity.

### **“Word of the Week” for 1998-99 School Year**

Mr. Rapp informed the Board of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual “Word of the Week” project. This activity proved to be very successful during the last school year.

### **Indiana State Police Bus Inspection**

Mr. Wood reported on the annual school bus safety inspection held on Friday, July 24, 1998. A total of 33 out of 34 vehicles passed inspection on site. Mr. Wood praised the work done by Jerry Straw and Billy Hopf in getting the fleet ready for inspection and Chris Mauck and Josh Ricker for washing and waxing the buses.

### **Teacher Orientation Day Schedule**

Mr. Rapp reviewed the schedule of activities for the annual Teacher Orientation Day set for Thursday, August 13, 1998. The morning will begin with a breakfast buffet in the cafeteria at North Posey High School at 7:45 a.m. The program will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Mass Learning Center at North Posey Junior High. Mr. Rapp will open the meeting with his annual speech to the staff. Dr. James Weigand, retired professor from Indiana University, will be the keynote speaker.

Regular orientation business matters will be handled following Dr. Weigand's presentation. The morning's activities will conclude with building staff meetings with their principal. Mr. Rapp invited all of the Board members to attend this event.

### **Elementary Girls' Basketball Program**

Mr. Rapp asked the Board to accept the recommendation given by Miss Carlton, principal at South Terrace Elementary and Mr. Teel, principal at North Elementary to begin girls' basketball at their respective schools for the 1998-99 season. On a motion by Mr. Buecher, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Resignation of Brenda Straw as School Bus Driver**

Mr. Wood informed the Board of the resignation of Brenda Straw as a school bus driver. Mrs. Straw has driven for the school district since 1990. Mr. Wood recommended the employment of Heidi Watson for this position. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously carried.

### **Future Board Meeting Dates**

Mr. Rapp asked the Board to establish the following dates for future Board meetings:

Monday, August 31, 1998 – Special Meeting – Public Hearing on the 1999 Budget – 6:30 p.m.

Monday, September 14, 1998 – Regular Meeting – Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. – Meeting 6:30 p.m.

### **Maternity Leave Request**

Mr. Rapp presented the Board with a request from Lisa Brandenstein, a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at North Elementary School for a maternity leave from approximately September 15 to January 4, 1999. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion unanimously carried.

### **Open House Activities**


Mr. Rapp informed the Board of the dates for the annual "Open House" activities at the following schools:


North Posey Jr. High – Wednesday, August 26, 1998, 6-8 p.m.

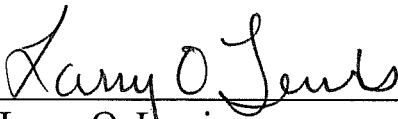
North Posey High School – Wednesday, September 2, 1998 – 6-8 p.m.

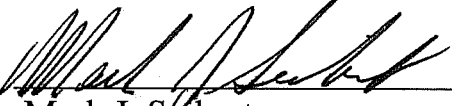
### **ADJOURNMENT**

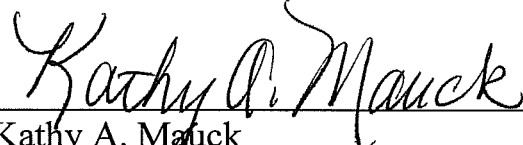
As there was no further school business to come before the Board at this time, President Baehl entertained a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Seibert, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

  
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**AGENDA**

**Public Hearing on 1999 Budget**

President Baehl officially opened the meeting for the purpose of holding a budget hearing on the proposed 1999 Budget. As there were no patrons present, President Baehl asked Mr. Rapp to present the agenda of regular business scheduled for this meeting.

**Resignation of Franzy Fleck - Recommendation of Gary Gentil and Lisa Sellers**

Mr. Rapp asked the Board to accept the resignation of Franzy Fleck as the health/physical education teacher at North Posey Jr. High School. To replace Mr. Fleck, Mr. Rapp recommended the employment of Gary Gentil. Further, Mr. Rapp recommended the hiring of Lisa Sellers to fill the position of instructional assistant at North Posey High School to replace Mr. Gentil. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion unanimously carried.

**Recommendation of School Nurse at North Elementary**

Mr. Rapp recommended the employment of Patricia Seibert as a full time nurse at North Elementary School. Mr. Rapp informed the Board that he was able to create this position through money from the application under P.L. 94/142, prepared by Mr. Domizio, Director of Special Services. Mrs. Seibert will be funded by P.L. 94/142 for the 1998-99 school year. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion unanimously carried.

**Recommendation of Instructional Assistant at North Elementary**

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board approve the hiring of Tonna Seibert as a full-time instructional assistant at North Elementary School for the 1998-99 school year. Mrs. Seibert will replace Jeanella Shelby, who moved to the position of computer coordinator at North Elementary. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion unanimously carried.

**Teacher Recommendation at North Elementary for Maternity Leave**

Mr. Rapp recommended the employment of Keith Kennedy as a fifth grade teacher at North Elementary School to replace Lisa Brandenstein during her

maternity leave. On a motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously passed.

**Request for Maternity Leave – Julie Gries**

Mr. Rapp asked the Board to approve the request submitted by Julie Gries, learning disabilities teacher at North Posey High School, for a maternity leave to begin on Monday, September 28, 1998, and ending on Monday, January 4, 1999. Mr. Rapp recommended the hiring of Tonya Beuligmann as the replacement for Julie Gries. On a motion duly made by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion unanimously carried.

**Recommendation for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach at North Posey Junior High**

Mr. Rapp recommended the employment of Leesa Kuhn as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball coach at North Posey Junior High for the 1998-99 season. On a motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously carried.

**Reappointment to INCOLSA**

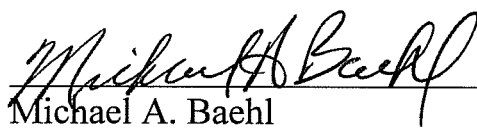
Mr. Rapp asked the Board to reappoint Roberta Adamson as a member of the Board of Directors for the Indiana Cooperative Library Services Authority for a three-year term. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion unanimously passed. A copy of the Board Appointment Renewal Certificate as approved by the Board shall be made a part of the official minutes by incorporation.

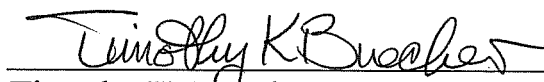
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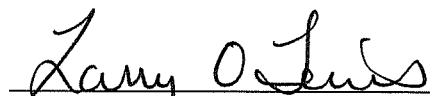
Mr. Rapp asked the Board to set the next regular school board meeting on Monday, September 14, 1998. An executive session will be held at 5:30 p.m. followed by the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

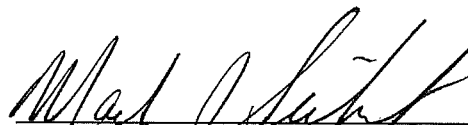
**Adjournment**

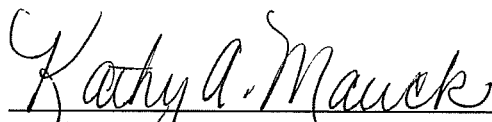
As there was no further school business to come before the Board at this time, President Baehl entertained a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Seibert, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

  
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