

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education
of the
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana
*Held on October 16, 2000***

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD 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 October 2000. The meeting began at the hour of 5:30 p.m. The following Board members were present: Kathy Mauck, Michael Baehl, Mark Seibert, and Stephen Bender. Also present were 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 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 6:18 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened for the regular meeting at 6:21 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Baehl. Minutes of the previous meetings held on Monday, September 11, 2000, were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mr. Seibert, 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 Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Bender, 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

Establish Soccer Teams as Varsity Program

Mr. Rapp made a recommendation to the Board to approve the establishment of boys' and girls' soccer teams as a full varsity competition athletic program at North Posey High School for the 2001 season. The motion to approve this recommendation was made by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Bender and unanimously carried by the Board.

South Terrace Fence Proposal

Mr. Rapp introduced the president of the South Terrace Elementary School PTO, Mrs. Sherry Johnson, to present a proposal to the Board to help finance the installation of chain link fence in front of the school at the east and west ends along Haines Road. Mrs. Johnson stated that traffic along Haines Road has markedly increased since the road has been repaved. The fencing will prevent playground balls from rolling into the traffic and stop the children from running after the balls in the roadway. Mrs. Johnson submitted two estimates from fencing companies: Tri-State Fencing = \$4,362.00 and Willis Fence = \$5,857.92. On a

suggestion by Mr. Bender, Mr. Rapp recommended the Board accept the quote from Tri-State Fencing for \$4,362.00 and pay the entire cost. On a motion by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion unanimously passed.

North Posey Youth Basketball Request

Mr. Rapp introduced Mr. Tim Schmitt, president of the North Posey Youth Basketball League. Mr. Schmitt asked the Board for permission to use the gyms at North Posey High School for the 2000-2001 North Posey Youth Basketball League. The league will run for nine Saturdays from November 18, 2000 to February 24, 2001. The program is designed for all boys and girls in grades 1-4. Mr. Schmitt also requested custodial services on each of the Saturdays. Mr. Rapp informed the Board that the School Corporation has always provided custodial services and would continue to do so. Mr. Rapp recommended the Board approve the request made by Mr. Schmitt. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the motion to approve the request unanimously carried.

Recommendation of David Nielsen

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board employ Mr. David Nielsen as a full-time night custodian at North Posey High School. On a motion by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously passed.

Recommendation of Barbara Heldt

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board approve the hiring of Mrs. Barbara Heldt as a full-time instructional assistant for Special Services at North Elementary School for the 2000-2001 school year. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Bender, the motion unanimously carried.

Retirement of Roberta Weedman

Mr. Rapp informed the Board that he had received a letter of retirement from Roberta Weedman as the extracurricular treasurer school at North Posey High School and as the school lunch program treasurer for the School Corporation effective Friday, March 23, 2001. Mr. Rapp noted that Mrs. Weedman has held these positions for 21 years. Mr. Rapp recommended the Board accept the letter of notification of retirement submitted by Mrs. Weedman. On a motion by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Bender, the motion unanimously passed.

Official ADM Count for 2000-01

Mr. Rapp reported the official results of the 2000 ADM count to the Board. The count indicates an enrollment of 1,610.2, a decrease of 49.8 students in the District from the 1999-2000 ADM. Mr. Rapp indicated the decline is indicative of a decline in the birth rate nationwide. A copy of the ADM report shall be made a part of the official minutes by incorporation.

Requests for Professional Leave

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board grant the following requests for professional leave:

Donna Nash and Donna McGinness – Attend the IASC Advisor's Conference in Greenwood, IN, entitled, "It's a Jungle Out There" – October 15-16 (Sun/Mon)

Yvonne Knies – Attend a Project Alert Workshop sponsored by the Drug Free Posey County Committee in Jasper on October 17 (Tues)

David Rodenberg – Attend German Peach Horse Parade in Evansville on October 17 (Tues)

JoBerta Campbell – Attend a Workshop entitled, “Stop the Violence” in Indianapolis on October 30 (Mon)

Terri Palmer – Attend the Murray State Quad Honor Choir at Murray State University on November 5 & 6 (Sun/Mon)

Gayle Blunier and Jenifer Neidig – Attend the annual Business and Marketing Education Conference in Indianapolis on November 17-18 (Fri/Sat)

Julie Gries and Pat Nalin – Attend a Workshop in Clarksville on Behavioral Assessment and Support Interventions for Students with Disabilities – November 17 (Fri)

On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Recommendation of Chris Reeves

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board approve the employment of Mr. Chris Reeves as 7th grade girls’ basketball coach at North Posey Jr. High School and Mr. Chad Hoehn as assistant wrestling coach at North Posey High School for the 2000-2001 season. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously passed.

Marching Viking Band

Mr. Rapp praised the recent performances by the North Posey High School Marching Viking Band. The band received a Division I rating at the District Competition held at Jasper High School on Saturday, September 30, 2000 and qualified to compete at the Regional. The Regional Competition was held on Saturday, October 14, 2000 at Bedford North Lawrence High School. The band received a Division I rating and finished 6th out of 16 bands. The top five qualify to compete in the State Finals at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis. Mr. Rapp congratulated Band Director, Mrs. Terri Palmer, Guard Director, Mrs. Erin Wilson-Stump, and the Marching Vikings on a job well done!

Parent Teacher Conference Day

Mr. Rapp announced the arrangements for the annual Parent/Teacher Conferences. The elementary schools will be dismissed at 11:00 a.m. and the junior high and high school at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 19, 2000. Parent/Teacher Conferences will begin at noon and last until 8:00 p.m. Schools will be dismissed at the same times on Friday, October 20, 2000. There will be no school on Monday, October 23, 2000 due to Fall Break.

Budget Hearing

Mr. Rapp reported to the Board on the School Budget Hearing he attended on Friday, October 6, 2000 at the Hovey House in Mt. Vernon. Mr. Rapp submitted all of the required budget forms as requested to a representative of the State Board of Tax Commissioners. Mr. Rapp was told it would be around the middle of November before he would receive a printout of the approved budget.

Red Ribbon Day

Mr. Rapp reported on the upcoming “Red Ribbon Rally” activity to be held on Thursday, October 26, 2000, at 9:15 a.m. at the New Harmony School. Fifth and sixth grade students from all the schools in Posey County will be in attendance. The event is sponsored by the Posey County Drug Free School Coalition.

Bus Garage Fish Fry

Mr. Wood announced that the Annual Bus Barn Café Fish Fry will be held on Wednesday, October 18, 2000 at 12:30 p.m. All Board members are invited to attend. Mr. Wood reported on the final results of the yearly school bus inspection conducted by the Indiana State Police Motor Carrier Division. The fleet from MSD of North Posey County scored a 100% approval of every vehicle inspected for the second year in a row and for the third time in the last four years. Mr. Wood praised the outstanding work done by Jerry Straw and Billy Hopf to accomplish this outstanding record of service. A copy of the inspection report shall be made a part of the minutes.

Relay for Life

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board approve the request by Julie Williams, co-chairperson for the North Posey County Relay For Life, for permission to use the North Posey High School track/football field on Saturday, June 23 at 8:00 a.m. until Sunday, June 24 at 8:00 a.m. for the 2nd Annual Rely For Life. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Bender, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Recommendation of Amanda Reynolds

Mr. Rapp recommended the Board employ Mrs. Amanda Reynolds as a full-time guidance counselor at North Posey High School for the spring semester of 2001. On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the motion unanimously passed.

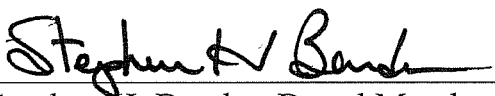
Next Board Meeting

Mr. Rapp established the next regular School Board meeting to be held on Monday, November 13, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. An executive session will be held at 5:30 p.m.

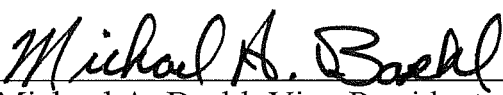
Adjournment

As there was no further school business to come before the Board at this time, Vice-president Baehl entertained a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mrs. Mauck and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

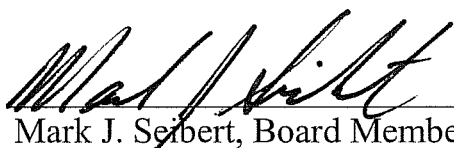
Larry O. Lewis, President



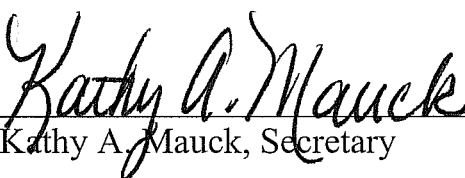
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Michael A. Baehl, Vice-President



Mark J. Seibert, Board Member



Kathy A. Mauck, Secretary

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