

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education
of the
Metropolitan School District of North Posey County, Indiana
Held on January 14, 2002**

A 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 14th day of January 2002. The meeting began at the hour of 6:30 p.m. The following Board members were present:

Larry Lewis— President	Michael Baehl— Vice-President	Kathy Mauck— Secretary
Stephen Bender— Board Member	Mark Seibert— Board Member	John Wood--Superintendent
Todd Armstrong— Administrative Assistant	William Bender— Board Attorney	

Executive Session

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:34 p.m. for the purpose of IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (2a and 2d) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and the purchase or lease of real property by the governing body. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened for the regular meeting at 6:45 p.m. with Board President Larry Lewis calling the meeting to order. Minutes of the previous meetings held on December 10 and December 20, 2001 were submitted to the Board and approved on a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Bender, and unanimously carried. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claim Docket

A copy of the current claim docket was presented to the Board for consideration. Upon a motion made by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Bender, the claim docket was unanimously approved by the Board. A copy of the claim docket shall be made a part of the official minutes by incorporation.

A G E N D A

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendation of Volunteer Group Dental Plan

Mr. Wood asked the Board to approve his recommendation that the Board add a corporation-wide, volunteer group dental plan that is to be paid entirely by those employees who enroll in it. The dental plan will be a one (1) year renewable contract with Health Resources, Inc. (HRI). On a motion by Mrs. Mauck, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

Election of Board Officers, Corporation Treasurer, and Board Attorney

William Bender, Corporation attorney, conducted the election of Board officers for the 2002 year. As this was not a secret ballot, Mike Baehl motioned, seconded by Kathy Mauck to re-elect Larry Lewis as Board president. Steve Bender then amended the motion by including the re-election of Mike Baehl as vice-president, Kathy Mauck as secretary, and appointment of Shannon Gengelbach as Corporation treasurer. Mark Seibert seconded this amendment, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the amendment. The Board then voted unanimously on the original motion. Mr. Baehl then motioned to re-appoint William Bender as School Board attorney. This motion was seconded by Mr. Seibert and unanimously carried.

Establishment of Board of Finance for 2002

Mr. Wood announced that the Board needed to appoint a Board of Finance for the 2002 calendar year. Mr. Baehl nominated Mr. Stephen Bender for president and Mr. Mark Seibert for secretary of the 2002 Board of Finance. Mrs. Mauck seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to assign these two Board members to those respective positions.

Signing of Conflict of Interest Statements

Mr. Wood informed the Board that three (3) individuals in the district were required to sign a Conflict of Interest form that must be filed with the State Board of Accounts. Those three individuals, Stephen Bender, Michael Baehl, and John Wood were present to sign the necessary forms.

Recommendation to Accept Bus Bid

Mr. Armstrong provided a summary of the bid tabulation sheets from the bids opened by he and Mr. William Bender on January 8, 2002. As Nix Bus Sales, Inc. of Poseyville, Indiana provided a bid proposal that had no variance from the bid specifications and a price that was substantially lower than other bids received, Mr. Armstrong had no reservation in recommending that the Board accept their bid in the net amount of \$89,038.40 for two (2) Class C Chevrolet Blue Bird, 270 horsepower gasoline engine 66-passenger school buses. This year's bid price per bus is \$1064 less than last year's per bus cost. On a motion by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Seibert, the Board voted unanimously to accept the bus bid recommendation.

Language Arts/Foreign Language Textbook Adoption Committee

As per request of each building principal, Mr. Armstrong recommended the following teachers and parents as representatives for the 2002 Language Arts/Foreign Language Textbook Adoption Committee.

North Elementary

Teachers: Suzanne Bender
Rick LeGrange

Lisa Brandenstein
Shirley Wood

Parents: Gail Axton

Josie Davis

South Terrace Elementary

Teachers: Fern Montgomery Jan Root
 Barb Schaefer Tom Schapker
Parents: Brett Stock Cindy Stolz

North Posey Junior High

Teachers: Alan McGinnis Linda Reising
 Susan Roberts
Parents: Mr. And Mrs. Jude Blankenberger
 Mr. And Mrs. Roger McBain

North Posey High School

Teachers: Bill Centifanto Pat Hewig
 Michelle Sells Angela Craft
 Debra Whitfield
Parents: Sharon Adler Nancy Herrenbruck
 Pam Hoehn Donna Jeffers
 Jerri Ramsey Debbie Reineke
 Cindy Shemwell Mary Sue Ticken

Mrs. Mauck seconded the motion by Mr. Bender, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendations for the textbook adoption committee.

Retirement of North Elementary Teacher

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board accept the retirement letter submitted by Dorcas Neidig effective at the cessation of 2001-2002 school year. He informed the Board that Dorcas will have completed 36 years of service with North Posey, 34 of which were with first grade students. Mr. Seibert motioned that the Board accept Mrs. Neidig's retirement letter. Upon a second by Mr. Bender, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation. Mr. Wood shared that he would send Dorcas a letter of acceptance at a later date.

Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coaches for 2002 Season

Mr. Wood recommended at the request of Mike Swartzentruber that the Board appoint J.R. Seymour, Danny Embrey, and Justin Schmitt as volunteer assistant baseball coaches for North Posey High School for the 2002 baseball season. Mr. Swartzentruber's request was accompanied by approval from Mr. Camp and Mr. Ferguson. On a motion by Kathy Mauck, seconded by Mike Baehl, the Board vote was unanimous in approving this recommendation.

Professional Leave Requests for the MSD of North Posey County

Mr. Wood recommended approval of the following professional leave requests. He noted that the high school Athletic Department would pay for all athletic requests.

Gayle Blunier	NPHS	January 25, 2002	Evansville Central Vocational Workshop
Jennifer Neidig	NPHS	January 25, 2002	Evansville Central Vocational Workshop
Gary Gentil	NPJHS	February 26, 2002	Jasper— PE Workshop by IDOE
Yvonne Knies	NPJHS	February 26, 2002	Jasper— PE Workshop by IDOE
Joe Gengelbach	NPHS	March 15, 2002	Indianapolis— Indiana State Football Coach's Association--clinic
Marilyn Rogers	NPHS	February 7-8, 2002	Indianapolis— Hoosier Association of Science Teachers-convention
Charles Mair	NPHS	March 4, 2002	Indianapolis— Indiana Coaches of Girls' Sports Association-conference
Michelle Sells	NPHS	March 4, 2002	Indianapolis— Indiana Coaches of Girls' Sports Association-conference
Mike Swartzentruber	NPHS	January 18, 2002	Indianapolis— Indiana High School Baseball Coach's Association-clinic
Walt Gleim	NPJHS	March 17-19, 2002	Indianapolis— Indiana Interscholastic Athletic Administrator's Association-conference
Eda Jung	NPHS	March 3-4, 2002	Indianapolis— Indiana Volleyball Coach's Association--conference

On a motion by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, the Board voted unanimously to approve the professional leave requests.

Medical Leave Request for South Terrace Elementary Teacher

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board approve the request by Barbara Cooper to have a minimum of six (6) weeks medical leave, pending major surgery beginning on January 22, 2002. She will utilize her accumulated sick leave in order to be paid during this absence. Mr. Bender motioned, seconded by Mr. Baehl, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the medical leave request.

Expenditure of Extracurricular Funds at NPHS

Mr. Wood asked the Board to approve a request by Mr. Camp to spend accumulated extracurricular funds to purchase 13 new computers for the CADD lab at North Posey High School. The computers currently in the CADD lab will have their hard drives formatted and new software loaded so they can be utilized throughout the building to complete an earlier goal of having every teacher in the building on-line with the high school network. The total cost of the computers is \$13,174.50. Mr. Wood also asked the Board to approve a request by Mr. Sergesketter to spend accumulated extracurricular funds to purchase a used Minolta

photocopy machine. The cost of this piece of equipment is \$2,000.00. The Board voted unanimously in support of the motion and second by Mr. Baehl and Mr. Seibert respectively.

Appointment of Clerk of the Works

Mr. Wood recommended that the Board hire/appoint Larry Lewis as the “Clerk of the Works” for the MSD of North Posey Multi-School Building Corporation retrofitting and renovation construction project. Mr. Baehl made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Mauck, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

REPORTS

Update by Veazy, Parrott, Durkin & Shoulders

Tom Cullum of Veazy, Parrott, Durkin & Shoulders provided an architectural update on the MSD of North Posey County’s upcoming construction project. His discussion included the following:

- ☛ Projects 1 and 2 went out for bids on 1/5/02— Due 2/5/02
 - Roof on North Posey High School
 - Classroom roof at South Terrace Elementary
 - They will move into construction phase as soon as school allows them on the site to begin work.

- ☛ Project 3 bids will go out on 2/21/02— Due 3/21/02
- ☛ They have completed approximately 50% of the construction-drawing phase for electrical and mechanical work (HVAC).
- ☛ Project 4 is the music room and auditorium. No dates available yet for sending out bids, but he estimated approximately 2-3 weeks before they could set a date.
 - This project will include numerous alternate bids.

- ☛ Mr. Cullum also pointed out that the new “clerk of the works” needed to investigate our previous asbestos removal/abatement because it is very costly if additional asbestos has to be removed after beginning the project. Mr. Lewis assured the Board that he would look into this.

ISTEP+ Scores for Fall 2001

Mr. Armstrong provided charts, tables, and a brief overview of the fall administration of ISTEP+ and GQE 2001. He explained our district’s student scores in comparison with statewide averages and identified strengths, as well as weaknesses and how they will be addressed. He then answered a couple of questions regarding the number of high school students that still need to pass the GQE and the various remediation efforts the schools are making.

Johnson Controls Performance Report


Mr. Wood described the performance report that Craig Hunnicutt, Lead Performance Assurance Specialist for Johnson Controls, submitted for the MSD of North Posey County regarding net cost avoidance savings of \$29, 417 between March and October 2001.

Future School Board Meetings

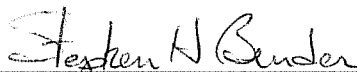
The next regular meeting will be held on February 11, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. with Executive Session scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment

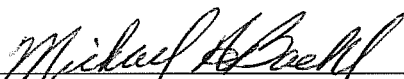
As there was no further business to come before the Board, president Larry Lewis entertained a motion to adjourn by Mr. Baehl, seconded by Mr. Seibert, and unanimously carried. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:48 p.m.



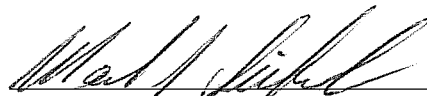
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