

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

**Held on December 8, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the boardroom at the office of the Superintendent of Schools on December 8, 2008. The meeting was scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. The following Board members were present:

- John Wood, Superintendent
- Todd Camp, Assistant Superintendent
- Larry Lewis, President
- Mike Baehl, Vice President
- Kathy Mauck, Secretary
- Steve Bender, Board Member
- Mark Seibert, Board Member

**Executive Session**

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:00 p.m. The Board adjourned the Executive Session at 5:30 p.m.

**Regular Meeting**

The Board of Education convened for the regular meeting at 5:37 p.m. with Board President, Larry Lewis, calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes of the previous meeting, held on November 10, 2008, were submitted to the Board. Upon a motion made by Mr. Baehl, and seconded by Mr. Seibert, the minutes were approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

**Claim Docket**

A copy of the claim docket for the period of November 11, 2008 to December 8, 2008 was presented to the Board for consideration. Upon a motion made by Mr. Bender, seconded by Mr. Baehl, the claim docket was approved with a 5 to 0 vote. A copy of the approved claim docket shall be made a part of the official minutes by incorporation.

**New Business**

Mr. Wood asked the Board to pass a resolution to borrow up to \$5,000,000 to protect the corporation's cash flow due to the county's inability to correct the tax collection problems that have existed in 2007 and 2008. This problem has cost Posey County taxpayers an excess of \$65,000 in interest for MSD of North Posey alone. Mr. Baehl made a motion to approve the request and hopes the county can fix the problem soon, and Mr. Seibert seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Mr. Wood asked the Board to approve the transfer of appropriations within the Funds to allow all accounts within the Funds to close the year with all bills paid in full. Mrs. Mauck made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Baehl seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 to 0.

*Mr. Lewis had to excuse himself from the meeting and Mr. Baehl assumed the responsibility of the meeting.*

Mr. Camp presented a fixed fuel price for the 2009-10 school year and recommended the Board enter into the agreement for the school year. Mr. Bender made a motion to approve the agreement and Mr. Seibert seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0. A copy of the agreement will be made part of the minute by incorporation.

Mrs. Carlton had submitted a request to declare a laminator at South Terrace as surplus equipment and be properly discarded. Parts cannot be obtained to repair the equipment. Mr. Seibert made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Bender seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Scott Schmitt, teacher at North Posey High School, had submitted a request to attend the Indiana Music Educators Association State Convention in Indianapolis on January 22 & 23, 2009 with several NPHS students. Adi Palmer, Lucas Wassmer, and Alex Coulter have been selected to be on various All-State Musical Performing Groups. Adi was accepted into the All-State Percussion Ensemble, Lucas was accepted into the All-State Choir, and Alex was accepted into the All-State Percussion Ensemble. Mrs. Mauck made a motion to approve the trip, with their sincerest congratulations to these students, and Mr. Bender seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Matt Wadsworth, boys' basketball coach at NPHS, and Jerry Williams, youth basketball director, had submitted a request to hold an AAU Basketball Tournament March 12 – 14, 2009 at NPHS. It also included the request for the school to provide a custodian as they have in the past. Virgil Ferguson, athletic director, has been informed of the dates and will be given the final schedule once it is completed. Mr. Bender made a motion to approve the request and Mrs. Mauck seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Mr. Camp submitted a request for the approval of the textbook committees for the corporation for the adoption of Social Studies textbooks. These committees have been approved by the association. Mrs. Mauck made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Bender seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

## **Personnel**

Gary Gentil had submitted a request to approve Darrel Graves, Jerry Redman, and Mike Clem as unpaid volunteer coaches for NPHS girls' softball for the 2009 season. Mr. Bender made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Seibert seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Shannon Schickel, NPHS teacher, requested maternity leave beginning around February 17, 2009 and lasting for approximately six weeks. Mr. Bender made a motion to approve the request, and Mrs. Mauck seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

### Professional Leave

Mr. Wood presented the following requests for approval for professional leave. Mr. Seibert made a motion to approve the requests and Mr. Bender seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 to 0.

Name	School	Location of Meeting	Reason/Date
Linda Crick Scott Strieter	NPJHS NPHS	SIEC Office Jasper IN	End of Course Assessment Meeting January 14, 2009
Tom Brown Shari Luebbe Linda Reising Sydney Russler Pam Schmitt John Spencer	NPJHS	Nashville, TN	“Co-Teaching That Works” Conference January 12, 2009
Scott Schmitt	NPHS	Indianapolis	IMEA State Convention January 22-23, 2009

### Reports

Todd Camp reported on the bus accident in Lafayette on November 15, 2008.

Todd Camp gave a detailed report on ISTEP.

### Next Board Meeting

There will be a Special Board Meeting will be Monday, January 5, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. to swear in newly elected Board members and to conduct the election for 2009 School Board Officers.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be Monday, January 12, 2009 with Executive Session to begin at 5:30 p.m. and the Regular Meeting to begin at 6:30 p.m.

### Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Bender, and carried with a 4 to 0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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Larry O. Lewis, President

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Stephen H. Bender, Board Member

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Vice-President

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Mark J. Seibert, Board Member

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Kathy A. Mauck, Secretary

**Board of Education**  
**MSD of North Posey County**

Minutes Approved as Written \_\_\_\_\_  
Date