

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

April 12, 2021

A meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the library of South Terrace Elementary School, on April 12, 2021. The following Board members were present:

- Michael Galvin, Superintendent
- Gregory U. Schmitt, Vice President
- Amy J. Will, Secretary
- Vincent F. Oakley, Member
- Larry Kahle, Member

Executive Session

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. at South Terrace Elementary School for the purpose of discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems as well as to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:37 p.m.

Regular Meeting

The Board of Education convened for the regular meeting at 6:43 p.m. with President, Geoff Gentil, calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Patron Concerns

No patrons were present to address the Board.

Minutes, Claim Docket and Consent Items

Mr. Gentil asked the Board for a motion to approve the consent items as listed:

- Minutes of the previous meeting on March 8, 2021.
- Claim Docket for the period March 8, 2021 to April 12, 2021.
- The following FMLA and/or personal leave requests:
 - Jamie Wade: Personal Leave May 3-7, 2021 for her child's National Cheer Competition
 - Nancy Will: Personal Leave May 17-21, 2021 to help her child move to Iowa
- The following resignations/retirements:
 - Donnetta Morrow: North Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher; retirement after 35 years of service to MSD of North Posey County
 - Susan Henze: District Librarian; retirement after 25 years of service, 17 of those with MSD of North Posey
 - Erik Mattingly: North Posey High School Chemistry Teacher

- Anne Scherer: North Elementary School Special Education Teacher
- Shelbi Newcomer: South Terrace Computer Tech Coordinator effective April 9, 2021
- The following hiring, transfer, and volunteer requests:
 - Morgan Daly: Science Teacher at North Posey High School effective 2021-2022 school year

Mrs. Will made a motion to approve the consent items as presented and Mr. Oakley seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 to 0. Mr. Galvin and the Board expressed their gratitude to Mrs. Morrow and Mrs. Henze for their years of dedication to MSD of North Posey and wished them all the best in their future endeavors.

New Business

Heather Morlan was present to address the Board regarding a summer lunch program that the Poseyville Library would like to sponsor. In addition, Mrs. Morlan informed the Board of an issue the Library is having with the tax dollars from Robinson Township. She explained that although Robinson Township is in MSD of North Posey’s district the library tax dollars are allocated to Alexandrian Library in Mt. Vernon. Mrs. Morlan asked the Board to assist her in trying to correct this issue by writing a letter of support to change Robinson Township from Alexandrian to Poseyville Carnegie. Mr. Kahle made a motion to approve the request for the Board to show their support and Mr. Oakley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 4 to 0 vote. Mrs. Will then made a motion to approve the summer lunch program for MSD of North Posey students sponsored by Poseyville Carnegie Library and Mr. Kahle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 4 to 0 vote.

Mr. Galvin presented for consideration the proposal for lawn care by A Cut Above LLC. A Request for Proposals (RFP) for lawn care was advertised beginning March 9, 2021, and sealed bids were opened at the district office on March 19, 2021. A Cut Above was the only bidder for this service. Below are A Cut Above’s proposed costs:

Facility	2021 Proposed Cost (Cost Per Cut)
	A Cut Above LLC
NPHS/NPJHS Complex	\$770.00
South Terrace Elementary School	\$320.00
North Elementary/CO Complex	\$290.00
NP Clinic	\$50.00
Proposed Cost for All (Cost Per Cut)	\$1,430.00

After some discussion of the bid process, Mr. Kahle made a motion to approve the request and Mrs. Will seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 3 to 1 vote with Mr. Oakley voting against. Mr. Oakley indicated he was only voting no because we only received one (1) bid for this service.

Mr. Galvin presented for consideration Wabash Valley Service’s proposed fuel pricing contract.

Product	Contract Period	Gallons	Price/Gal
#2 Ultra Clear	9/1/21 – 5/31/22	5,000	\$2.1270
87 Octane w/eth	9/1/21 – 10/31/21	5,000	\$2.039

Mr. Oakley made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Kahle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 4 to 0 vote.

Mr. Galvin presented for consideration Dr. Strieter’s request to remove “Preparing for College and Careers” as a requirement of North Posey High School graduates. Mr. Oakley made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Kahle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 4 to 0 vote.

Mr. Galvin presented for consideration the adoption recommendation of the Elementary, Junior High, and High School for the social studies textbook. Donna McGinness, Traci Newcomer, and Kelly Thompson were present to provide an overview of the new textbooks. Mrs. Will made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Kahle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 4 to 0 vote.

Mr. Galvin presented for consideration a proposal to alter the 2021-2022 school calendar to change the early dismissal days to virtual days during the months of August, September, October, November, and January to permit teachers to complete professional development for curriculum mapping. After much discussion, Mr. Oakley made a motion to approve the request and Mrs. Will seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 4 to 0 vote.

Personnel

Professional Leave

Mr. Galvin presented the following professional leave requests:

Name	School	Date/Reason	Location	Approx Cost/Fund
Matthew Cox Cody Moll	NPHS	May 7, 2021 Spring Coaching Clinic	Indianapolis	\$70.00 + Sub Costs ECA Fund

Upon a motion made by Mr. Oakley and seconded by Mr. Kahle, to approve the professional leave requests with a 4 to 0 vote.

Reports and Information

- COVID-19 Update
- Good News Report
- Fuel Report

Next Board Meeting

The next Regular Board meeting will be Monday, May 10, 2021 in the library at North Elementary School. Executive session will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the regular meeting to begin at 6:30 p.m. A retirement reception for Dr. Camp, Dr. Bender, and Mr. Bender will be held following our regular meeting.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kahle, seconded by Mrs. Will. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Not Present

Geoffrey A. Gentil, President

Gregory U. Schmitt, Vice President

Amy J. Will, Secretary

Vincent F. Oakley, Member

Larry A. Kahle, Member

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