

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

March 13, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Education of the MSD of North Posey County, Poseyville, Indiana, was held in the Board office of MSD of North Posey County, on March 13, 2023. The following Board members were present:

- Dr. Michael Galvin, Superintendent
- Michelle Walden, Assistant Superintendent
- Gregory U. Schmitt, President
- Vincent F. Oakley, Vice President
- Amy J. Will, Secretary
- Larry Kahle, Member
- Lindsey Bowers, Member

Executive Session

The Board convened the Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of IC 5-14- 1.5-6.1 (9) to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.

Regular Meeting

The Board of Education convened for the regular meeting at 6:38 p.m. with President, Greg Schmitt, calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Patron Concerns

There were no patrons present to address the Board.

Student Recognition

Traci Newcomer, North Elementary Fourth Grade Teacher, was present to recognize Parker Weber's recent accomplishment. Parker was the first student in Indiana to complete all 16 learning tracks in Rocket Math. Rocket Math is a program that helps students to learn math facts, including addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and fractions. There have been only 20 students in the United States to meet this accomplishment and most of them have been middle school students. Parker showed the Board his trophy and certificate from Rocket Math and discussed his accomplishment with them.

Minutes, Claim Docket and Consent Items

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

- Minutes of the previous meeting on February 13, 2023.
- Claim Docket for the period February 13, 2023 to March 13, 2023.
- The following FMLA and/or personal leave requests:

- Lydia Hoops: North Elementary Instructional Assistant - FMLA request for intermittent leave from March 2, 2023 through approximately May 26, 2023
- Mary Gish: Bus Driver – FMLA request from March 27 until approximately April 17, 2023
- Teri Kelley: North Elementary Cafeteria Worker – Personal Leave Request from March 20-24, 2023.
- Faith Droege – South Terrace Instructional Assistant – Personal Leave Request from May 17-22, 2023
- Bonnie Gilles: North Posey High School Maintenance Assistant and Bus Driver – Personal Leave Request from September 25-29, 2023.
- The following resignations/retirements:
 - Joan Livers: South Terrace Elementary Instructional Assistant Resignation
 - Courtney Bittner: North Posey Junior High School Volleyball Coach Resignation
 - Morgan Daly: North Posey High School Girls’ Golf Coach Resignation
 - Derek Sweeney: North Posey High School Girls’ Soccer Head Coach Resignation
 - Jessica Moll: North Posey High School Cross Country Coach Resignation
 - Traci Newcomer: North Posey High School Cross Country Coach Resignation
- The following hiring, transfer, and volunteer requests:
 - Bobbie (Jodie) Rankin: Deputy Treasurer for the District effective March 6, 2023
 - Ashley Morrow: Instructional Assistant for North Elementary School effective March 20, 2023
- The following overnight and/or out of state field trip and athletic camp requests:
 - Mike MacMunn and Catherine Broshears: Students from the AP Classes to go to Garden of the Gods April 3, 2023.
 - Brandon Barrett: A four-day, all-inclusive field trip to Philadelphia, PA in March 2024. The price of the trip is \$1,085.00 and will be student paid. Students wishing to attend will have fundraising opportunities to reduce their costs.
 - Carrie Schmitt and Brandon Barrett: A nine-day, all-inclusive trip to Germany, Austria, and Switzerland in June of 2025. The price of the trip is \$4,042.00 for students; \$4,342.00 for parents/chaperones and will be paid by each attendee. Fundraising opportunities to reduce the costs will be available.
- The following facility use requests:
 - Purdue University to use the High School auditorium for the Posey County-H Performing Arts Contest on Friday, April 28, 2023, from 5:00-9:00 p.m.
 - Purdue University to use the High School auditorium for the Posey County-H Performing Arts Contest on Friday, May 12, 2023, from 5:00-9:00 p.m.
- Additional Items
 - Recurring Contract with University of Southern Indiana for clinical interns and teacher candidates.
 - Technology department request to surplus miscellaneous items.

Mr. Oakley made a motion to approve the consent items as presented and Mr. Kahle seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

New Business

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the preliminary proposal for Summer School 2023 to offer Category I summer school classes at all locations. The Department of Education defines Category I classes as Reading for grades 1-3 and any course that counts towards graduation, including Electives, for grades 9-12. The corporation will require the state minimum of at least 15 to 1 teacher to student ratio to offer the classes. Mrs. Will made a motion to approve the request and Mrs. Bowers seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration a recommendation from Mr. Jake Riecken, Director of Technology, to accept the quote from Bluum USA, Inc for Algo IP solutions for intercom/paging/clock services. Although they did not submit the lowest bid, Mr. Riecken feels their digital system will better serve our needs in comparison to the Architectural Sales' analog system. Quotes were received from three (3) vendors.

Vendor	Total Price (All Buildings)
Bluum USA, Inc	\$245,585.77
Architectural Sales	\$215,825.00
New Era Technology	\$340,199.00

Dr. Galvin indicated that most of this project, \$198,940.00, will be paid through the 2022 General Obligation Bond with the remainder of the cost to be paid through the Operations Fund. Mr. Oakley made a motion to approve the recommendation and Mrs. Bowers seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the 2023 Summer Projects. Mrs. Will made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Oakley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the contract with AdTec for the Capital Asset Ledger Services for three years at the cost of \$7,850.00 per year for 2023, 2025, and 2027. Mrs. Will made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Oakley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5 to 0 vote.

Personnel

Professional Leave

Dr. Galvin presented the following professional leave requests:

Name	School	Date/Reason	Location	Approx Cost/Fund
Michelle Walden	CO	March 1 & 15, April 12, May 3 & 24, and June 21, 2023 Indiana Aspiring Superintendent Academy	Indianapolis Greenwood Virtual	\$3,070.00 + Van Use Operation Fund

Mark Kirkman	NPHS	March 15, 2023 USI CAP Training	USI	Sub Costs Only Education Fund
Chelsea Johnson Jacob Riecken Sherri Schroeder Brian Wilson	District Tech Dept	March 23, 2023 Bluum Tech Tour	Indianapolis	\$120.00 + Van Use Education & Operation Funds
Christopher Barker	NPJHS	April 6, 2023 PAC Athletic Director Meeting	Huntingburg	Sub Costs Only JHS ECA Fund

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Will and seconded by Mr. Oakley, to approve the professional leave requests with a 5 to 0 vote.

Reports and Information

- Good News Report
- Legislative Update

Next Board Meeting

There will be Special Board Meeting Monday, April 3, 2023, in the Board office to discuss the proposed renewal contract of the superintendent. The public meeting shall begin at 5:30 p.m. with a work session of the Board to follow.

The next Regular Board meeting will be Tuesday, April 11, 2023, in the Board office. Executive session, if needed, will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the regular meeting to begin at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Oakley, seconded by Mr. Kahle. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Gregory U. Schmitt, President

Vincent F. Oakley, Vice President

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