

**MINUTES OF A
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF
PERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA**

November 12, 2018

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana, held a regular board meeting on Monday, November 12, 2018 at the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Board of Education members present:

Edward T. Denning, Board President
Emily Hartman, Board Vice President
Collin C. Fultz, Board Member
Charles R. Mercer, Jr., Board Member
Steve Johnson, Board Member
Jon P. Morris, Board Member

Board of Education members not present:

Kenneth J. Mertz, Board Secretary

Administrative staff present:

Mr. Patrick W. Mapes, Superintendent
Mr. Chris Sampson, Associate Superintendent of Operations
Mr. Bob Bohannon, Assistant Superintendent of Career Preparation, 6-12
Mrs. Vickie Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Foundational Learning, Pre K-5
Mr. Mike Bagley, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Matthew Willey, Chief Technology Officer

OPENING OF THE REGULAR MEETING

President Ed Denning called the regular board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

RECOGNITION

Mrs. Carpenter recognized six elementary students who scored a perfect score on the 2018 ISTEP test: Sean Dolan, Zalian Hualngo, Leah Pierini, David Ruat, Baker Cranfill and Daniel Rosario.

Mr. Bohannon recognized the following students:

- Colleen Li who received a perfect score on ISTEP Grade 6 Math.
- Jude Hunt who received a perfect score on ISTEP Grade 6 Science.
- Jaydon Clay who received a perfect score on ISTEP Grade 8 Math.
- Dade Fogleman, Makayla Gomperts, Anthony Lin and Tyler Montgomery received perfect scores on ISTEP Grade 10 Math.

Mr. Mapes recognized the following art teachers in the district who volunteered their time and talents to sketch, draw and paint rooms in the Survive Alive House. They began their work and creations from blank white walls. Approximately 20,000 children participate in the Survive Alive program on a yearly basis. Thank you to: Bruce Thompson (SHS Art Department Chair), Jennifer Bastien (SA6), Breanna Bierod (SHS), Rachel Hill (AL), Kayla Shouse (SHS), and Tina White (SES)

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda by Mr. Johnson. It was seconded by Mr. Fultz. The motion passed 6/0. Included with these minutes are copies of the following items:

- Minutes of the October 29, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- Financial Report for September 2018
- Allowance of Vouchers
- Personnel Report
- Approval of Professional Travel Requests
- Report to Board on Travel beyond 75 miles by Certified Staff
- Fundraiser Requests

- Approval of Acceptance of Donations:

Perry Meridian Middle School

Request approval of \$250 donation from Superior Essex for the PMMS Special Education Department. The donation will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for families in need.

- Approval to amend cyber liability insurance in the Old National Brokerage Agreement
- Approval of Wooded Glen Agreement for Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy Staff Retreat
- Approval of Renewal of C-9 Partnership Agreement with Perry Township Schools

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Bagley recommended approval of the Pension Bond Analysis Professional Services Agreement with William Brown. Mr. Morris moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of the Blue Bird Bus Replacement bids. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval of an agreement with New Tech Network. Teachers at Southport Elementary School will be virtually connected to educators across the country implementing Project Based Learning and also have access to virtual professional development from New Tech Network and an online library of projects. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Willey recommended approval of the Smart Learning Suite renewal for the district with Tierney. Smart Learning Suite consists of Notebook, Amp, and home teacher usage. A discussion was held regarding the increase in cost. Mr. Willey explained the price increase was due to several circumstances: (1) the company was bought by another company, (2) the package(s) offered by the new company changed, and (3) the change from Smartboard to a different model of board and the technology built within. This is a 2-year contract. Are there alternatives we can use? There are no alternatives to running Smart Notebook. All of our devices can run without it and they work with an interactive board, but the lessons our teachers have in Smart Notebook will only work with Smart Notebook. Mr. Morris moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Willey recommended approval of a renewal with Renaissance (formerly Capstone/myOn) for our K-6 site license to myOn Reader and myOn News. After reviewing our usage data and positive teacher feedback, we would like to renew both of these programs. Students have read 101,270 books and spent 22,570 hours reading. The Capstone library provides unlimited use of books. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of an agreement between Marian University and Perry Township Schools to place student teaching residents in their fifth year of completion of their teacher education program in our school district. The partnership will help create a pipeline of potential teacher candidates trained in the National Institute of Excellence Teaching best practices. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Fultz seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of Energy Systems Group as the guaranteed energy savings provider for the projects related to energy savings for the district. Two companies submitted proposals in response to our request for proposals. After evaluating both proposals, the selection committee chose Energy systems Group. The focus of projects will be related to, but not limited to LED lighting conversions. Upon board approval, Energy systems Group will begin lighting audits of our buildings, parking lots and stadiums. Mr. Johnson asked if we will see the savings from year to year. Yes, it is required by state law that the savings must be reported quarterly. Mr. Johnson moved to approve, Mr. Mercer seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Morris stated it was exciting for the students with perfect ISTEP scores. I am curious to know if other corporations did as well and what they are doing differently.

Mr. Fultz echoed congratulations to the students with perfect scores on the ISTEP test, and to their families and teachers. He thanked the schools for their Veterans programs. I attended Rosa Parks and Southport Elementary's programs. Mr. Fultz thanked the veterans in our community and on our school board for their service. A happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

Mr. Morris stated he attended the Veterans program at Perry Meridian High School. The musicians and choir and program were magnificent.

Mr. Mercer congratulated our students who received a perfect score in ISTEP. Everyone have a happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Johnson congratulated Mr. Fultz and Mrs. Dale on being elected to the school board. I look forward to working with you the next few years.

Mrs. Hartman congratulated Mr. Fultz and Mrs. Dale on being elected to the school board. She thanked Mr. Mapes for his work on the fundraiser program. Almost every penny will be staying in our township; 80% of profits are going to the team/club versus 50% in the past. The remaining funds will go towards the Perry Township Education Foundation. It is a win-win for everyone. I greatly appreciate Mr. Mapes pursuing this and to the Education Foundation for their collaboration and support of students and teachers. Mrs. Hartman thanked the schools for their Veterans programs.

Mr. Denning echoed congratulations on student performance and leadership from teachers and administration. It is always awesome to congratulate this many students and their parents at a board meeting. He congratulated Mr. Fultz and Mrs. Dale on the recent election. Everyone have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Mr. Mapes echoed the congratulations on perfect ISTEP scores. Our student performance is unbelievable! I am overwhelmed with the number of students with perfect scores in different subject areas. Our teachers and administrators, and our support staff do a fantastic job working with students. Each meeting I try to recognize a group within the district. One of the groups' unheralded heroes is our custodians. They do a fantastic job and at times we forget to recognize them. Events and programs cannot happen in our buildings without coordination of these events and keeping our buildings clean for students to learn. During this holiday season custodians are setting up, tearing down, setting up again and make sure classrooms and the building are clean. I want to compliment our custodians and all the work they do in our district. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Denning sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

EDWARD T. DENNING, PRESIDENT

EMILY HARTMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

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KENNETH J. MERTZ, SECRETARY

COLLIN C. FULTZ, MEMBER

STEVE JOHNSON, MEMBER

CHARLES R. MERCER JR., MEMBER

JON P. MORRIS, MEMBER