

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

October 2, 2017

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana, held a regular board meeting on Monday, October 2, 2017 at the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Board of Education members present:

Kenneth J. Mertz , Board President
Edward T. Denning, Board Vice President
Jon P. Morris, Board Secretary
Emily Hartman, Board Member
Steve Johnson, Board Member
Steve Maple, Board Member
Charles R. Mercer, Jr., Board Member

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
Mr. Louis Norris, Associate Director of Human Relations/Student Services

OPENING OF THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

President Ken Mertz called the board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and observed a moment of silence for those affected by the tragedy in Las Vegas yesterday. The Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance were presented by Girl Scout Troop 1046 from Rosa Parks Elementary and led by Mrs. Christy Ryan and Mrs. Cara Adam.

RECOGNITION

Southport High School Guidance Department counselors and director were recognized for being named an Indiana Department of Education 2017 Gold Star School. The counselors are: Tricia Bender, Keegan Fox, Lamont Rasco, Erin Shimp, and Briana Underwood. The guidance department is led by guidance director, Julie Fierce. Congratulations!

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda by Mr. Johnson. It was seconded by Mrs. Hartman.

The motion passed 7/0. Included with these minutes are copies of the following items:

- Minutes of the September 11, 2017 Budget Hearing and Regular Board Meeting
- August Financial Report
- 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:

1. A \$1,000 grant from D.J. Angus was awarded to Abraham Lincoln Elementary to purchase items for the MakerSpace area in the school library.
2. A large rolling book shelf was donated by Barnes and Noble Bookstores to Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy for storage of books in the school lending library.
3. 432 biscuits and 324 sausage patties were donated by Aramark Catering to Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy for the Grandparents' breakfast.
4. A \$150 gift card was donated by Walmart to Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy to purchase breakfast items for the Grandparents' breakfast.
5. A \$1,100 donation from Louis and Barbara Ruttle was donated to Homecroft Elementary to help students/families to be able to go the 5th Grade Bradford Woods trip.
6. A \$500 donation from Greenwood Orthopedics to Perry Meridian High School to go towards athletic department equipment and supplies.
7. A \$500 donation from Stonemor Indiana Subsidiary, LLC to Southport Middle School to be used for Art Department supplies.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of the contract with Stair Associates, Inc. to replace the Southport High School chiller. Mr. Denning moved to approve, Mr. Maple seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of the low bid from Lehman's Inc. of Anderson via Stair Associates, Inc. for the Southport High School chiller replacement. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Morris seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Willey recommended approval of a renewal contract with Five Star for the Pivot Data Warehouse. This will provide a continuing site license for access to Pivot for all staff and students. Mr. Morris moved to approve, Mr. Denning seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of out-of-state travel requests. Mr. Denning moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION NOT REQUIRING ACTION

Future construction projects involving PMA, PMMS, SA and SMS were presented.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Mercer had no comment.

Mr. Johnson expressed his heart goes out to the Woodward family.

Mr. Maple acknowledged the media who attended the meeting.

Mrs. Hartman stated donations are a part of the Consent agenda. Outside organizations, community members and parents support our township by giving donations. I wish to thank you. We truly live in a great community where educators, administrators, businesses and families support our township. Thank you.

Mrs. Jane Pollard is scheduled to visit schools in Illinois with a Congolese population. This is another wonderful connection with a school community who has this population that is a dialect not spoken here on a regular basis. I am excited that our district collaborates with other school districts and companies to share knowledge and information to better our students. In regards to construction, I wish to commend the staff who have faithfully managed our funds so that we don't accrue more debt. Thank you Mr. Bagley for all you do.

Mrs. Megan Woodward was a wonderful teacher who impacted students. It is my prayer that we practice how she lived: to give of ourselves unselfishly and challenge students. I pray that we make a difference because that is what she would do. Thank you Megan.

Mr. Morris enjoyed observing the Coach Hathaway Run. It was quite an event and well attended. Congratulations to the SHS Guidance Counselors for their achievement. It is so important that our staffs work closely with our students. I wish in the future there could be a counselor at the elementary schools. There are boys and girls at that age that

need that support and counseling just as much as in high school. I will be away for a time as I have open heart surgery this week.

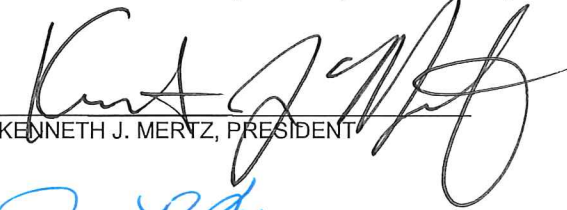
Mr. Denning echoed the feelings about Mrs. Woodward. She will be missed.

Mr. Mertz echoed the sentiments for the Woodward family. He spoke about the SHS Homecoming Parade and the crowd. He thanked Mr. Hanley and others who work hard to organize the parade event.

Mr. Mapes stated he sees a lot of great things going on in our buildings as he visits schools and classrooms, observing activities and lessons our teachers are leading. Exciting things are going on in our buildings. I want to recognize Mr. Brian Knight and the SHS administration for their work in the first 10 weeks and for providing a safe and nurturing environment for the students and staff and in leading them. Many people have shared Mrs. Woodward was a great teacher and a great role model for our students. She will be greatly missed for many years to come. Perry Township Schools expresses their sincere condolences and will help do whatever we can to help the family during this difficult time.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Mertz sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.


KENNETH J. MERTZ, PRESIDENT


EDWARD T. DENNING, VICE PRESIDENT


JON P. MORRIS, SECRETARY


EMILY HARTMAN, MEMBER


STEVE JOHNSON, MEMBER


STEPHEN M. MAPLE, MEMBER


CHARLES R. MERCER JR., MEMBER