

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

November 13, 2017

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana, held a regular board meeting on Monday, November 13, 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

OPENING OF THE MEETING

President Ken Mertz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

RECOGNITION

Mr. Shaun Pennington, 5th grade teacher at Rosa Parks Elementary was recognized for seizing the opportunity to expand his students' learning by having the students become, "Certified Kind." The students participated in three activities: design a t-shirt that answers the question "What does kindness look like?", participate in classroom discussion about precepts to live by, and fill a jar with kindness by using marbles to represent acts of kindness. Mr. Pennington's class read the novel, Wonder by R.J. Palacio. The book is about a boy born with facial differences that have prevented him from going to a mainstream school. His family, new classmates and the larger community all struggle to discover their compassion and acceptance.

Lydia Andrews, 5th grade student at Rosa Parks Elementary was recognized for designing a t-shirt "Kindness is not an option, it's a chain reaction." Lydia's shirt was one of only eight students nationwide selected. Proceeds from the shirt will go to the My Face and the Children's Craniofacial Organization.

Mrs. Amy Boone was recognized as being selected as the Indiana Association of School Principals District 7 Assistant Principal of the Year.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda by Mr. Denning. 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 25, 2017 Special Board Meeting and Budget Adoption Hearing and Public Work Session and October 2, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

- September 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:
- Pre-approved Surplus Items

The following were introduced as assistant principals of a kindergarten academy:

Brian Witt, Assistant Principal of Jeremiah Gray Kindergarten Academy
Stacey Snyder, Assistant Principal of Homecroft Kindergarten Academy
Stacy Knoop, Assistant Principal of Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy
Angela Swails, Assistant Principal of Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of Southport Middle, Southport 6th Grade Academy, Perry Meridian Middle and Perry 6th Grade Academy project to renovate and construct learning spaces as the district's enrollment continues to grow. Mr. Morris moved to approve, Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

RECESS THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The regular board meeting was recessed.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Mertz opened the public hearing.

Mr. Bagley discussed increasing the appropriation in the current Strong Schools Construction fund. Once the current construction projects are completed, this fund will have approximately 9 million dollars in operating balance. These funds will be used to begin the middle schools and 6th grade academy projects.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Mertz adjourned the public hearing

RECONVENE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

Mr. Mertz reconvened the regular business meeting.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Bagley recommended approval of the additional appropriation resolution 17-012. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Maple seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bagley recommended approval of the Bond Bank Fuel Budget Resolution. The program protects the district for the calendar year 2018 from potential diesel fuel price spikes. This is the eighth year of participation in this program. Mr. Johnson moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bagley recommended approval to amend the Old National Brokerage Services agreement to include cyber liability insurance. The coverage will pay for response costs, notification expenses and credit monitoring if a privacy breach occurs in our system. Mr. Maple moved to approve, Mr. Mercer seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of a science course change at Southport High School. SHS requests the addition of Environmental Science for grade levels 11 and 12 beginning with the 2018/2018 school year. Mr. Morris moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of a new physical education course at Perry Meridian High School: Trends in Fitness. Mrs. Hartman moved to approve, Mr. Morris seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval for Perry Meridian High School Advanced Art students to attend a field trip to the Art Institute of Chicago on December 2 and 3, 2017. Mr. Johnson moved to approve, Mr. Denning seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bohannon and Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval of the 2017-2018 Teacher Handbook. Mr. Morris moved to approve, Mr. Maple seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of a contract with Hix Inc. Wrecker Service. Mr. Denning moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of Skillman Amendment #9, Additions/Renovations to Perry Meridian 6th Grade Academy, Perry Meridian Middle, Southport 6th Grade Academy and Southport Middle School projects. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Maple seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of a partnership with Olivet Nazarene University that will provide discounted degree programs and coursework, team and organizational assessments, training and development workshops, on-demand learning and university facilities. Mr. Johnson moved to approve, Mr. Denning seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of a 2.75% increase for administrators and directors. Mr. Maple moved to approve, Mr. Mercer seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of the 2017-2018 Administrative Handbook. Mrs. Hartman moved to approve, Mr. Morris seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Mertz welcomed back Mr. Morris; good to have you back. Congratulations to our recognitions and to the kindergarten academy assistant principals.

Mr. Johnson had no comment.

Mr. Maple had no comment.

Mrs. Hartman congratulated Mr. Pennington on his efforts on a meaningful project for his 5th grade class. She congratulated Lydia Andrews on her winning design. Mrs. Hartman highly recommended reading Wonder.

Mr. Morris stated it is good to be back. He congratulated those recognized. We have a situation where we have an abundance of students especially in the upcoming 6-8th grades. Mr. Morris thanked those who worked on a resolution to this situation.

Mr. Denning stated it is good to have you back, Mr. Morris. Kudos to Mrs. Morris in taking care of Mr. Morris. He congratulated all of those who were recognized.

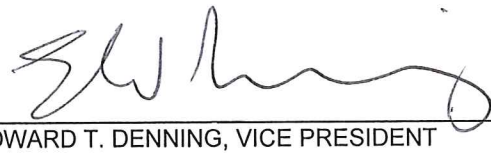
Mr. Mertz thanked the principals of the sixth grade academies and principals for their time and work. I appreciate we are addressing the issue of space now and not down the road. He congratulated those who were recognized and the kindergarten academy assistant principals.

Mr. Mapes echoed congratulations to all who were recognized. He thanked Mr. Sampson, Mr. Bagley, Mr. Schott, Mr. Bohannon, and the building principals: Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Quinlan, Mr. Ralston and Mr. Romine for their time, work and efforts. Mr. Mapes thanked the board for approving the administrative raises. You have an outstanding administrative team and it is well deserved. He also thanked the schools' for hosting veterans' programs. A gentleman/grandfather who was a guest from the state of Illinois took the time to thank me and thank the district for having the veterans' programs and stated how valuable they were. He attended both PMHS and PMMS' programs. The gentleman/grandfather is going back to Illinois and make sure they have this in their district so that people understand the lives sacrificed, the time and effort to have the freedoms we have today. Mr. Mapes appreciates teachers and administrators making sure this happens in our schools.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Mertz sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

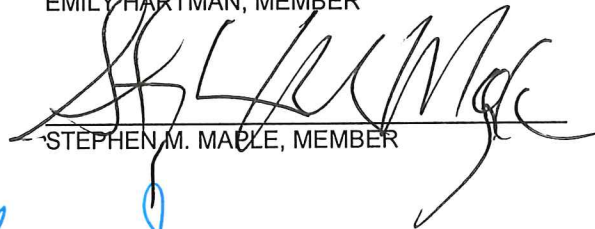

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