MINUTES OF A PUBLIC WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

June 27, 2017

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana, held a public work session on Monday, June 27, 2017 at Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227 at 6:05 p.m.

Board of Education members present:

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

Board of Education members not present:

Emily Hartman, Board Member Stephen M. Maple, Board Member

Administrative Staff present:

Mr. Pat Mapes, Acting Superintendent and Associate Superintendent Mrs. Vickie Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Foundational Learning, Pre K-5 Mr. Mike Bagley, Chief Financial Officer Mrs. Rhonda Jones-Jointer, Director of Human Resources

Administrative Staff not present:

Mr. Bob Bohannon, Assistant Superintendent of Career Preparation, 6-12 Mr. Matthew Willey, Chief Technology Officer

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

Mr. Mertz called the meeting to order at 6.05 p.m.

Mr. Bagley review and discussed new financial guidelines based on new laws passed. House Enrolled Act 1009 eliminates the following funds: General Fund, Transportation Fund, Bus Replacement Fund and the Capital Projects Fund. There are questions as to whether the Operating Referendum Fund is to be eliminated also. This will be verified by the Department of Local Government Finance.

HEA 1009 creates the following funds:

1. Education Fund

- a. Educational expenditures more directly related to the classroom
- b. Teachers, classroom aides, principals, coaches, curriculum office, classroom supplies and equipment (more directly related to the classroom)
- c. Current Operating Referendum Fund Expenditures considered educational? To be verified

2. Operation Fund

- a. Expenditures considered Operational
- b. Transportation, Bus Replacement, Building and Maintenance Projects, Police Department
- c. Current General Fund Expenditures considered Operational
- d. Current Referendum Fund Expenditures considered Operational? To be verified

There are no changes to the following funds within HEA 1009:

- 1. Debt Service Funds (Debt, Pension, Referendum Debt)
- 2. Rainy Day Fund
- 3. Food Service, Worker's Compensation, Textbook Rental

HEA 1009 Funding:

- 1. State Basic Grant will be receipted into the Education Fund
- Board approved transfers can be made to the Operations Fund from the Education Fund. This will be needed to pay those expenditures currently paid out of the General Fund.
- 3. Levies generated for the current Transportation, Bus Replacement and Capital Projects Funds will be receipted into the new Operation Fund.
- 4. The levy generated from the Operation Referendum for Maintenance/Building Projects, Transportation and Bus Replacement will be transferred into the new Operation Fund (?).

HEA 1009 Unknowns:

- 1. State Board of Account New Chart of Accounts
- 2. How the new Chart of Accounts will change categorizing certain support positions (i.e. principal's office staff)
- 3. Timeline for the New Chart of Accounts (Currently July 1, 2018)
- 4. Timing of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and HEA 1009.

Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA):

- 1. ESSA is a federal law
- Requires school districts to keep most financial records by school building. Records involving the
 use of Federal funds (Title and Special Education Grants, State (Basic Grant) and Local Funds
 (property taxes)
- 3. The new State Board of Accounts Chart of Accounts will include school codes
- 4. Timing of ESSA is July 1, 2018
- 5. Timing of HEA 1009 is January 1, 2019

Mr. Mapes stated it is important to know that school business officials, Denny Costerison, along with superintendents and the State Board of Accounts, the Department of Education and the Department of Local Government Finance have a task force to evaluate how this will be done. To change all of our account numbers to place into two funds, that is a huge task for every school corporation in the state of Indiana. This will affect every school district in the state.

Mr. Mapes stated in regards to the ESSA piece, the DOE is drafting a plan for the federal government to review for ESSA. The draft of this will go to the SBOE on July 12. Once approved by the state board, it goes to the governor for approval before it is sent to the federal government which is due by September 30, 2017. The federal government will either approve or send back to the state for revisions. Finances are a part of this. This is a larger accountability umbrella that we and every school district will be a part of over the next 18 months.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

KENNETH J. MERYZ, PRESIDENT	EDWARD T. DENNING, VICE PRESIDENT
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