

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

March 12, 2018

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana, held a regular board meeting on Monday, March 12, 2018 at the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Denning stated Mr. Mertz is unable to be with us this evening.

Board of Education members present:

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

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 MEETING

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

RECOGNITION

Luke Greenwood, PMHS Senior was recognized as the recipient of the President's Volunteer Service Award by Prudential Spirit of Community.

Caroline Kavanaugh, PMHS Senior was recognized as the recipient of the Kiwanis Club of Indianapolis Abe Lincoln Award.

Ceu Kung, PMHS Junior was recognized as the recipient of the MaxPreps National Athlete of the Month.

Cendy Trejo, PMHS Junior was recognized for being selected for the Indiana University Honors Abroad program.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

The motion passed 6/0. Included with these minutes are copies of the following items:

- Minutes of the February 12, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- Minutes of the February 19, 2018 Executive Session
- Minutes of the February 26, 2018 Public Work Session
- Financial Report for January 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:

Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy

- a. Meljer donated \$50 gift card to purchase water for the February Family Literacy Night.
- b. Resurrection Lutheran Church donated over 294 pairs of socks and 223 pairs of underwear for use in the DMK clinic.

Homecroft Kindergarten Academy

- a. GoGo Squeeze donated \$100 to Homecroft K as a sponsor for the Action for Healthy kids to promote healthy lifestyles amongst the students.

Perry Meridian High School

- Request approval of the attached Cyber Blue Robotics Team sponsor report. The sponsor donations dated December, 2017 through February, 2017 total \$3,300. November donations were approved on December, 2017 Board report.

Chris Sampson is requesting to accept a \$100 donation from GoGo Squeeze for Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy. Edie Kistner of Douglas MacArthur was one of the first 250 kids to register for Every Kid Healthy Week event. This is being used to support a healthy snack at our Every Kid Healthy event April 23-27.

- Approval of Contract Renewal with Joe Griffith & Associates for Service of District AED's

INTRODUCTIONS

Mrs. Carpenter introduced the Director of Elementary and Title I, Mrs. Jane Pollard.
Mrs. Carpenter introduced the Director of EL and Professional Development, Mrs. Whitney Wilkowski.

BUSINESS

Mr. Bagley recommended approval of the pension bond analysis, actuarial services and reallocation of buyout forfeiture plans agreement with Educational Services Company. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Morris seconded. The motion passed 6/0.

Mr. Bagley recommended approval of the 2019 budget timeline. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion passed 6/0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Martin Lyles commented on personal finance for students.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of the Prevention Matters Planning Grant from the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation. The foundation has granted and approved Perry Township Schools' planning grant application request for \$40,000. Prevention Matters is a grant initiative to help Marion County schools identify, implement and sustain proven substance use prevention programs. Mr. Johnson moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. Mr. Fultz asked if this is a two-step grant. It is. It is a non-competitive planning grant allowing schools to apply to put together a team to plan. The first part is applying and putting together a plan; the second part is implementation. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval to enter into a service agreement with iSi (i School initiative.) iSi is designed to help our students be change agents for improving technology based instructional practices in our schools. Students will attend leadership training on April 18-20, 2018. Twelve SHS and twelve PMHS seniors will go through the training; these students will then serve as ambassadors and assist with the training for the state wide leadership conference that Perry Township will host on April 21, 2018. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mr. Mercer seconded. Mr. Morris asked why seniors are selected and not juniors. Mr. Knight explained this is a sustainable program. Staff members will attend the training and we will be able to continue the training. Mr. Fultz asked how the students will be selected. iSi will give us criteria to assist us in selecting the students. Mrs. Hartman is intrigued and very interested and looks forward to receiving more information in the future about this program. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of Business and Science adoptions for the secondary schools. Mr. Johnson moved to approve, Mr. Fultz seconded. Mr. Johnson asked if there will be individual text for the students or class sets or does it depend on the course? We will have both. Mrs. Hartman asked if the adoption process occurred with a committee reviewing different options. Yes, it did. The motion passed 6/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of additional courses be added at PMHS for the Early College Program. Mrs. Hartman moved to approve, Mr. Mercer seconded. Mr. Johnson asked why one of the courses was chosen. It is an elective course that lines up with the cohort for a student to receive their associates degree; other students not in the early college program can also take this course. Mr. Johnson asked if the university mandates these courses. Yes. Mr. Johnson asked if there are other course choices. We will find out. The motion passed 6/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of textbook adoptions for Early College. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion passed 6/0.

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval for Clinton Young Elementary's 5th grade class to travel to Trafalgar, Indiana May 3 and 4, 2018 for their Outdoor Education program. Lilly Endowment has provided sponsorship for this overnight trip so that all students can attend at no cost. Mr. Bohannon recommended approval of out-of-state travel for the secondary schools:

1. PMHS and German GAPP students to go to Marengo Cave on April 7 and 8.
2. PMHS Band and Orchestras respectfully request to travel to Orlando, Florida to participate in Disney's Soundtrack Workshop. Each student is expected to pay their own fees.
3. PMHS Wrestling team to Virginia Beach, Virginia to attend the NHSCA High School National Wrestling Tournament March 22-25, 2018.
4. SHS Physics students to Cincinnati, Ohio to participate in enrichment activities on April 29, 2018.
5. SMS Music Department to Cincinnati, Ohio on May 19, 2018 as a reward for their hard work this year.

Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval to renew the contract with the University of Indianapolis and their partnership in providing the Jr. Scientist Program for students grades 1-5. This contract is paid with Title I funds. Mr. Morris moved to approve, Mr. Fultz seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval for Clinton Young Elementary to conduct a staff retreat at Salt Creek in Nashville, Indiana on June 28-29, 2018. The cost will be paid with Title I funds. An agenda for the staff development is in your board packet. Mrs. Hartman moved to approve, Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval for Clinton Young Elementary to contract with Virtuoso Education Consulting to provide professional development and training on culturally responsive practices. The training has been approved by the Indiana Department of Education and will also support the school's PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention & Support) initiative. The cost will be covered by Title I funds. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. Mrs. Hartman said since this is conducted in the summer and not required for staff to attend, I would like to see the training captured in some way for those who cannot attend since we are bringing Virtuoso in. We will pursue this. The motion carried 6/0.

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval for Homecroft Elementary to conduct a staff retreat and professional development at Fourwinds Inn in Nashville, Indiana on July 16 and 17, 2018. The cost will be paid through Title I funds. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Morris seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Willey recommended approval of a new contract with AT&T for our point-to-point network connectivity. This contract replaces our current connections contract which expires in July. Bids were accepted through E-rate Category 1 for this connectivity. Two bids were submitted, of which this is the lowest cost and best match for the district. The new contract represents a significant cost savings to the district. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Sampson recommended approval of Resolution 18-005, purchase of property and land at 1319 E. Stop 10 Road for the amount of \$1,150,000 (\$78.34 square foot.) Comps for other buildings came in between \$116 to \$136 square foot. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mrs. Hartman seconded. Mrs. Hartman thanked Mr. Sampson and staff for the information and keeping the board updated. The plan for the building for our alternative program, suspension and expulsion program for our students is exciting. The motion carried 6/0.

Mr. Sampson recommended approval for Schmidt and Associates to proceed with the architectural and engineering process for renovations of the Riley Academy building, formerly known as the Indiana Dental building at 1319 E. Stop 10 Road. Mrs. Hartman moved to approve, Mr. Mercer seconded. Mr. Morris asked if this will include new signage. Mr. Johnson asked if the Riley Academy building will be open when school begins. The building will be ready at the beginning of the second semester if renovations go smoothly. Mr. Fultz asked if we have used Schmidt & Associates for other projects. Yes, the renovation of this building, PTEC, was done by Schmidt & Associates, along with other projects in the township. The motion carried 6/0.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Morris congratulated the PMMS top band as they participated this past weekend in state competition and received a highly distinguished award. They were the only band in this area to receive that distinction. The band is made up of outstanding 7th and 8th grade students.

Mr. Fultz congratulated all of the students who were recognized tonight and to our administrators for celebrating our students. It is great to see recognitions in all different areas; athletics, academics and arts. Thank you Mr. Lyles for your comments. Congratulations to teachers and administrators for their work on ISTEP. ISTEP can be a stressful time and I understand you did everything you could to make the students comfortable and in a position to succeed.

Mr. Mercer had no comment.

Mr. Johnson congratulated the students who were recognized for their achievements tonight. He recognized Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Wilkowski on their new responsibilities.

Mrs. Hartman congratulated the PMHS students who were recognized tonight; on the mats and in the classroom. I wish to congratulate our Transportation Department; they did a phenomenal job on the State Police inspection receiving a 99%! That is a lot of buses to have every light, turn signal, everything; kudos to them. Congratulations to Abraham Lincoln on your recognition in excellence from NIET (National Institute for Excellence in Teaching.) Thank you for all you are doing for students. Students are taking IRead3 this week; I am thinking and praying for them. I am excited about Riley Academy. There are a lot of innovative ideas and thoughts taking place for our students who need a little more guidance, TLC, leadership, and direction in their lives. Mrs. Hartman thanked our police force. With everything going on in the world today, when the fire alarm occurred at SHS, our police department was prepared, ready and two steps ahead keeping our students safe. The reports I received on what they did and their intuition is amazing. I commend our police department, the City of Southport and Homecroft's police departments. Thank you for the leadership and guidance at our secondary schools regarding the student walk-outs. I appreciate your honesty, candidness and willingness to have conversations with students. This is a life lesson for our students. I appreciate you organizing programs with the students and placing a positive emphasis on it.

Mr. Denning congratulated all of the students who were recognized tonight. Thank you to their parents, teachers and administrators. Congratulations to Mrs. Wilkowski and Mrs. Pollard.

Mr. Mapes agreed and concurred with everything stated this evening. He thanked administrators and teachers for reemphasizing "if you see something, say something", random acts of kindness and making sure students take care of each other to make certain we have safe schools. Most of the reports we received first were from our students because they want to make sure their schools are safe. That is how they remain safe is by our students stepping up and being the leaders we know they can be. Thank you to everyone who has been a part of that effort.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Denning sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.



EDWARD T. DENNING, PRESIDENT



EMILY HARTMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

ABSENT 3-12-18

KENNETH J. MERTZ, SECRETARY

Absent 4.9.18

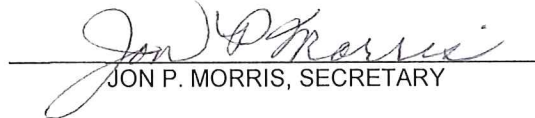
COLLIN C. FULTZ, MEMBER



STEVE JOHNSON, MEMBER



CHARLES R. MERCER JR., MEMBER



JON P. MORRIS, SECRETARY