

**MINUTES OF A  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC WORK SESSION  
OF  
PERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS  
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA**

April 23, 2018

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana, held a public work session on Monday, April 23, 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  
**Kenneth J. Mertz**, Board Secretary  
**Collin C. Fultz**, Board Member  
**Steve Johnson**, Board Member  
**Charles R. Mercer, Jr.**, Board Member  
**Jon P. Morris**, 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

### **Special Board Meeting**

Mr. Denning opened the special board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made to approve the personnel report naming Mr. John Sponsel as principal of Abraham Lincoln Elementary School. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mr. Morris seconded. The motion passed 7/0.

Mr. Denning adjourned the special board meeting at 6:01 p.m.

### **Public Work Session**

Mr. Denning opened the public work session at 6:00 p.m.

#### **2018 Secondary Summer School**

Mr. Bohannon discussed 2018 secondary summer school. We offer PLATO labs for students earning, accruing or recovering credits. We found if we extend the PLATO lab two weeks after school ends and open the lab two weeks prior to the start of school, students are able to earn needed credits and it has proven to be successful. The PLATO Lab will be open May 29 to June 8 and July 9 to July 20; the morning session is 8 to 11 a.m. and the afternoon session will be from 12 to 3 p.m.

Indiana Online Academy Students can take courses online, of which the course selection is limitless. Finals will be taken at the high school June 4 through July 19. There is no cost to the student. The district will request reimbursement from DOE. Last year was our largest group of students and the largest number of credits taken. Over 1,200 courses were taken for credit last year, an increase from 750 the year before.

We also offer a secondary summer school for English Language Learner students June 4 – June 15 from 8:30 to 12:30 at Southport High School. Transportation is provided. This is funded through Title III, NESP grant and refugee grants. The projected number of students are 60 middle school students and 60 high school students; 9 projected certified staff and 4 projected non-certified staff.

Mr. Morris asked if we offer any advanced classes in summer school. Indiana On-Line Academy offers classes for accelerated classes and AP courses for interested students. Mrs. Hartman asked if the SAT Prep course is offered only during intersession. Yes, during both intersessions, fall and spring.

### 2018 Elementary Summer School

Mrs. Vickie Carpenter, Mrs. Jennifer Dishman (MB), Mr. Jack Heath (MB), Mr. Doug Smith (JGE) and Mrs. Lora Hansell (JGKA) presented to the board.

1. Our first summer school program is offered at Mary Bryan Elementary and Abraham Lincoln Elementary from June 4-15 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with breakfast and lunch served daily.

#### Section offerings:

Growth - The bottom 20% of incoming 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders who could use a little boost in language arts with a side of math.

IRead - 3<sup>rd</sup> graders who need to pass/take IRead3, and current 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students needing additional support in reading.

High Ability - Top 10% incoming 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders

(New language learners are included in all of these groups as they qualify.)

#### Number of students attending last summer, 2017, all receiving breakfast and lunch:

EL Levels 1 and 2: 120

Growth: 95

IRead2: 229 (students needing a boost who are on the bubble)

IRead3: 85 (students who did not pass or did not take)

High Ability: 124

Total of 653 (includes both sites)

Mrs. Hartman asked what data we are using to determine, for example, kids on the bubble. We are using Evaluate data.

2. Jump Start 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Program is a new program for students completing kindergarten to transition to their 'home' elementary school. Jump Start 1<sup>st</sup> Grade will be held at all eleven elementary schools from June 4-15 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with breakfast and lunch served daily. The 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Jump Start program will have 3 purposes:
  - a. Socializing incoming first graders into the rules, norms, expectations, procedures, etc. at each individual building as this is their first year in their home school.
  - b. Academically reviewing kindergarten skills, reinforcing kindergarten skills, and previewing first grade level skills.
  - c. Having fun and getting excited about 1<sup>st</sup> grade!
3. Jump Start Kindergarten Program will be located at each of the four kindergarten academies June 4-15 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with breakfast and lunch served daily. This program is aimed to prepare incoming kindergarteners and help to alleviate their fears. Bus expectations and safety will be introduced, navigating the lunch room and getting their lunch, hallway procedures, restroom etiquette, social and safety skills during recess, interacting with others and making new friends and more will be covered during this program.

### Naviance Career and College Preparation Tool

Christy Vance (PMA), Marty Brothers (SA), Stephanie Deeter (PMMS), Forrest Miller (SMS), Brad Miller (PMHS) and Julie Fierce (SHS) presented to the board.

The Naviance career and college preparation tool helps parents, students and counselors unlock the potential that every one of our students possess. We have students who will be navigating the college and career journey on their own. And we also have students who have will have the additional support from home to help them on this journey. Naviance speaks to both of those groups and everyone in between.

Naviance helps students identify their strengths and personality type and capitalize on those strengths and qualities. The tool helps the student with career exploration, academic planning, college planning and development of soft and non-cognitive success skills.

It provides students with critical college and career information and aids in improving student and parent engagement. Parents will have their own log-in and access to the program tool. Naviance creates a district/school-wide scope and sequence with the ability to track and measure progress. It makes data-driven decisions. It consolidates and centralizes assessment results, college and career plans, academic plans and test scores so faculty and staff can optimize time with students. Naviance offers career videos, a career interest profiler, guidance lessons, resume writing, transcript requests and guidance lessons.


Mr. Morris asked how many students a counselor serves. At the sixth grade academy it is 1 counselor to 650 students; at the middle schools, 1:600; and at the high schools it is 1:460. The national recommendation is 1:250.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Denning adjourned the public work session at 7:23 p.m.

  
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EDWARD T. DENNING, PRESIDENT

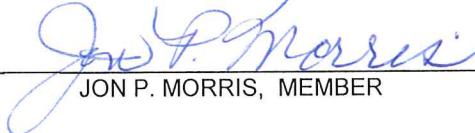
  
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