

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

January 14, 2019

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana, held an Organizational meeting, a Board of Finance meeting and a Regular board meeting on Monday, January 14, 2019 at the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Board of Education members present:

Emily Hartman, Board President
Steve Johnson, Board Vice President
Collin C. Fultz, Board Secretary
Hannah H. Dale, Board Member
Jim H. Hernandez, Board Member
Charles R. Mercer, Jr., Board Member
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

Mrs. Hartman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The presentation of colors and Pledge of Allegiance were presented by Girl Scout Troops #4111 and #2720 from Homecroft Elementary led by Nichole Rogers and Bethaney Strother.

Mr. Mapes requested approval to amend the agenda. We added #4, Staff Appointments. Mr. Mertz moved to approve, Mr. Fultz seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER TO FILL BOARD VACANCY

The Board of Education had three open seats in the November election and only two people ran. The board posted the notice of a board vacancy. Sixteen people applied. Mr. Johnson nominated and moved that Mr. James Hernandez fill the board vacancy. Mr. Fultz seconded. The motion carried 6/0. Mr. Hernandez was sworn in.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICERS FOR 2019

Mr. Mercer nominated Mrs. Emily Hartman for board president, Mr. Steve Johnson for board vice president and Mr. Collin Fultz for board secretary. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mrs. Dale seconded. The motion carried 6/0.

APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER AND DEPUTY TREASURERS

Mr. Mapes recommended J. Michael Bagley as treasurer and Beth Meyers and Cynthia King as deputy treasurers. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion passed 7/0.

APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASING AGENT

Mr. Mapes recommended J. Michael Bagley as purchasing agent. Mr. Johnson moved to approve. Mr. Fultz seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

RECESS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Mr. Mercer moved to recess the Organizational meeting. Mrs. Dale seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

CALL TO ORDER THE BOARD OF FINANCE MEETING

Mrs. Hartman called the Board of Finance meeting to order.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICERS FOR 2019

Mr. Fultz nominated and moved for Mrs. Hartman as president of Board of Finance. Mrs. Dale seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Johnson nominated and moved for Mr. Fultz as secretary of Board of Finance. Mrs. Dale seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bagley reviewed board policy: "The School Board authorizes the Treasurer or the Deputy Treasurer to make investments of available monies from the several funds of the Corporation as authorized by the State of Indiana and the State Board of Accounts (IC 5-13-9 and IC 20-26-5-4)." Mr. Bagley presented the financial report for the district.

The total interest earned from JP Morgan Chase in 2018 is \$184,266.78. The total interest earned from Huntington Bank is \$5,017.13. The district invested in CD's and the interest earned from CD's in 2018 is \$309,370.60. Washington Trust holds the unallocated portion of the Pension Bond funds and earned \$130,716.99 in 2018. The district invested Construction funds in CD's and the interest earned is \$207,855.59.

ADJOURNMENT OF BOARD OF FINANCE AND RECONVENE THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Mrs. Dale moved to adjourn the Board of Finance meeting, Mr. Mertz seconded. The motion carried 7/0. Mrs. Hartman adjourned the Board of Finance and reconvened the Organizational meeting.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING RECONVENED

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of board meeting dates for 2019 and January 2020. Mr. Mertz moved to approve, Mr. Mercer seconded. The motion passed 7/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of Resolution #19-002, Authorization of Contract Changes. Mr. Mapes explained this resolution will allow Mr. Bagley to approve contract changes to a teacher's contract between Board Meetings. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of Resolution #19-003, Use of Facsimile Signatures. Mr. Mapes explained this allows electronic signatures on documents and teacher contracts. Mrs. Dale moved to approve, Mr. Hernandez seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval of board members' compensation for 2019 which is \$2,000 per member annually. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mrs. Dale seconded. The motion passed 7/0.

Mr. Mapes recommended approval to appoint Barnes and Thornburg as the board's legal counsel for 2019. Mrs. Dale moved to approve and Mr. Hernandez seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

ADJOURN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AND CALL TO ORDER REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Mrs. Dale moved to adjourn the Organizational meeting, Mr. Mertz seconded. Mrs. Hartman adjourned the Organizational meeting and called to order the Regular Board meeting.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

RECOGNITION

The board recognized and thanked the following people who worked to host our first-ever district-wide elementary Toys-for-Tots event on December 1, 2018:

Social Workers

Shawna Bram
Shannon Romine
Katie Luce
Ashley Reed

Spearheaded by:

Cheryl Rivera, Glenns Valley parent and Perry Township Small Claims Court Judge

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

- Minutes of the December 10, 2018 Public Hearing for Additional Appropriation & Regular Board Meeting
- Minutes of the December 10, 2018 Executive Session
- Minutes of the January 2, 2019 Public Work Session
- Financial Report for November 2018
- Allowance of Vouchers
- Personnel Report
- Report to Board on travel beyond 75 miles by certified staff
- Fundraiser Requests
- Approval of Acceptance of Donations:

Abraham Lincoln Elementary

- a. Bret Hawkins, music teacher at Abraham Lincoln Elementary School, received a Kiwanis grant from the local chapter for \$63.95. This will be used to purchase music from the New England Dance Master set and the Shenanigans Dance Music Series.

Early Childhood Academy

- a. The Early Childhood Academy will be receiving a \$10,000.00 donation from Early Learning Indiana. This will be used to expand the opportunities for family engagement.

Homecroft Elementary

- a. Kathy and Lanny Schmidt have donated \$800.00 to Homecroft Elementary. They would like the donation to be given to the G.I.R.L.S. Club to purchase gifts for needy Homecroft families this holiday season.

Jeremiah Gray Kindergarten Academy

- a. Mr. and Mrs. William Murphy have generously donated \$1000.00 to the Jeremiah Gray Kindergarten Academy for the purchase of books for the lending library.
- b. An anonymous donor has donated twenty pair of shoes to the Jeremiah Gray Kindergarten Academy. Teachers will identify students that would benefit from new shoes.

Southport Elementary

- a. Electric Plus Electrical Contractor donated \$200.00 and Taylor Doors and Specialties donated \$100.00. This money will be used by third grade students at Southport Elementary to make fleece blankets that will be donated to the homeless population.
- b. Schmidt Associates and Hoffman Electric and Hoffman Construction each donated \$1000.00 to Southport Elementary School. This donation will be used to support the Southport Elementary Robotics Team.

Perry Meridian High School

Request approval of \$75 donation from Chris and Anne Miller. The funds will be deposited into PMHS Student Services Helping Fund.

- Approval of Renewal of Preventative Maintenance with B & J Mechanical, Inc. for HVA Service at PMMS, PMA, JGE, WV and RPE
- Approval of Renewal of Preventative Maintenance Agreement with B & J mechanical, Inc. on Chillers at PTEC, GV, CY, HE, HB, DM, AL, SES, PMMS, PMA, SMS, SMA, MB, RPE, JGE and WV
- Approval of Revision of Adult and Child Mental health Center, Inc. Agreement

INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Sampson introduced Miss Alexis Price who will join us as a member of our Communications department as Mrs. Hughes' assistant.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Bagley recommended approval of the 2018 year end appropriation transfer, Resolution 19-001. State Board of Accounts guidelines require that individual fund accounts not show a negative balance at years end. Mr. Mercer moved to approve, Mr. Hernandez seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Willey recommended approval of a Ricoh copier at the Compass Education Center. Mr. Fultz moved to approve, Mrs. Dale seconded. The motion carried 7/0.

Mr. Bohannon recommended approval for PMHS FIRST Robotics CyberBlue 234 team to attend competitions at the following locations:

- Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN - March 8-10, 2019
- Von Braun Center, Huntsville, AL - March 13-16, 2019
- Kokomo Memorial Gym, Kokomo, IN - April 11,13,2019
- Cobo Hall, Detroit, MI - April 24-27, 2019

Mr. Mertz moved to approve, Mrs. Dale seconded. Mr. Johnson asked how the team will travel. Mr. Bohannon stated the team will use a school bus for in-state and Detroit competitions. A charter bus will be used for the Huntsville, AL competition. Mrs. Hartman asked if CyberBlue234 funds will be used to rent the charter bus. Yes, CyberBlue234 funds will be used. The motion passed 7/0.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Dale stated it was a great opportunity to attend the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration. I attended as a student also. Congratulations to all of the award winners, students and staff alike. Thank you to all who worked on putting the program together. She thanked Mrs. Cheryl Rivera and the social workers who worked to provide a Toys for Tots event. Mrs. Dale stated she is very grateful for this opportunity to serve Perry Township in this capacity. I am an alumni of this great township, I work with the education foundation supporting our schools and I am glad to be in this role seeing the wonderful things in Perry Township.

Mr. Mertz thanked the Perry Township family. My mother passed away the end of September and at the beginning of November my father became ill and was in the hospital during the month. A number of people reached out with notes, cards, emails, texts and calls which were very much appreciated during a difficult time. Knowing I had the thoughts and prayers of the Perry Township community meant a great deal. In my absence I did not get a chance to wish Ed Denning and Jon Morris well. I enjoyed serving with them. Thank you Ed and Jon for your service and contributions over the past 8 1/2 years. Mr. Mertz welcomed Mrs. Dale and Mr. Hernandez to the board. We have a great team and I look forward to working with you both. I want to thank Mike Bagley and the department for their work the past year on the mandated budget changes.

Mr. Mercer enjoyed the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration. Thank you to those who worked to put the program together. He congratulated Mr. Hernandez and look forward to serving with you on the board. I look forward to a good year.

Mr. Hernandez thanked everyone for the warm welcome and support. I especially enjoyed the Martin Luther King, Jr. program this evening and look forward to serving you the next four years.

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Mr. Fultz welcomed Mrs. Dale and Mr. Hernandez to the board. He thanked Mr. Norris and his team for a wonderful program this evening. Mr. Fultz thanked the Facilities and Transportation staff for their work the past couple of days to make sure our buildings and buses were ready to start, and getting kids to school and home safely. Thank you for everything you all do. He thanked Mrs. Rivera and our social workers who continually put in time and work outside of school and jobs to make our community what it is and help people. Thank you very much.

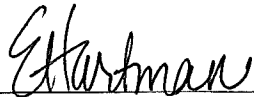
Mr. Johnson welcomed Mr. Hernandez to the board. He thanked Mr. Norris and his staff for the program this evening. They did a great job dedicating and sharing forward the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. Sometimes it seems like we just seem to go through the motions but the greatness of the man is still an awareness of what happens in this country and around the world today. Mr. Johnson thanked the social workers and Mrs. Rivera for their work on the Toys for Tots. He welcomed Miss Price to Perry Township. Mr. Johnson thanked Mr. Sampson and Mr. Schott for their work ensuring construction is on schedule and instruction is still happening with construction going on. Mr. Johnson looks forward to attending the open house at the Compass Center tomorrow and for the district to continue to move forward.

Mrs. Hartman welcomed Miss Price to the township. Mr. Fultz, Mrs. Dale and Mr. Hernandez, thank you for your willingness to serve. I look forward to working with you. Thank you to Mrs. Rivera and the social workers for their time and work to provide Toys for Tots; it was a huge undertaking, but the impact is great. Thank you very much. Mrs. Hartman stated she is looking forward to attending the open house at the Compass Education Center tomorrow. It's exciting we have the Compass building and program, and the ability to do great things for the kids. I attended the Indiana State Board of Education school board meeting. The state school board invited our administration to their board meeting to share our best practices and what makes our teachers great and how we help students grow. Mrs. Hartman stated what impacted her the most was our administrators shared what the district's strengths are, and never once did they lean on our high number of English language learners, or the increase of our free and reduced families. Our administrators didn't talk about our population and how it's more difficult to teach them, but we continued to say "we are serving our population." I commend our administration for this. We are not looking at our disadvantages, we are looking at where we are going and how we are going to get there. The goals ahead of us are much more important to us than any challenges that may face us. I commend all of you. That mind-set trickles down to every person who works in this township. Everyone is to be commended.

Mr. Mapes concurs with the comments made by the board. He thanked Mrs. Carpenter and Mr. Bohannon, Keesha Hughes, Jane Pollard, Whitney Wilkowski and everyone who helped with this presentation sharing the good news of what's happening in Perry Township. We share the news through social media to help people understand the great things that are happening here. January is a busy month for the Administrative team. The House and Senate Education Committees, the Governor's office, the state teachers association, Stand for Children, and Teach Plus will be visiting Perry Township Schools this week to see what we do. We will be a model throughout the state to see how to help kids. Every day we grow kids. We don't talk about our challenges. We talk about getting better every day is important and as long as we're doing that we will make sure we have success in the end because we are making sure our kids have the skills necessary to be successful. That's our job and that's our charge. We have a lot of people working with kids: teachers, instructional assistants, bus drivers, bus monitor aides, cafeteria staff ... everyone is all in. That's what is cool about my job, it makes it easier and a lot of fun coming to work every day helping to serve the community and the kids who live here. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Hartman sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.



EMILY HARTMAN, PRESIDENT



STEVE JOHNSON, VICE PRESIDENT



COLLIN C. FULTZ, SECRETARY



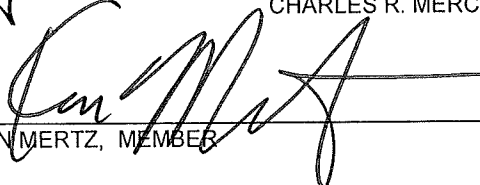
HANNAH H. DALE, MEMBER



JAMES H. HERNANDEZ, MEMBER

Absent 2.11.19

CHARLES R. MERCER JR., MEMBER



KEN MERTZ, MEMBER