



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

December 13, 2021

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana held a Regular Board meeting on Monday, December 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227.

Board of Education members:

James H. Hernandez, President	Present
Lee Shively, Vice President	Present
Hannah Dale, Board Secretary	Present
Scott Heller, Board Member	Present
Kenneth Mertz, Board Member	Present
Emily Hartman, Board Member	Present
Steve Johnson, Board Member	Present

Administrative staff:

Mr. Patrick Mapes, Superintendent	Present
Mr. Chis Sampson, Associate Superintendent of Operations	Present
Mrs. Jane Pollard, Assistant Superintendent of Career Preparation, 6-12	Present
Mrs. Vicki Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Foundation Learning, PreK-5	Present
Mr. Kent Hatcher, Chief Financial Officer	Present
Mr. Matthew Willey, Chief Technology Officer	Present
Mrs. Sharon Baker, Director of Human Resources	Present

OPENING OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Mr. Hernandez called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.



RECOGNITIONS

Mrs. Pollard recognized the following:

Donte McDonald, Southport High School Senior, 2021 Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis Youth of the Year.

Dan Jones, Southport High School Teacher, Top 10 Indiana Teacher of the Year.

Sophia Catanzaro, Perry Meridian Middle School 8th Grader, winner of 2021 District Holiday Card Contest.

Mrs. Carpenter recognized the following:

Ms. Amy Lewis, Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy Teacher, The Mozel Sanders Foundation's Reverend Roosevelt Sanders Educators Award winner.

The Douglas MacArthur Elementary Spell Bowl Team, 2021 District winner and First Place winner of the Indiana Spell Bowl Competition.

Coach-Stephanie Warble	Coach-Amy Coffey	Proctor-Megan Vermeulen
Anagha Achar	Navya Khanna	Siddhant Saxena
Avaneesh Achar	Christian Lian	Nitya Singh
Anika Choudhary	Aanya Malhotra	Dawt Sung
Utkarsh Gupta	Purvi Malik	Van Thawng Hu
Ayush Kalasannavar	Samuel Par	

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- Minutes of the November 8, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
- October, 2021 Financial Report
- December 13, 2021 Allowance of Vouchers
- December 13, 2021 Personnel Report
- Professional Travel
- Certified Travel
- Out of State Travel
- Secondary Fundraisers



- Renewal of Agreement with Grant Keys Lawn Service for Snow Removal
- Renewal of Agreement with Phillip's Paving Inc., for Snow Removal
- Renewal of Contract with St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf
- Contract between Perry Meridian Middle School and Hyatt Place, Indianapolis
- Contract between Douglas MacArthur Kindergarten Academy and French Lick Springs
- Contract between Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy and French Lick Springs
- Contract between Homecroft Elementary School and Salt Creek Golf Retreat

Motioned: Mr. Shively

Seconded: Mrs. Dale

Approved: 7/0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jenny Raymer spoke about her concern of lack of consistency with the new grading scale.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval of the following donations.

Clinton Young Elementary

Mr. Bradley Ford donated \$300.00 to Clinton Young Elementary School. This money will be used to help support the CY 5th Grade Camp.

JFW Industries donated \$200.00 to Clinton Young Elementary. This money will be used to help support the CY 5th Grade Camp.

Staples would like to donate eleven \$50.00 Staples gift cards to Clinton Young Elementary. The gift cards would be given to teachers to purchase items for the school.

Henry Burkhart Elementary

GameStop donated thirteen basketballs and four foam footballs to Henry Burkhart Elementary. This equipment will be used during recess.



Homecroft Kindergarten Academy

Mr. Daniel Duffer donated pizzas, cookies and water for the HKA Fall Family Night

Mrs. Pollard recommended approval of the following donations.

Perry Meridian High School

Respectfully requests approval of a \$250 donation from PMHS parent, Shonta Roberts. Mrs. Roberts would like her donation to be used for students who need financial assistance with graduation cap and gown rental fees.

Southport High School

Respectfully requests approval of a \$5000 donation from Hubler Chevrolet to be used for the Boys Basketball program.

Respectfully requests approval of \$5400 donation from the following community members to Cardinal Partners that will directly offset the SHS Girls' Basketball player packs:

Amalgaway - \$500	Brand & Morelock Law - \$500
Mark Dietel Realty - \$500	Ryan Galbraith RoofIndy - \$500
Anytime Fitness - \$300	Jim's Delivery Service- \$300
APEX Vehicle Maintenance - \$200	Smokehouse Catering Company - \$300
Indy Mortgage Team - \$200	Coffee/Pizza Junkiez - \$200
Queen Nails - \$200	Bob's Tu Your Door Pizza, Greenwood - \$200
The Welding Family - \$200	Dillay-Nool-Katekard-Reyes-Velazco Family - <u>\$300</u>
Gracie Cherry 2021 - \$200	Foundation Building Materials - \$200
Haggard & Stocking - \$100	Acoustics Plus Inc. - \$100
Up and Rising Concrete - \$200	Bob & Betty Wendell - \$100
Haley Kibby - \$100	

Compass Education Center

Respectfully requests approval of a \$100 donation from City Barbeque Dine and Donate event. The money will be used for student incentives.



Respectfully requests approval of a \$173.97 donation from Chick-Fil-A Dine and event. The money will be used for student incentives.

Motioned: Mrs. Dale

Seconded: Mr. Mertz

Approved: 7/0

Mr. Sampson recommended the approval of the Revised 2022-2023 School Year Calendar.

The following are the changes to the 2022-23 school calendar:

1st Semester — Teachers begin with two days of professional meetings on Monday, July 25th.

1st Semester — Students begin classes on Wednesday, July 27th.

1st Semester — Students will conclude the first semester on Wednesday, December 21st.

1st Semester — Teachers will conclude the first semester with a half day on Thursday, December 22nd.

2nd Semester Teachers and Students will begin the second semester on Thursday, January 5th.

2nd Semester — Students will conclude the second semester on Wednesday, May 24th.

2nd Semester — Teachers will conclude the second semester with a half day on Thursday, May 25th.

Fall Break, Spring Break and Graduation dates will remain as scheduled.

The first semester will have 92 student days and the second semester will have 88 student days.

Motioned: Mr. Johnson

Seconded: Mrs. Hartman

Approved: 7/0



Mrs. Pollard recommended the approval of the addition of courses for Perry Meridian High School and Southport High School starting the 2022-2023 school year. The courses would be added over the next two to three-year period.

Southport High School

- Applied Music (APPL MUS)
- AP Music Theory (MUS TH AP) Currently being taught at PMHS
- Management Fundamentals (MGMT FUND-Previously Principles of Business Management)*
- Accounting Fundamentals (INTO ACCT-Previously Introduction to Accounting/ Accounting 1)*
- Marketing Fundamentals (PRN MR.KT-Previously Principles of Marketing)
- Principles of Computing (PR.IN COMP INFO-Previously Introduction to Computer Science)
- Topics in Computer Science (TOP COMP SCI-Previously Computer Science 1)
- Computer Science (COMP SCI-Previously Computer Science II)
- Strategic Marketing (STRT MR.KT)
- Advanced Accounting (ADV ACC)
- Principles of Early Childhood Education (PR.IN EAR CH ED)
- Early Childhood Education Curriculum (EAR CHD ED CUR)
- Early Childhood Education Guidance (EAR CHD ED GD)
- Principles of Teaching (PR.IN TEACH)*
- Child and Adolescent Development (CHILD ADL DEV)*
- Teaching and Learning (TEACH LRN)*
- Principles of Human Services (PR.IN HUM SERV)*

Perry High School

- Principles of Digital Design (PRIN DIG DES)*
- Digital Design Graphics (DIG DES GRAPH)*
- Graphic Design & Layout (GRAPH DES LT)
- Principles of Business Management (PRIN BUS)
- Management Fundamentals (MGMT FUND)*
- Accounting Fundamentals (INTO ACCT)*
- Principles of Human Services (PRIN HUM SERV)*
- Understanding Diversity (DIS SERV)*
- Relationships and Emotions (REL EMO)*
- Principles of Teaching (PRIN TEACH)*
- Child and Adolescent Development (CHILD ADL DEV)*
- Teaching and Learning (TEACH LRN)*
- Principles of Broadcasting (PRIN BROAD)*
- Audio and Video Production Essentials (AUD VID PROD)*
- Mass Media Production (MASS MEDIA PRODUCTION)*



- * being adopted at both high schools
- English Composition ENGL 111 Ivy Tech - Dual Credit
- Introduction to Literature ENGL 206 Ivy Tech - Dual Credit

Motioned: Mr. Mertz

Seconded: Mrs. Dale

Approved: 7/0

Mr. Sampson recommended the approval of the contract with ITI (Indiana Testing Inc.) for drug and alcohol testing for the Transportation Department. The service is utilized for pre-employment, random, post-accident follow up and reasonable cause testing of Transportation employees. The agreement is for a two-year period beginning January 15 2022.

Motioned: Mr. Shively

Seconded: Mr. Heller

Approved: 7/0

Mrs. Baker recommended the approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Amendment and Restatement of the 401(a) Plan Adoption Agreement in accordance with the IRS required six-year Cycle 3 Restatement. The plan document's provisions align with how we currently operate the plan. The plan was also changed to ensure all items match our current collective bargaining agreement. Items changed included updating the definition of disabled, the years of experience for the allocation formula to match the CBA, and determining the beneficiary in the event of a member divorce.

Motioned: Mrs. Hartman

Seconded: Mr. Johnson

Approved: 7/0

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval of Resolution 21-020, Year End Appropriation Transfers. The resolution states that the proper officers of a political subdivision may transfer money from one major budget classification to another within a department or office if they determine that the transfer is necessary, the transfer does not require the expenditure of more money than the total amount set out in the budget as finally determined under this article; and the transfer is made at a regular public meeting and by proper ordinance or resolution. A transfer may be made under this section without notice and without the approval of the department of local government finance.

Motioned: Mr. Mertz

Seconded: Mrs. Hartman

Approved: 7/0

Mr. Mapes recommended the approval of Resolution 21-021, Referendum Extension Resolution. The Resolution states the Board now desires to adopt a resolution to (a) place the extension of the 2016 Operating Referendum Tax Levy Fund under Indiana Code 20- 46-1, as amended, on the ballot with the information set forth in resolution 21-021, and (b) approve the revenue spending plan for the annual revenues deposited into the 2016 Operating Referendum Tax Levy Fund for the years 2023 through and



including 2030, in accordance with Indiana Code §20-46-1-8(e), as amended, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "2016 Operating Referendum Tax Levy Fund Revenue Spending Plan").

Motioned: Mr. Shively

Seconded: Mr. Heller

Approved: 7/0

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Sampson updated the Board on the ESSER III In-Person Plan for the district. Perry Township will continue to operate on the board approved 2021-22 School Calendar. In-person instruction will be provided Monday through Friday for students in grades K-12. The virtual classroom option providing continuous learning will only be available in emergencies. Health Protocols -remain unchanged. Plans for Continuous Learning -remain unchanged.

Mr. Hatcher discussed the Teacher Appreciation Grant.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Johnson stated it's always important to recognize students, parents, teachers and administrators for all the successes they achieve. It is also important the public can come in and voice their opinions about issues they feel strongly about that affect their students and their community. He stated that as a board, they were elected by the public and appreciated the comments. He stated it has been a tough couple of years dealing with the pandemic and other issues and he appreciates that we continue to move forward and that Perry Township Schools will always do that. Lastly, he wanted to wish everyone a great holiday.

Mrs. Hartman said her favorite thing is when you can hear little voices say the pledge of allegiance. She was thankful we could recognize all the students and staff's successes and she is thankful for the administrator's leadership. Mrs. Hartman acknowledged that moving forward with the State's requirements for high school students will be challenging but appreciates that our focus is always on our students. Mrs. Hartman thanked Mrs. Pollard and the High School Principals for their leadership and their efforts to move forward with the State's requirements. Mrs. Harman acknowledged Mrs. Raymer's concerns and that she shares her frustrations with the new grading scale. She wanted to clarify there are differences between Board Policy and Academic Standards and the grading scale is not a Board Policy. Mrs. Hartman relayed a story about a positive experience her daughter had with a teacher and how appreciative she is for the teacher's support and understanding of students and their needs.



Mr. Heller stated his appreciation of the administrators who supported and lead the Spell Bowl Team who made it to state. Mr. Heller appreciates the boost the Teacher Grant's gives to the moral of staff and is encouraged at the investment put forth financially in our teachers. Mr. Heller stated he appreciates the plan moving forward with the new classes for our high school students.

Mr. Mertz appreciated all the information the principals gave us regarding the new classes and looks forward to see where Next Level leads us. Mr. Mertz asked to keep John Morris in our thoughts and prayers as he is battling medical issues. Mr. Mertz congratulated all the students and staff who were recognized for their achievements. He thanked Mrs. Raymer for attending and voicing her concerns. He appreciates the respect the parents, staff and board members show each other when presenting ideas and concerns during meetings. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mrs. Dale thanked Mrs. Raymer for coming and expressing her concerns. She stated how exciting it is to see the student and staff recognitions for various things. Mrs. Dale appreciated the many donations bestowed on Perry Township Schools. She stated we are living in unprecedented times and she appreciate the work and effort of the educators.

Mr. Shively encouraged Mr. Hatcher to get the teacher money out as soon as possible. He congratulated the Spell Bowl Team. Mr. Shively congratulated Mr. Jones for his recognition of being named one of the Top 10 Teachers in Indiana. He thanked Mrs. Raymer for attending in and respectfully expressing her concerns.

Mr. Hernandez thanked Mrs. Raymer for attending and respectfully voicing her concerns. He was thankful for all the accolades we witnessed tonight. Mr. Hernandez wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mr. Mapes stated that we have had a tough last 10 days and wanted to thank staff in addition to community members who reached out to support our Township. Mr. Mapes stated this was the last business meeting for 2021 and presented Mr. Hernandez with a plaque to thank him for leading the board as School Board President for the 2021 year.

ADJOURMENT

Mr. Hernandez sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.




JAMES H HERNANDEZ, PRESIDENT


LEE SHIVELY, VICE PRESIDENT


HANNAH DALE, SECRETARY


EMILY HARTMAN, BOARD MEMBER


SCOTT HELLER, BOARD MEMBER


STEVE JOHNSON, BOARD MEMBER


KENNETH J MERTZ, BOARD MEMBER