

# MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

# June 13, 2022

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana held two Public Hearings and a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227.

#### **Board of Education Members:**

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

# Administrative Staff:

| Mr. Patrick Mapes, Superintendent   | Present |
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| 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 PUBLIC HEARING**

Mr. Shively called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Hatcher conducted the 1028-Additional Appropriation Public Hearings for the district's 2022 Series A-B-C District – Wide Facilities and Technology General Obligation Bonds. The Issuance of these Bonds will



have a neutral effect on the district's tax levy. Mr. Hatcher stated that the 2022 Series A-B-C principal amount of the bonds and the amount of the appropriation is \$5,815,000 each.

# **ADJOURMENT**

Mr. Shively sounded the gavel to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m.

# **OPENING OF THE PUBLIC HEARING**

Mr. Shively called the Public Hearing to order at 6:03 p.m.

Mr. Hatcher explained that Perry Township Schools is amending the Bus Replacement Plan to increase our current Activity Type E fleet by four buses (two each high school) to meet the needs of transporting students on after-school ECA trips. The original plan no longer meets the needs of the school corporation due to a reduction in CDL qualified bus drivers.

#### **ADJOURMENT**

Mr. Shively sounded the gavel to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:05 p.m.

# **OPENING OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Mr. Shively called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No patrons chose to speak.



#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- o Minutes of the May 9, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
- o Minutes of the May 9, 2022 Executive Session
- Minutes of the May 28, 2022 Executive Session
- o April, 2022 Financial Report
- June 13, 2022 Allowance of Vouchers
- o June 13, 2022 Personnel Report
- Position Changes for Building Technician/District Technician
- New Pay Rate and Additional Compensation for School Psychologists
- Classified Non-Administrative Staff Compensation Adjustment
- o Superintendent's Contract
- o Perry Township Schools Staff Travel Requests
- Contract Renewal with IXL
- Contract Renewal with Monica Gallien
- Contract Renewal with St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf
- Joe Griffith & Associates Agreement to Service AED Units
- Fundraisers, Secondary

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Steve Johnson

Approved: 6/0

Mrs. Carpenter took a minute to introduce Ms. Sarah Reuter. Sarah will start the 2022-2023 school year as the new Assistant Principal at Winchester Village. Sarah has served Perry Township Schools for over 15 years, the last 10 years as Dean of Students and Assistant Principal at Perry Meridian Middle School. Sarah introduced her two young daughters who accompanied her to the meeting.

#### ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Recommended Approval of the Resolution 22-005, 1028-Reimbursement Bond Resolution, 2022A Bond

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval of Resolution 22-005, 1028-Reimbursement Bond Resolution, 2022A Bond. Approval allows for the issuance of bonds for the 2022A projects at Perry Meridian Middle School.

Motioned: Hannah Dale

Seconded: Steve Johnson

Approved: 6/0



#### Recommend Approval of Resolution 22-006, 1028-Reimbursement Bond Resolution, 2022B Bonds

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval of Resolution 22-006, 1028-Reimbursement Bond Resolution, 2022B Bonds. Approval allows for the issuance of bonds for the 2022B projects at Southport High School, Perry Meridian High School, Southport Middle School, Southport 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy and Perry Meridian 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy.

Motioned: Hannah Dale

Seconded: Jim Hernandez

Approved: 6/0

# Recommend Approval of Resolution 22-007, 1028-Reimbursement Bond Resolution, 2022C Bonds

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval of Resolution 22-007, 1028-Reimbursement Bond Resolution, 2022C Bonds. Approval allows for the issuance of bonds for the 2022C projects at the elementary buildings, kindergarten academies, JWR, Perry Township Education Center, Perry Township Academic Center, the transportation and grounds buildings and Compass Education Center.

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Scott Heller

Approved: 6/0

#### Recommend Approval of Resolution 22-008, Additional Appropriation Resolution, 2022A Bonds

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval of Resolution 22-008, Additional Appropriation Resolution, 2022A Bonds.

Motioned: Steve Johnson

Seconded: Scott Heller

Approved: 6/0

#### Recommend Approval of Resolution 22-009, Additional Appropriation Resolution, 2022B Bonds

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval of Resolution 22-009, Additional Appropriation Resolution, 2022B Bonds.

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Jim Hernandez

Approved: 6/0



# Recommend Approval of Resolution 22-010, Additional Appropriation Resolution, 2022C Bonds

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval of Resolution 22-010, Additional Appropriation Resolution, 2022C Bonds.

Motioned: Hannah Dale

Seconded: Steve Johnson

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval of the Barnes & Thornburg to Act as the District's Bond Counsel

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval for Barnes & Thornburg LLP to act as the District's Bond Counsel in conjunction with the district's Series 2022 A-B-C General Obligation Bonds.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Hannah Dale

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval of Baker Tilly to Act as the District's Municipal Advisor

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval for Baker Tilly to act as the District's Municipal Advisor in conjunction with the district's 2022 Series A-B-C District - Wide Facilities and Technology General Obligation Bonds.

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Hannah Dale

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval of the Amendment to the Contract for Technical Assurance

Mr. Sampson recommend the approval of the amendment to the Technical Assurance contract to provide for Pre-Design field work for our roof projects. The cost of the amendment is \$27,220.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Emily Hartman

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval of B & L Roof Bid for Perry Meridian Middle School

Mr. Sampson recommended the approval of the B & L Sheet Metal and Roofing bid to complete the roof project at Perry Meridian Middle School. The bid of \$5,258,000 is the low and most responsive bid received. B & L Sheet Metal and Roofing has waived all Quarterly contingency clauses. The base bid does



include \$269,000 for monetary and material allowances. The estimate we received in November from Technical Assurance for this project was \$5,130,900.

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Steven Johnson

Approved: 6/0

#### Recommended Approval of Steve's Roofing and Sheet Metal Bid for Perry Township Education Center

Mr. Sampson recommended the approval of the Steve's Roofing and Sheet Metal's bid to complete the roof project at the Perry Township Education Center (PTEC). 1. The bid of \$1,243,556.55 is the low and most responsive bid received. The Base Bid for the project is \$995,500.00. Contingency Add is included to account for escalating prices over the term of the project. These amounts may not be expended if pricing does not warrant it. Quarter 4, 2022 Contingency - \$8,506.55; Quarter 1, 2023 Contingency - \$8,700.00; Quarter 2, 2023 Contingency - \$8,750.00; Quarter 3, 2023 Contingency - \$8,800.00; Quarter 4, 2023 Contingency - \$9,100.00. Alternates were accepted following consultation with Technical Assurance. The total cost for the accepted alternates is \$204,200. This amount is an addition to the bid listed above. The total cost of the project is \$1,243,556.55.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Emily Hartman

Approved: 6/0

#### Recommended Approval of the 2022-2023 Student Rights & Responsibilities Handbook

Mrs. Pollard recommended the approval of the 2022-2023 Student Rights & Responsibilities Handbook

Motioned: Hannah Dale

Seconded: Steve Johnson

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval of a New Course Adoption at Perry Meridian High School Beginning with the 2022-2023 School Year

Mrs. Pollard recommended the approval of the addition of Officiating 101 (IDOE #3560), a new course for Perry Meridian High School starting the 2022-2023 school year. The course will be piloted in the current Sport Skills class curriculum.

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Hannah Dale

Approved: 6/0



#### **Recommended Approval of the Acceptance of Donations**

Mrs. Vickie Carpenter recommended approval of the following donations:

# **Abraham Lincoln Elementary**

Abraham Lincoln Elementary received a donation of \$800.00 from Sertoma Club of Greenwood. This money will be used towards the rock and cement needed to lay the surface for a learning garden. A local landscaping company, B & B Diversified Services Inc will donate their machinery and labor costs to build the surface. A family will donate materials to build a sensory garden.

# **Clinton Young Elementary**

The RJS Foundation has donated \$500.00 to Clinton Young Elementary. The money will be used to help students go to the  $5^{th}$  Grade Camp.

Joanna Selig of the RJS Foundation donated \$150.00 to Clinton Young Elementary. This money will be used for the  $5^{th}$  Grade Camp.

#### **Southport Elementary**

Connections Graphic and Apparel donated \$156.25. This money will be used for the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp.

Two Southport Elementary families donated money to go towards the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Framosa trip. The Penniston family donated \$60.00 and the Murphy family donated \$20.00.

Kona Ice donated \$74.00 to Southport Elementary. This money will be used for the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Framosa trip.

# Winchester Village Elementary

Hubler Acura and dealership manager, Tony Hurt, donated 110 fifth-grade shirts. The shirts are valued at approximately \$1200.00.



Mrs. Jane Pollard recommended approval of the following donations:

#### Perry Meridian High School

Respectfully request approval of a \$1,251.94 donation from Vote Yes for Perry Schools. The funds will be used for student academic recognitions.

#### **Southport High School**

Respectfully request approval of a \$1,251.94 donation from Vote Yes for Perry Schools. The funds will be used to help with costs for awards and posters for our STARS (Students Tackling Academic Rigor Successfully) program.

Respectfully request approval of the following \$500 donations:

Harry F. Williams Athletic Scholarship Award Fred Fleetwood Scholarship Pete Hubert Captain's Scholarship Jennifer Harris/Boys Baseball

Motioned: Hannah Dale

Seconded: Emily Hartman

Approved: 6/0

# INFORMATION NOT REQUIRING ACTION

Mr. Sampson explained that the US DOE regulations require that ESSER III recipients must review their return to in-person instruction plans and revise as needed every six months. This requirement is for the statutory life of ESSER III (September 30, 2023) and the return to in-person instruction plans must include public comment and should be posted on the district's web site. Perry Township will continue to operate on the board approved 2022-23 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. Mr. Sampson explained that health protocols and plans for continuous learning will remain unchanged.

#### COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Hernandez thanked Mr. Hatcher for all the appropriation and bond presentations. He stated how it is we follow all guidelines to enable us to be excellent stewards of funds for the township and community. Mr. Hernandez appreciated that the Board was able to wrap up the Superintendent's contract. He knows



Perry Township Schools is very fortunate to have Mr. Mapes as the leader of our township. Mr. Hernandez said that there are so many people who don't know or recognize the amazing resource we have in Mr. Mapes and he was glad the Board could approve his contract. Mr. Hernandez was very pleased with the additional course added to the curriculum. He believes that the leadership skills acquired from the course and that potential professional officiating is very valuable to our students. Mr. Hernandez commented on how great it is to hear all the donations that schools are receiving.

Mrs. Dale said thank you to Mr. Hatcher and his team for all the work on all the bond issues and all the work involved in bringing issues and information to the Board. Mrs. Dale also thanked Mr. Sampson and Mr. Schott for their work keeping up with our construction needs during these busy times. She thanked Mrs. Baker for her work on the handbooks.

Mr. Johnson congratulated the District for a successful school year. To Mr. Mapes, regarding the approval of his contract, he believes Mr. Mapes is a valuable asset to the township and many people don't really know all the ways Mr. Mapes's expertise benefits our township and community. Mr. Johnson stated that overall, as a township, we have done really positive things for our staff, whether it be teachers, administrators, custodians, we want to do what is right for our people and he believes the District is moving towards that. Mr. Johnson stated that Mr. Mapes has been a positive influence in that aspect and that he has tentacles that are far reaching. Mr. Johnson stated that the Board continues to support Mr. Mapes and everyone who works for our township.

Mr. Heller stated that the continued ability to compensate our employees well and a great leadership structure attracts great employees. A benefits package helps attract the best employees but it's a huge organization with lots of moving parts and he is always surprised and impressed with all the efforts it takes. From a human resource perspective, thank you Mrs. Baker for everything that goes in to all those moving parts. Mr. Heller stated that it's not every day we approve the things we approved today including being able to increase pay for some of our employees. Mr. Heller gave his thanks for the staff, coaches and other employees who continue to work during the summer to help propel our students forward. Mr. Heller looks forward to the beginning of the school year and setting goals high to achieve success for our community.

Mr. Johnson backtracked to speak to the transportation employees who attended the meeting. He thanked them for the safety, awareness and love they show to make sure our students are transported safely every day.

Mrs. Hartman acknowledged the amount of work Mr. Sampson, Mr. Hatcher and Mrs. Baker and their team put in to making sure the support staff was compensated with an increase. Mrs. Hartman said that just like in our personal lives, the rising cost of supplies affects the district and the Board and Administration is working towards prioritizing our spending. She appreciated that we could prioritize our



people because when we do that, we will always be winning. Mrs. Hartman thanked everyone for a great end of the school year and beginning of summer school. She appreciated that we continued to educate, transport and feed over 5,000 students this summer. Mrs. Hartman relayed a story about a coworker who stopped her to let her know how proud the coworker was that her son just graduated from Southport High School. The coworker didn't always think he would make it but because of the support her son and their family received from the high school, he was able to graduate. The parent said the high school never gave up on him and she was so thankful. Mrs. Hartman is grateful when the community can see that we don't give up on our kids, everyone matters.

Mr. Shively started by recognizing Sophia McKinney, a student journalist from Southport High School who was recognized as part of the Diana Hadley Honor Roll class of 22, an annual recognition presented to individuals who display journalistic excellence while following the organizations core values. Mr. Shively stated that having sat in a facilities meeting, he knows Mr. Schott and his team are working nonstop and most people will not notice but he appreciates the valuable work they are doing to keep the buildings safe, comfortable and enjoyable. Mr. Shively appreciates that we can purchase the activity buses to better serve our students. The PAC donating the remainder of the funds to the high schools is a wonderful example of people supporting "Vote Yes for Perry Township" directly impacting the schools. Regarding summer school and the various camps going on throughout the district, Mr. Shively is impressed to see the amount of people willing to help support our students through these activities. Mr. Shively acknowledged the valuable role our classified staff play in supporting our teachers and students, without them, our township couldn't serve the needs of students.

On behave of the classified staff, Mr. Mapes thanked the Board for showing a great investment in our staff. Mr. Mapes announced our Administrators of the Year. Mr. Mapes takes nominations from all the admin team and this year Sharon Baker, Erin Coleman, Patrick Murphy and Kirby Schott share the Administrator of the Year award. Mr. Mapes thought it was awesome other administrators nominated these four Administrators after they worked diligently to support the district these last two years. Mr. Mapes said we would not have a Public Work Session in June. Our next Regular Board meeting will be July 11, 2022 but we will have a Public Work Session on July 18, 2022. On the 18<sup>th</sup> we will visit some facilities within the district to see updates on projects that the Board has approved. Mr. Mapes thanked the Board for renewing his contract. He appreciates the investment they have made in him.

#### **ADJOURMENT**

Mr. Shively sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m.



LEE SHIVELY, PRESIDENT

EMILY HARTMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

SCOTT HELLER, SECRETARY

KENNETH J MERTZ, BOARD MEMBER

HANNAH DALE, BOARD MEMBER

STEVE JOHNSON, BOARD MEMBER

JAMES H HERNANDEZ, BOARD MEMBER