

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

# November 14, 2022

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227.

## **Board of Education Members:**

Mr. Lee Shively, President	Present
Mrs. Emily Hartman, Vice President	Present
Mr. Scott Heller, Board Secretary	Present
Mr. Kenneth Mertz, Board Member	Present
Mr. Steve Johnson, Board Member	Present
Mrs. Hannah Dale, Board Member	Absent
Mr. James H. Hernandez, 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. Shively called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.



## **RECOGNITIONS**

Recognition of Office Depot Representatives Al Rodriguez, Regional Manager and Jackie Davis, Store Manager.

Office Depot selected Perry Township Schools to be a recipient of their Back-to School Program for 2022. Office Depot supports schools with high poverty and donates money to the teachers to offset their out-of-pocket expenses for school supplies. Office Depot donated over \$23,000 to Perry Township Schools; all teachers at Abraham Lincoln, Clinton Young and Winchester Village received a gift card for the opportunity to shop at the Greenwood Office Depot.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No patrons requested to speak.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- o Minutes of the October 24, 2022 Budget Adoption Hearing and Special Board meeting and the October 24, 2022 Executive Session of the Board of Education
- o September, 2022 Financial Report
- o November 14, 2022 Allowance of Vouchers
- November 14, 2022 Personnel Report
- Perry Township Schools Staff Travel
- Contract Amendment #VI to our Guaranteed Energy Savings Agreement with Energy Systems Group
- o Fundraisers, Elementary and Secondary

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Steve Johnson

Approved: 6/0



## ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

## Recommended Approval of the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 School Calendars

The school calendar committee met to establish the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school calendars. Representing Perry Township Administration was Chris Sampson, Jane Pollard and Vickie Carpenter. PEA was represented by Leslie Preddy, Kyle Hanefeld and Julie Breeden.

Motioned: Ken Mertz

Seconded: Jim Hernandez

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval of Administrator and Director Staff Pay Increase

Mr. Mapes recommended the approval of a \$3,000 base pay increase for Principals and Assistant Principals and a 3.0% base pay increase for all other Administrators for 2022-2023. Administrator staff that were employed during the 2021-2022 school year must have received an Effective or Highly Effective evaluation in order to be eligible for the increase and must be currently employed. This increase is retroactive to the start of the 2022-2023 school year and is an increase to base pay to administrators currently employed only.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Ken Mertz

Approved: 6/0

## **Recommended Approval of School Bus Bids**

Mr. Sampson recommended the approval of bids from Bluebird for the purchase of eleven school buses from MacAllister Transportation. Bluebird had the overall low bid on the purchase of the eleven buses. The bids were procured through the CIESC purchasing cooperative which satisfies all legal requirements for purchasing items over \$150,000. The purchase of these buses is in alignment with our bus replacement plan and will be paid for out of the Operations Fund. Perry Township Schools anticipate taking delivery of the buses in November, 2023. The previous bus orders have all been delivered with the exception of two 54 passenger buses that were ordered in December of 2021. The 84 passenger buses will be powered by a diesel engine while the 54 passenger buses will be gas-powered.

Motioned: Steve Johnson

Seconded: Emily Hartman

Approved: 6/0

**Recommended Approval of the Acceptance of Donations** 



Mrs. Vickie Carpenter recommended the approval of the following donations:

## **Abraham Lincoln Elementary**

The Kiwanis of Perry Township donated \$300.00 to Abraham Lincoln Elementary. This money will help support the AL Music Program.

Mrs. Jane Pollard recommended the approval of the following donations:

# Perry Meridian High School

Respectfully requests approval of a donation of assorted school supplies for PMHS FACS teacher, Megan Eder. The items were donated by DonorsChoose.org (nonprofit that helps public school teachers get resources for their classrooms) for Ms. Eder to use in her classroom.

# **Southport High School**

Respectfully requests approval of a \$500 donation to SHS DECA Club for being chosen a 2022 McDonald's MAC Grant recipient. The funds will be used to help create items from an in-house printing shop.

Respectfully requests approval of a \$100 donation from The Twisted Strand, LLC, to become a student sponsor of the DECA Club. The funds will be used for various club needs.

Respectfully requests approval of a \$50.72 donation received from patrons while the Robotics Club attended a Robotics fair. The donation will be used to fund different events and supplies needed for the year.

### **Compass Education Center**

Respectfully requests approval of \$40.87 donation from Connection Graphics and Apparel. The funds were a percentage given back to CEC from a shirt sale, and will be used for student incentives and celebrations.

Respectfully requests approval of a Christmas tree and decorations valued at approximately \$500. Employee Jennifer Brehob, her husband, and Richard Meier, a community member, donated the items to be used for the LC Young/Perry Township Breakfast with Santa.



### **JWR**

Respectfully requests approval of a \$100 donation made in honor of Michael Goodman, Perv Township retiree. The funds will be used to purchase lumber for the JWR Success Academy workshop.

Motioned: Emily Hartman

Seconded: Jim Hernandez

Approved: 6/0

# COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Hernandez was pleased that we recognized Office Depot as a Community Partner and thanked Office Depot for their generosity and support of Perry Township Schools. He stated it was a pleasure to vote to increase Administrator pay as it helps maintain our competitiveness and enables us to retain excellent Administrators. Mr. Hernandez enjoys hearing how the community supports our schools through donations.

Mr. Johnson thanked Mr. Hernandez for his time and positive work on the Board. He congratulated Mr. Shively for being re-elected to the Board and Mr. Chris Lewis and Mr. Hre Mang for winning the election and looks forward to working with them.

Mr. Mertz thanked Office Depot for participating as a Community Partner with Perry Township Schools. He thanked Mr. Hernandez for his time on the Board and appreciates Mr. Hernandez's commitment and dedication to the Board and Perry Township Schools. Mr. Mertz congratulated Mr. Shively for his re-election.

Mr. Heller concurred with the comments from Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Mertz.

Mrs. Hartman thanked the teachers and staff who stay over their normal work day to supervise students due to the bus driver shortage, she appreciates staff who put student safety first.

Mr. Shively announced that December 5, 2022, the Board will hold a Special Board meeting to give the community an opportunity to voice concerns related to the proposed establishment of elementary boundary lines. He said the Board is listening to parents, asking good questions of Administration and discussing all aspects of the proposal. Mr. Shively thanked Office Depot for their generous grant to teachers. Mr. Shively was pleased the Board voted to compensate Administrators for their work. Mr. Shively spoke about the donation to support the Arts and is glad we encourage teachers in the Art's to continue their professional development. Mr. Shively was humbled to be able to serve on the Board for another term, as an educator, he hopes to bring a valuable viewpoint to the Board and appreciates the perspective he has gained from the Superintendent and Administrators about the inner operations of running a school district. Mr. Shively



congratulated Mr. Lewis and Mr. Mang for their election to the Board and looks forward to working with them. Mr. Shively spoke of the honor it has been serving on the Board with Mr. Hernandez and wished him the best.

On behalf of the Administrators, Mr. Mapes thanked the Board for their salary compensation. Mr. Mapes spoke of the special programs all our buildings participated in to honor veterans on Veteran's Day. It is important to teach children that the freedoms they enjoy today are because a veteran sacrificed and fought for that freedom. Mr. Mapes ended by thanking all the staff, students and guests who participated in the Veteran's programs.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Shively sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

LEE SHIVELY, PRESIDENT

SCOTT HELLER, SECRETARY

HANNAH DALE, BOARD MEMBER

EMILY HARTMAN, VICE PRESIDENT

KENNETH J MERTZ/BOARD MEMBER

Absent, December 12, 2022

STEVE JOHNSON, BOARD MEMBER

JAMES H HERNANDEZ, BOARD MEMBER