

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

## February 13, 2023

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227.

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

Mrs. Emily Hartman, President	Present
Mr. Scott Heller, Vice President	Present
Mr. Kenneth Mertz, Board Secretary	Present
Mr. Lee Shively, Board Member	Present
Mr. Steve Johnson, Board Member	Absent
Mr. Hre Mang, Board Member	Present
Mr. Chris Lewis, 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**

Mrs. Hartman called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.



## RECOGNITIONS

Mrs. Jane Pollard, along with Kert Boedicker, recognized Kaleigh Butts, Jude Hunt, Colleen Li and Taylor Powell, juniors at Perry Meridian High School, for being chosen 2023 Indiana Association of School Principals, Rising Stars of Indiana. Each Indiana high school can recognize up to four individual students in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade based on academic achievement. Perry Township Schools was honored to recognize the four outstanding students for their hard work and accomplishments.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Ann (declined to give her last name and address) addressed the Board concerning the minutes from a previous meeting, the new superintendent's contract, the township budget and use of funds and referendum monies.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- Minutes of the January 9, 2023 Executive Session, the January 9, 2023 Organizational, Board of Finance and Regular Board Meeting, the January 17, 2023 Executive Session, the January 23, 2023 Executive Session, the January 24, 2023 Executive Session, the January 31, 2023 Executive Session, and February 1, 2023 Executive Session and the February 6, 2023 Executive Session
- December, 2022 Financial Report
- o February 13, 2023 Allowance of Vouchers
- o February 13, 2023 Personnel Report
- o Perry's Own Summer Camp (POPS)
- Perry Township Schools Administrators Retreat and Planning Session
- Perry Township Schools Staff Travel
- Perry Township Schools School Travel and Out-of-State School Travel
- o Contract Renewal with blumm for SMART Learning Suite
- Fundraisers, Elementary and Secondary

Motioned: Lee Shively

Seconded: Ken Mertz

Approved: 6/0



## ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Recommended Approval of the Adoption of New Courses at Perry Meridian High School Beginning with the 2024-2025 School Year

Mrs. Pollard recommended the adoption of a new course, 1538 Topics in History -World War One (TOP HIST), at PMHS starting the 2024-2025 school year.

Motioned: Lee Shively

Seconded: Scott Heller

Approved: 6/0

Recommended Approval of the Service Agreement between Perry Township Schools and Deeply Ingrained

Mrs. Pollard recommended the approval of the professional service agreement in the amount of \$6400, between Perry Township Schools and Deeply Ingrained (David Haughs). The agreement provides workshop programming to Perry Township students.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Chris Lewis

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval of the Contract Addition between Perry Township Schools and Toshiba

Mr. Willey recommended the approval of a contract addition with Toshiba for copier replacements. The devices will replace existing small table top copier units at Perry Meridian High.

Motioned: Ken Mertz

Seconded: Hre Mang

Approved: 6/0

# Recommended Approval to Void Outstanding Two-Year Old Checks

Mr. Hatcher recommended the approval to void outstanding unpaid warrants and checks pursuant to State Law IC 5-11-10.5-2. Attempts have been made to contact all parties involved.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Hre Mang

Approved: 6/0



## Recommended Approval of the Acceptance of Donations

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

## **Abraham Lincoln Elementary**

Meijer of Indianapolis donated \$1000.00 in gift cards to ALE. Gift cards will be used to support students at AL as needed throughout the school year.

Office Works of Indianapolis donated 27 office chairs to ALE. They will be used in different areas of the school as needed.

Center United Methodist Church donated \$230.00 to ALE to be used to benefit students as needed.

#### **Clinton Young Elementary**

Mr. Swargam, a Clinton Young parent, donated \$101.00. Money will be used for student needs or activity.

#### **Douglas MacArthur Elementary**

Meijer Store #134 donated \$1000.00 in gift cards to DME. Money will be used for student activities.

RTR Events donated \$300.00 to the DME Spotlight Singers.

The Douglas MacArthur PTA donated \$721.50 from the sale of Candy Grams. Money will be used to help support the DME Student Council.

Art to Remember donated \$484.06 to DME. Money will be used to help support student activities.

#### Jeremiah Gray Elementary

The IMPD donated \$850.00 in Kohls gift cards. Gift Cards will be used to provide needed supplies/clothes/etc. or rewards for JGE students.



## Winchester Village Elementary

Mrs. Carol Adams and Mrs. Linda Starr, former Perry Teachers, donated \$100.00 to Winchester Village Elementary school in honor of Mr. Jon Morris. Money will be used for fourth grade students as that was the grade they taught with Mr. Morris.

Chick-Fil-A North Greenwood donated \$500.00 to Winchester Village. Money will be used to help pay down accrued student lunch debts. They also donated free meal cards to all WV staff and students.

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

#### **Southport High School**

\$100 - Mr. P. D. Van Horn, alumni of SHS, to be used for baseball equipment

\$100 - Mr. David Simpson, alumni of SHS, to be used for baseball equipment

\$1000- Journalism Education Association, awarded for Mr. Brian Knight, chosen as the 2022 Administrator of the Year for the journalism program. The funds will be used for the Journalism/ Anchor travel fund.

Donations from staff and/or staff family members to be used for DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America - encourages the development of business and leadership skills through academic conferences and competitions) needs:

\$250 - Jim and Vivian Leach (Vivian Leach - employee)

\$250 - JFW Industries

\$200 - One Eight Enterprises

\$200 - Reed's Property Service (Kayla Reed-employee)

#### Southport Middle School

Southport Academy/Southport Middle School PTSA:

\$208 to be used for SMS Student Council \$452 to be used for SMS Drama Club \$633.25 to be used for SMS Student Council



\$135 to be used for SMS Drama Club \$135 to be used for SMS Art Department \$135 to be used for SMS Music Department

Motioned: Ken Mertz

Seconded: Hre Mang

Approved: 6/0

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

Mr. Lewis recognized Kirby Schott for helping a teacher with her classroom. He congratulated AJ Dancler at SHS for breaking the boys' varsity scoring record. Mr. Lewis wished Coach James lucky towards the goal of hitting 600 wins in his career.

Mr. Shively congratulated the PMHS Rising Stars. He was pleased to see the new course proposed for PMHS. Mr. Shively appreciates we compensate teachers for their extracurricular service. Mr. Shively spoke of inflation and salary averages in regard to a patron's comments about superintendent and teacher pay.

Mr. Mang had no comment.

Mr. Mertz encouraged anyone with budget questions to schedule an appointment with Mr. Hatcher. He congratulated the PMHS students for their accomplishments. Mr. Mertz is pleased a history class will be added to the high school curriculum.

Mr. Heller stated how much he enjoyed working with various administrators during the search for a new superintendent. Mr. Heller talked about base teacher salaries and what other states are doing and how we need to stay competitive to ensure quality teachers in our classrooms. Mr. Heller thanked Mr. Hatcher for his work giving the Board good information on the budget.

Mrs. Hartman congratulated Brittany Tinkler for receiving the Milken Education Award. Mrs. Hartman referenced the bill currently under discussion that would require all school board members to declare their party affiliation and stated that every decision she has made as a Board member has always been made in the best interest of our students and hopes boards do not become political.

Mr. Mapes thanked both high schools for hosting state level tournaments. Mr. Mapes thanked our Perry Police Officers who have unfortunately been very busy making sure we have a safe community and safe schools.



# **ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs. Hartman sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

EMILY HARTMAN, PRESIDENT

SCOTT HELLER, VICE PRESIDENT

KEN MERTZ. SECRETARY

Absent, March 13, 2023

STEVE JOHNSON, BOARD MEMBER

LEE SHIVELY, BOARD MEMBER,

CHRIS LEWIS, BOARD MEMBER

Absent, March 13, 2023

HRE MANG, BOARD MEMBER