



Perry Township Schools

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MINUTES OF THE MAY 8, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

The Board of Education of Perry Township Schools, Marion County, Indiana held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, May 8, 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	Present
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. Jeff Spencer, Director of Title I, & IV and Secondary	Present
Mrs. Star Hardimon, Director of Title II & III and Elementary	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.



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RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Sampson recognized School Nurse Manager, Esther Moeller. Esther was recently selected by the National Association of School Nurses as the Indiana School Nurse Administrator of the Year.

Mrs. Carpenter recognized Douglas MacArthur Elementary Math Bowl Team as the 2023 State Runners Up! They were number 2 out of 145 teams in Indiana.

Coaches: Nicole Swisher & Amy Coffey

Paul Thawng Lun Thang
Beatriz Piercefield-Bodiker
Ayush Kalasannavar
Kenneth Vander May

Tial lang
David Laizo
Logan Pedraza

Biakhlei Par
Jaxen Wilde
Bhavya Kuna

Liliana Hamilton
Merry Thian Mawi
Anika Choudhary

Mrs. Pollard recognized Perry Meridian High School Senior, Anna Kavanaugh. Anna was named a 2023 Indiana Academic All-Star. Each high school may nominate one senior based on criteria, such as number of advanced classes taken, standardized test scores, extracurricular activities, leadership and community service involvement.

Mrs. Pollard recognized Southport High School Junior, Katie Essex. Katie was chosen as one of only 4 students (one for each STEM discipline) in the state of Indiana to become a member of Governor Holcomb's 2023 STEM team. Katie is the 2023 Engineering Representative. This program recognizes Indiana's top high school students for their achievements in STEM, through their coursework, extracurricular activities, work/research projects, leadership roles and community service.

Mrs. Pollard recognized Perry Meridian Middle School and Southport Middle School music programs, as well as Perry Township Music Departments. Perry Meridian Middle and Southport Middle are both recipients of the Indiana State Music Association All-Music Award for the 2022-2023 school year. PMMS Band and SMS Band and Orchestra were chosen for their success and achievements as outstanding musical organizations. Perry Township Schools has been selected as one of the Best Communities for Music Education for 2023 by the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation. This award recognizes school districts nationwide for outstanding efforts by teachers, parents, students, administrators and community leaders. Perry Township is one of only 16 districts chosen from 292 public school districts in the state.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No patrons signed up to speak.



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CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Minutes of the April 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting, April 24, 2023 Executive Session and April 24, 2023 Special Board Meeting and Public Work Session
- March, 2023 Financial Report
- May 8, 2023 Allowance of Vouchers
- May 8, 2023 Personnel Report
- Board Resignation, Scott Heller
- Perry Township Schools Staff Travel
- Perry Township Schools K-12 School Travel
- Perry Meridian High School and Southport High School Summer Camps
- 2023-2024 Child Nutrition Meal Pricing
- 2023-2024 Student Admission at Sporting Events
- Treasurer, Deputy Treasurers and Position Surety Bonds for the 2023-2024 School Year
- Agreement with Grant Keys Lawn Service to Perform Landscaping Services
- Agreement with Grant Keys Lawn Service to Perform Landscaping Maintenance
- Agreement with Kleenit Group, Inc. to Perform Carpet Cleaning Services
- Agreement with PHD Carpet and Janitorial Services to Perform Carpet Cleaning
- 2023-2024 Child Nutrition Contract with Southside Special Services
- Contract Renewal with Mindy Koehne Orientation and Mobility Services
- Fundraisers, Elementary & Secondary

Motioned: Lee Shively

Seconded: Ken Mertz

Approved: 7/0

Mr. Mapes, Mrs. Carpenter and Mrs. Pollard took a minute to introduce newly approved administrators. In attendance and accompanied by their families were Jeff Spencer, Davide Walpole, Brandi Battinau, Nicole Blackley, Jennifer (J.J.) Tidd, Bill Zych, Paul Douglass and Steve Drwecki.



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ITEMS OF INFORMATION REQUIRING ACTION

Recommended Approval of Textbook Adoption for Secondary Schools

Mrs. Pollard recommended the approval of textbook adoption for secondary schools.

SCHOOL	COURSE TITLE	TEXTBOOK/CONSUMABLE	PUBLISHER
PMHS	SC11-12 Biology SC13-14 Biology Honors SC31-32 Environmental Science SC33-34 Earth Science SC83-84 — Integrated Chemistry & Physics	Actively Learn — 6 yr Subscription	McGraw Hill
PMHS	H042-43P — Understanding Diversity a/b	Savvas — Understanding Human Differences: Multicultural Education for a Diverse America isbn:978013519673-1	Savvas
PMHS	H042-43P — Understanding Diversity a/b	Culturally Responsive Teaching for Multilingual Learners: Tools for Equity isbn:9781544390253	Sydney Cail Snyder & Diane Staehr Fenner
SHS	BU55-56 — Management Fundamentals DC a/b	Management, 15 th edition isbn:9780136708933	Savvas

Motioned: Lee Shively

Seconded: Ken Mertz

Approved: 7/0

Recommended Approval of Textbook Adoption for Elementary Schools

Mrs. Carpenter recommended the approval of textbook adoption for elementary schools.

Social Studies-Savvas myWorld Interactive for Indiana has been chosen as the curriculum for the new Social Studies adoption for all elementary schools starting in the 2023-2024 school year. Savvas is our current curriculum for Social Studies. We will continue this curriculum for grades 3 - 5 only. K- 2 Social Studies curriculum is embedded in our current HMH Reading curriculum.

Science-Project Lead The Way curriculum has been chosen by the Elementary Science Adoption Committee for the new Science adoption for all elementary schools starting in the 2023 - 2024 school year. The committee did a crosswalk between the PLTW modules and the Indiana state science standards. Modules were selected for each grade level based on their ability to support the science standards at that grade level. In addition, PLTW curriculum was chosen because of its engagement, rigor, and strength in supporting the four areas of the Science standards, Life Science, Earth and Space, Physical, and Computer and Engineering.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Chris Lewis

Approved: 7/0



Recommended Approval of Renovation Project at JWR Building

Mr. Sampson recommended the approval of the renovation project of the old JWR building on Shelby Street. The purpose of the project is to renovate the building to accommodate high school classes for Southside Special Services. Southside Special Services currently rents the old JWR building on Shelby Street. All costs of the project will be incurred by Southside Special Services. All plans for the renovation will be cleared and approved by Perry Township Schools. This project and the funding of the project by Southside Special Services are consistent with the terms of our lease agreement.

Motioned: Scott Heller

Seconded: Hre Mang

Approved: 7/0

Recommended Approval of Agreement Renewal with SysCloud

Mr. Willey recommended approval of a renewal with SysCloud for their Google Workspace Backup/Archive system. The system provides long and short-term backups for all of our staff and students. It is a yearly increase of 10.5% which is reflective of our increase in usage and yearly service cost increases.

Motioned: Steven Johnson

Seconded: Lee Shively

Approved: 7/0

Recommended Approval of the Acceptance of Donations

Mrs. Carpenter recommended approval of the following donations:

Abraham Lincoln Elementary

The Kiwanis Club of Perry Township donated \$460.00 to Abraham Lincoln Elementary School to be used to support the music program by purchasing two xylophone carts.

Clinton Young Elementary

The Lenten Breakfast Series Indianapolis Central District of the United Methodist Church donated \$100.00 to Clinton Young Elementary to be used to help offset the cost of the 5th grade camp.



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Southport Elementary

Two Southport Elementary families donated money to go towards the fourth-grade trip to Camp Framasa. Elsa Korina Herrera donated \$200.00 and Scott and Barbara Davis donated \$60.00.

Mrs. Pollard recommended approval of the following donations:

Perry Meridian High School

A \$7500 donation from the American Legion Post 355. The money will be spent on student incentives, student celebrations and student needs.

Southport High School

A \$7500 donation from American Legion Post 355 to be used to enhance the Southport experience.

A \$300 donation from an anonymous donation of 6 power ride cars valued at \$300 to be used for the mini-movers program.

A Proseal 44 laminator from Shackelford Graphics (estimated value \$2000+).

A \$1100 donation from I.L.A Local 1969 (\$1000) and Ermco (\$100) to be used for the mini-movers program.

A \$5000 from Lilly US Matching Grants Program for the Chuck Huffman Scholarship, which is given to two athletes in the amount of \$500 each.

Perry Meridian Middle School

A \$400 donation from B & J Mechanical, Inc., to be used by the Student Council Club to offset the cost of the 8th Grade Dance.



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Compass Education Center

A \$70 donation from Bubba's to be used for student incentives and student celebrations.

A \$200 donation from Diana Johnes to be used for student incentives and student celebrations.

A \$200 donation from Jennifer Brehob to be used for student incentives and student celebrations

Motioned: Hre Mang

Seconded: Chris Lewis

Approved: 7/0

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Johnson congratulated all those recognized and stated he truly appreciates all those who donate to the township.

Mr. Lewis recognized the 13Y Edgewood Bulldog baseball team who found an iPad while practicing and turned it in.

Mr. Shively thanked all the coaches, throughout the school year, who donate their time and talent to make sure our student athletes can participate in the sports they love. Mr. Shively continues to be thankful for those who donate their time, talent and financially to ensure students have the resources they need. Mr. Shively congratulated all those who were recognized, especially Esther Moeller, who was a great resource and advocate for the township during COVID.

Mr. Mang congratulated those who were recognized and appreciates the several different school activities available that play a part in the growth of students.

Mr. Mertz congratulated those recognized and all staff who accepted leadership roles in the district.

Mr. Heller thanked everyone for the incredible experience he has had while serving on the Board. Mr. Heller appreciated learning how the school district is managed and how the district plays a critical role in the community. Mr. Heller appreciates the way the Administration connects with the community, builds culture in buildings and encourages student growth. Mr. Heller said from the top to the bottom, Perry Township Schools is doing great things.

Mrs. Hartman was glad to see so many staff move into leadership positions. Perry Township Schools doesn't just grow students, we grow leaders. Mrs. Hartman thanked Mr. Mapes for again providing students the



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opportunity to attend school sporting events during the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Hartman thanked Mr. Heller for his service to the Board and Perry Township Schools.

Mr. Mapes presented Mr. Heller a plaque for his service to the Board of Education. Mr. Mapes thanked those who organized, set up and hosted the District Art Show, especially Aaron Hufnagel, the event was a great success. Mr. Mapes thanked Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. Pollard and the many other district leaders and administrators who worked tirelessly to interview and select the best candidates for open administrative positions.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Mrs. Hartman sounded the gavel to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

EMILY HARTMAN, PRESIDENT

KEN MERTZ, SECRETARY

STEVE JOHNSON, BOARD MEMBER

LEE SHIVELY, BOARD MEMBER

CHRIS LEWIS, BOARD MEMBER

Absent 6-12-2023

HRE MANG, BOARD MEMBER

JIM HERNANDEZ, BOARD MEMBER