

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

Regular Meeting, March 10, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.

Location: H. Dean Evans Community and Education Center

Present: Ms. Harris, Mr. Kite, Mr. Dzwonar, Mrs. Spann Roddy and Mr. Wright

Absent: None

Others: Dr. Mervilde, Mrs. Sutton, Mr. Doss, Dr. Ewing, Dr. Farrell, Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. Smith, Dr. Woodson, Dudley Miller, Bill Turner, Loretta Conner, Holly Solomon, Jamie Phillips, Pam Kendrick, Carol Pierobon Hofer, Lisa MeHarry, Suzanne Zybert, Kathy Rieke, Nathan Keith, Judy Fraps, Chris Wood, Diane Willis, Clyde Lee, Chuck Rubright

Presiding: Ms. Harris, President

Ms. Harris called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the recitation of the pledge of allegiance led by Mr. Doss.

Approval Consent Agenda

Dr. Mervilde recommended that the Board approve the Consent Agenda including the following items:

- Approval of the Minutes of the February 24, 2010 Regular Meeting and the February 24, 2010 Memoranda of Executive and Special Sessions
- Approval of Claims in the amount of \$7,699,109.70
- Approval of the Human Resources Report containing: Certified Personnel – Five Retirements (4), (5), (6), (7), (8); – Classified Personnel – Three New Appointments (122), (123), (124); Two Resignations (40), (41); and One Retirement (6).
- Approval or Acceptance of Non-competitive Grants, Gifts and Donations: There were no non-competitive grants or donations presented for the Board's approval.

Mr. Kite moved approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. Spann Roddy seconded. Passed unanimously.

Recognitions

Lisa Meharry has worked at Faith Missionary Church for the last ten years. She is leaving Indianapolis to fulfill a call in Florida. Faith Missionary Church not only provides the use of their facilities free of charge to Washington Township, but volunteers as well. The volunteers and Faith staff provide school supplies and holiday parties for our students. Lisa was recognized because for the last seven years her leadership at Faith has assisted with the Nora After School Achievers and the LaEscuelita Preschool Programs.

Jamie Phillips, a District Title I teacher, and Carol Pierobon Hofer and Pam Kendrick, teachers at Fox Hill Elementary, were recognized for achieving National Board Certification. National Board Certification is a voluntary process requiring a substantial investment of time and effort. Teachers spend a year documenting and demonstrating their knowledge and skills as

professional educators. They assembled portfolios that included video recorded samples of their teaching practice, reflected on these with a mentor teacher and completed a series of rigorous self-assessment exercises.

Superintendent's Announcements

Tuesday March 16th is the next round of Board and Administrator school visits to John Strange and Fox Hill. Congratulations to Doug Mitchell and the North Central High School Boys Basketball Team. They will play at noon on Saturday, March 13th at Hinkle Fieldhouse against Ben Davis. Myron El, music teacher at Crooked Creek Elementary School, was recognized as one of the Center for Leadership Development Achievers at the Center's Annual Awards Ceremony. Kristen Poindexter, teacher at Spring Mill Elementary, has been selected as an Armstrong Fellow with Indiana University. This award will allow Kristen to become a teacher trainer at Indiana University. Both teachers will be honored at a future School Board Meeting. The Great North Run will be held on Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at North Central High School. Scott Jones, North Central Alumnus and founder of Cha Cha, will be the honorary starter at the event.

Comments From the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Action Items

1. Second Reading and Adoption of Policies 3121, 4121, 0140, 2464, 5460, 6460, 2209, 2700, 3142, 3430.01, 4430.01, 3437, 4437, 7440, 8330 & 8600 – Dr. Woodson

The Board had received an Executive Summary regarding the policies and approved the First Reading Revision of the policies at the February 24, 2010 Board Meeting. Dr. Woodson provided a document detailing the minor revisions made to policies 0140, 3220 and 4121 since First Reading. One of the policies that Dr. Woodson presented to the Board at the February 24th Board Meeting was inadvertently omitted from the Agenda. After discussion, the Board decided to amend the Agenda to include Policy 3220.

Mr. Dzwonar made a motion to amend the Agenda's Action Item One to include Policy 3220 as presented in the March 10 update. Mr. Kite seconded. Passed unanimously.

Dr. Woodson went over several revisions and asked the Board to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the policies presented. The Board had questions. Discussion took place. It was agreed that Dr. Woodson will make the minor amendment in the new paragraph in Policy 3220 to include the full Indiana Code citation to accompany the "subsection (6)" text.

Mr. Dzwonar moved approval of Second Reading and Adoption of said policies as presented. Mr. Kite seconded. Passed unanimously.

2. Recommendation to Approve Roof Replacement Contracts for Northview Middle School and North Central High School – Mr. Smith

As legally advertised, bids for roof replacement at North Central High School and Northview Middle School were opened and read aloud on Wednesday, February 10th at the H. Dean Evans Community and Education Center. Five contractors submitted bids.

The base bid for the final phase of re-roofing at North Central High School included the removal and replacement of 134,000 square feet of roof and the removal of mounting and support structures abandoned on the roof when the existing air-cooled chillers were replaced with water-cooled chillers in 2002. There were also two alternate bids, one to remove an unnecessary roof relief vent and the other to install a vapor barrier to a section of the roof.

The base bid for Northview included the removal and replace of 164,000 square feet of roof and an alternate that included wall repair.

Mr. Smith recommended that Blackmore and Buckner be awarded a contract in the amount of \$1,671,750 for the replacement of North Central High School roof – Phase III. This amount includes the alternates and he recommended that R. Adams Roofing be awarded a contract in the amount of \$2,884,700 for the replacement of the Northview Middle School roof. This award includes alternate one. The Board had questions. Discussion took place.

Mr. Kite moved approval to award a contract to Blackmore and Buckner for the replacement of 134,000 square feet of roof for North Central High School – Phase III in the amount of \$1,671,750 and also moved approval to award a contract to R. Adams Roofing for the replacement of 164,000 square feet of roof for Northview Middle School in the amount of \$2,884,700 as presented. Mr. Wright seconded. Passed unanimously.

3. Recommendation to Award Professional Services Contract – Mr. Smith

Early last summer, a Professional Services Request for Proposal was released for roof replacement at North Central High School and Northview Middle School. Eleven proposals were received and evaluated using the established criteria. CSO Architects submitted a proposal that met and exceeded all evaluation criteria. CSO was selected to provide design services, specifications and construction drawings. The design work has been completed, the projects bid and construction will begin soon. CSO worked closely with the School District and the roof consultant to produce construction documents that addressed all existing roof issues at the two schools. As a result, Mr. Smith recommended that CSO Architects be awarded a contract in the amount of \$60,000 for design, specification and construction drawing services related to the roof replacement projects at J. Everett Light Career Center and Allisonville and Nora Elementary Schools. The Board had questions. Discussion took place.

Mr. Dzwonar moved approval to award a contract to CSO Architects in the amount of \$60,000 as presented. Mr. Kite seconded. Passed unanimously.

Information Items

1. Board Discussion on Security – Dr. Mervilde

Dr. Mervilde showed a PowerPoint to address the concerns raised in a letter he received from Mr. Wright about the District's security. The Board had questions. Discussion took place. The

discussion and the Power Point can be accessed on the District's website at <http://www.msdt.k12.in.us/board/mini.html>

2. Board/Superintendent Compact – Mrs. Spann Roddy and Mr. Kite

After some discussion about the Board/Superintendent Compact, Ms. Harris suggested that the Board continue this discussion at a future Board Meeting as suggested changes to the first draft document discussed in February were not submitted in time to complete a revised draft for consideration at this meeting. The Board had questions. Discussion took place. The discussion can be accessed on the District's website at <http://www.msdt.k12.in.us/board/file.html>

Board Liaison Reports

Mr. Kite attended the Spring Mill Rock and Roll Auction at the Gene B. Glick Center. They raised \$18,000. He also attended the District's Autism Fair that featured an enlightening panel discussion of three young men with autism.

Mr. Dzwonar attended the Eastwood eighth grade Persuasive Essay presentations on policy issues. The students did a wonderful job, researching and presenting the information. The students were very engaged.

Mrs. Spann Roddy attended a conference on child health. The speaker talked about connectiveness and how if students don't connect with a caring adult at home they can connect to one or more at school. North Central High School does a great job of connecting students with caring adults.

Ms. Harris also attended the Eastwood Persuasive Essay presentations and said these presentations are helping students learn how to present an argument.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Wright moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. Mr. Kite seconded.