

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DECATUR TOWNSHIP
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA**

The Metropolitan School District of Decatur Township School Board convened for a Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices of the School Corporation, 5275 Kentucky Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana on August 14, 2018.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Judith Collins
Mr. Larry Taylor
Mr. Jimmy Ray
Mrs. Estella Vandeventer
Mr. Dale Henson

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Matthew Prusiecki, Superintendent
Mr. Tony Burchett, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Kirk Farmer, Chief Financial Officer
Mrs. Lisa Cook, Human Resources Director
Dr. Danny Mendez, Director of Secondary Education
Mrs. Stephanie Hofer, Director of Elementary Education
Dr. Chris Duzenbery, Dir. of College and Career Readiness
Mr. Jeff McMahon, Chief Information Officer

PUBLIC HEARING

1. PUBLIC HEARING

- 0.01 Mrs. Collins opened the Public Hearing for the Capital Projects Fund and Bus Replacement Plan at 7:07 p.m.
- 0.02 Mr. Farmer explained the Capital Projects Fund and Bus Replacement Plan.
- 0.03 The public was asked for any feedback regarding the Plans. There were no questions or comments.
- 0.04 Mrs. Collins closed the hearing.

REGULAR MEETING

1. OPENING ITEMS

- 1.01 Mrs. Collins, Board President, called the regular meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. All five board members were present.
- 1.02 Mrs. Collins led in the pledge of allegiance.
- 1.03 There were no patron comments.

2. DECATUR PROUD

2.01 Mrs. Watkins stated that Decatur Township was one of eight school districts to receive the PATINS AEMing for Achievement Grant. She recognized members of the AEM (Accessible Educational Materials) team for receiving the PATINS *Change Through Commitment Award*. These individuals worked to push out uPAR, Co:Writer, and Snap&Read software and accessibility options in order to provide teachers with the resources to make education as accessible as possible for all students in Decatur Township. Team members in attendance included Megan Ruder, Blue Academy Teacher, and Jason Seaver, Technology Coordinator.

3. ACTION ITEMS

3.01 Mr. Henson moved that the minutes for the July 10, 2018 executive session and regular meeting and July 24, 2018 work session be approved. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3.02 Mrs. Cook presented the staff report and addendum for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the staff report and addendum as presented. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3.03 Mr. Farmer presented claims in the total amount of \$3,158,243.39 for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion that the claims be accepted as listed. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3.04 Mr. Farmer presented a copier agreement for consideration. He stated that three firms, Braden Business Systems, Impact Networking LLC and Commonwealth Technology, submitted proposals and recommend the Board accept the lowest, most responsive proposal from Braden Business Systems in the amount of \$8,942 per month for a five-year lease agreement. Mr. Henson made a motion to approve the copier agreement with Braden Business Systems for five years as presented. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3.05 Dr. Prusiecki presented the 2018-19 Board Goals for approval. Mr. Ray made a motion to approve the Board Goals with numbering modification as discussed. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3.06 Dr. Duzenbery asked approval for disposal of textbooks that are no longer needed due to the digital transformation. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the disposal of textbooks from DCHS and DMS as presented. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3.07 Mr. Burchett presented the 2018-19 DCHS Athlete Handbook & Code of Conduct for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the handbook as presented. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- 3.08 Mr. Burchett presented the 2018-19 DMS Athlete Handbook for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the handbook as presented. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3.09 Mr. Burchett presented the 2018-19 Decatur Central Athletic Department Coaches Manual for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the manual as presented. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3.10 Mr. Burchett presented the revised Head Coach Evaluation for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the revised evaluation as presented. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. REPORTS

- 4.01 Mr. Farmer presented a financial report for the General Fund, Referendum Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Transportation Fund, and Rainy Day Fund.

5. OTHER

- 5.01 Mrs. Collins recommended the October 9, 2018 5:30 p.m. executive session and 7:00 p.m. regular meeting be rescheduled to October 2, 2018 at the same times. Mr. Taylor moved that the Tuesday, October 9, 2018, executive session and regular meeting be moved to Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at the same times. Mrs. Vandevanter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. CLOSING ITEMS

- 6.01 Dr. Prusiecki thanked everyone for attending the meeting and thanked the administrators for their roles in contributing to a successful start to the school year. He reminded everyone that the next two regularly scheduled board meetings will be held September 4, 2018 and October 2, 2018 (each a week earlier than previously scheduled). He looks forward to everyone's implementation of practices, procedures and teamwork for our students. The district currently has over 6,500 students in the buildings and that number continues to increase as we move towards the September 14th ADM count. He thanked the Board members for their support and expressed his appreciation to the central office and building administrators for their work which makes everyone Decatur Proud.

- 6.02 Mr. Henson thanked everyone for attending. He congratulated Mrs. Watkins and the AEM team for receiving the PATINS AEMing for Achievement Grant and *Change Through Commitment Award*. He thanked Dr. Prusiecki and his team for the great start of school.

Mrs. Vandevanter congratulated Mrs. Watkins and the AEM team for receiving the PATINS grant and award. She thanked Dr. Prusiecki for the successful start of school.

Mr. Ray thanked everyone for attending the meeting and offered congratulations to Mrs. Watkins. He wished DCHS and DMS good luck in all fall sports and wished the band good luck as they perform on Friday night.

Mr. Taylor thanked everyone for attending. He stated Mr. Farmer did a great job on his presentation and thanked him for providing the information. He stated that school is off to a good start.

Mrs. Collins thanked everyone for attending. She stated that 20 band members would be featured on Channel 8 at 6:00 a.m. on Friday and wished good luck to student-athletes in all sports.

6.03 Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Judith Collins, President

Mr. Larry Taylor, Vice President

Mr. Jimmy Ray, Secretary

Mrs. Estella Vandeventer, Member

Mr. Dale Henson, Member