

**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 at 7:07 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices of the School Corporation, 5275 Kentucky Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana on October 2, 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

REGULAR MEETING

1. OPENING ITEMS

- 1.01 Mrs. Collins, Board President, called the regular meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. All five board members were present.
- 1.02 Mrs. Collins led in the pledge of allegiance. She then asked for a moment of silence for Officer Paula Petty's granddaughter who was badly injured.
- 1.03 There were no patron comments.

2. DECATUR PROUD

- 2.01 Ashlynn Leight, DMS student, was recognized for winning the International Lions Club Peace Poster Contest at the state level. Ashlynn displayed her artwork and explained the symbolism behind it.

Mr. Bill Stinson, Sr. Director of Public Affairs for the Indianapolis Airport Authority (IAA), presented a check in the amount of \$12,000 to the Decatur Township Educational Foundation (DTEF). This is the second year the IAA has supported the DTEF with a grand total of \$22,000 in donations.

Mrs. Hofer thanked and recognized Mr. Stinson and the IAA for providing a generous contribution to the 2018-2019 Backpack/Supply Drive.

Mrs. Hofer recognized Brooklyn Enright, DCHS student, for earning the Girl Scouts of the USA Gold Award. For her service project, Brooklyn built a "Booking Back Library" located at the front of West Newton Elementary.

3. ACTION ITEMS

- 3.01 Mr. Ray moved that the minutes for the September 4, 2018 executive session and regular meeting be approved. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0-1, with Mr. Henson abstaining.
- 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. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3.03 Mr. Farmer presented claims in the total amount of \$4,631,829.41 for approval. Mr. Henson made a motion that the claims be accepted as listed. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3.04 Mr. Farmer recommended approval of the Resolution for Appropriations and Tax Rates. Mr. Henson made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3.05 Mr. Farmer presented the 2019 Budget (Line 2) Resolution for Board consideration. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Resolution as recommended. Mrs. Vandevanter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3.06 Mr. Farmer recommended approval of a Resolution confirming Third Amendment to Leases and approving Related Matters. Mrs. Vandevanter made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. OTHER

- 4.01 Officer Chase Lyday provided a presentation on *Second Step* which is a new social-emotional learning curriculum that will be implemented in all MSD of Decatur Township schools. This is made possible by a grant from the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation.

5. CLOSING ITEMS

- 5.01 Dr. Prusiecki congratulated Ashlynn Leight and Brooklyn Enright on their achievements and expressed his appreciation for the district's relationship with the IAA. He thanked Officer Lyday for his presentation, which will be a critical component to how we educate the whole child. He administered the Oath of Office for School Resource Officer to Donald H. Davis who is joining the Decatur Township School Police Department.
- 5.02 Mr. Henson thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He offered kudos to Ashlynn and Brooklyn. He thanked Mr. Stinson for the donation to the DTEF and stated that receiving \$22,000 from the IAA over the past two years has allowed us to give back to our teachers. He thanked the school district and his fellow board members for their support during the loss of his sister-in-law. He thanked Dr. Prusiecki and his team for their hard work.

Mrs. Vandevanter thanked everyone for attending. She congratulated Ashlynn and Brooklyn on their achievements and thanked the IAA for the continued support of the DTEF, our township, and our students.

Mr. Ray thanked everyone for staying for the duration of the meeting. He congratulated Officer Davis and thanked Officer Lyday for his great presentation. He thanked Dr. Prusiecki and his team for their good work. He congratulated Ashlynn and Brooklyn on their achievements. He wished good luck to all the sports teams getting ready to compete in the sectionals and to the band members preparing to compete in the state tournament.

Mr. Taylor thanked everyone for attending. He congratulated Ashlynn and Brooklyn on their achievements and thanked the IAA for the generous donation to the DTEF. He thanked Officer Lyday for his presentation and welcomed Officer Davis.

Mrs. Collins thanked everyone for doing a wonderful job. She looks forward to Fall Break and to the holiday at the end of the month. She recommended the Board schedule an executive session at 5:00 p.m. and work session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 29, 2018. Mr. Henson made a motion to schedule the meetings as recommended. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5.03 Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ray 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