The Metropolitan School District of Decatur Township School Board convened at 7:08 p.m. in the Decatur Township School for Excellence Community Room, 5106 S. High School Road, Indianapolis, Indiana on February 16, 2021.

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

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:  
Dr. Matthew Prusiecki, Superintendent  
Mr. Tony Burchett, Assistant Superintendent  
Mr. Kirk Farmer, Chief Financial Officer  
Mrs. Stephanie Hofer, Assistant Superintendent  
Mr. Chris Gearlds, Director of Human Resources

REGULAR MEETING

1. OPENING ITEMS
1.01 Mrs. Vandeventer, Board President, called the regular meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. All five board members were present.

1.02 Mrs. Vandeventer led in the pledge of allegiance.

1.03 There were no patron comments.

2. ACTION ITEMS
2.01 Mr. Taylor moved that the minutes for the January 12, 2021 reorganization/regular meeting and Board of Finance meeting and the January 12 and 19, 2021 executive sessions be approved. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2.02 Mr. Gearlds presented the staff report and addendum for approval. Mr. Henson made a motion to approve the staff report and addendum as presented. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0-1, with Mr. Ray abstaining.

2.03 Mr. Farmer presented claims in the amount of $4,445,115.83 and payrolls in the amount of $3,289,306.19 for approval. Mr. Henson made a motion that the claims and payrolls be accepted as listed. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2.04 Mr. Farmer asked Board authorization to write off outstanding checks more than two years old. Mr. Taylor made a motion to authorize writing off the checks as listed. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2.05 Mr. Farmer asked Board approval of a Resolution authorizing the permanent transfer of up to $500,000.00 from the Education and Operation Funds (during the 2021 budget year) to reimburse the Rainy Day Fund for capital expenditures previously made. Mr. Ray made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. REPORT
3.01 Mr. Farmer presented a financial report for the Education Fund, Referendum Fund, Operations Fund, and Rainy Day Fund.

4. OTHER
4.01 No items.

5. CLOSING ITEMS
5.01 Dr. Prusiecki stated our COVID cases are dropping and our goal will be to get our students back in school as safely as possible, but we will continue to improve what we are currently doing both in the classroom and remotely until our students return to in person learning. He congratulated Mr. Tony Burchett and Dr. Chris Duzenbery on their upcoming retirements and acknowledged their achievements during their time in Decatur Township. He thanked the Board members for their support. There are a lot of activities coming up in the spring and he hopes to have a graduation ceremony at the Convention Center this year as well as a prom. We want to provide the best service possible and the best experience that each of our students deserve.

5.02 Mr. Ray congratulated Mr. Burchett and Dr. Duzenbery on their retirements and stated they will be missed. He said that Decatur Township lost Mr. Dave Rather and asked that everyone keep his family in their prayers.

Mr. Taylor wished Mr. Burchett the best in his retirement. He expressed condolences for the loss of Mr. Rather.

Mrs. Collins offered congratulations to Mr. Burchett and Dr. Duzenbery. She thanked everyone in attendance for all the work they do.

Mr. Henson thanked everyone for attending. He congratulated Mr. Burchett on his well-deserved retirement and wished him well. He congratulated Dr. Duzenbery on her retirement after 31 years serving Decatur Township. He offered congratulations to Dr. Prusiecki on his daughter’s 2nd place finish at the IHSAA diving state tournament. Dave Rather has done a lot for our school district, was “Blue and Gold” all the time, and was a personal friend. We worked together to change the culture of the relationship between the fire department and the school district, which continues to be strong today. He thanked everyone for the work they do.

Mrs. Vandeventer congratulated Mr. Burchett and Dr. Duzenbery and stated it was a pleasure getting to know them and working with them. She expressed her condolences to the Rather family. She thanked Dr. Prusiecki and his team for the work they do.
5.03 Mr. Henson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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