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 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices of the School Corporation, 5275 Kentucky Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana on July 14, 2026.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Mr. Chase Lyday

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
Dr. Scott Collins, Superintendent
Mr. Chris Gearlds, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Greg Foster, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Justin Dixson, Director of Operations
Dr. Matthew McClendon, Director of Human Resources

REGULAR MEETING

1. OPENING ITEMS

1.01 Mr. Henson, Board President, called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Four board members were present.

1.02 Mr. Henson led in the pledge of allegiance.

1.03 There were no patron comments.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS

2.01 Mr. Henson opened the Public Hearing for Consolidated Public Hearing - Amendment to Lease / Additional Appropriation 2026-2030 First Mortgage Bonds. Proceeded at 7:03 p.m. Mr. Foster presented information about the consolidated public hearing for the amendment to the lease and additional appropriations for the 2026-2030 First Mortgage Bonds. The public was asked for any feedback and there were no questions or comments. Mr. Henson closed the hearing.

2.02 Mr. Henson opened the Public Hearing Regarding additional appropriations 2026-2030 General Obligation Bonds at 7:08 p.m. Mr. Foster presented information about the additional appropriations of the 2026-2030 General Obligation Bonds. The public was asked for any feedback and there were no questions or comments. Mr. Henson closed the hearing.

3. ACTION ITEMS

3.01 Mr. Henson moved that the minutes for the June 9, 2026 regular meeting and executive session be approved. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.02 Dr. McClendon 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, 4-0.

3.03 Mr. Foster presented claims in the amount of $13,932,160.88 and payrolls in the amount of $4,060,529.62 for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion that the claims and payrolls be accepted as listed. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.04 Mr. Gearlds & Mr. Dixson recommended approval of the approval of 2026-27 Certified Non-Teaching Handbook, New Teacher Handbook, Educational Support Personnel Handbook, Decatur Administration Handbook, Elementary Student Handbook, Middle School Student Handbook, & High School Student and Transportation Handbook. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.05 Mr. Dixson recommended approval of the Approval of 2026-27 Athletic Handbooks: Student-Athlete Handbook, Parent-Guardian Handbook, & Coaches Handbook. Mrs. Vandeventer made a motion to approve the Resolutions as presented. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.06 Mr. Dixson asked approval of the Annual EAP & SOP for all athletic event venues with updates. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Annual EAP & SOP for all athletic event venues with updates as presented. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0

3.07 Dr. Collins asked approval of the Board Resolution for Small Claim Court. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Board Resolution for Small Claims Court. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.08 Dr. Collins asked for the Appointment of Greg A. Foster as District representative for the Hoosier School Benefit Trustees. Mrs. Vandeventer made a motion to approve the Appointment of Greg A. Foster as District representative for the Hoosier School Benefit Trustees. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.09 Mr. Foster asked for approval of the Resolution of the School Board Confirming the Sixth Amendment to Lease and Approving the Issuance of the Bonds and Related Matters. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Resolution of the School Board confirming the Sixth Amendment to Lease and Approving the Issuance of the Bonds and Related Matters. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.10 Mr. Foster asked for approval of the Resolution of the School Board Approving the Additional Appropriation of the First Mortgage Bond Proceeds and Interest Earnings and Related Matters. Mrs. Vandeventer made a motion to approve the Resolution of the School Board Approving the Additional Appropriation of the First Mortgage Bond Proceeds and Interest Earnings and Related Matters. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.11 Mr. Foster asked for approval of the Resolution of the School Board Approving the issuance of the General Obligation Bond Proceeds and Related Matters. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Resolution of the School Board Approving the issuance of the General Obligation Bond Proceeds and Related Matters. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.12 Mr. Foster asked for approval of the Resolution of the School Board Approving the Additional Appropriation of the General Obligation Bond Proceeds and Interest Earnings and Related Matters. Mrs. Vandeventer made a motion to approve the Resolution of the School Board Approving the Additional Appropriation of the General Obligation Bond Proceeds and Interest Earnings and Related Matters. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.13 Mr. Foster asked for approval of the Supplemental Homestead Credit Reallocation. Mrs. Vandeventer made a motion to approve the Supplemental Homestead Credit Reallocation. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

3.14 Mr. Foster asked for approval of Main Campus Mill/Resurface Project. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve of the Main Campus Mill/Resurface Project. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

4. REPORT

4.01 Mr. Foster presented a financial report for the Education Fund, Referendum Fund, Debt Service Fund, Operations Fund, and Rainy-Day Fund.

5. OTHER

5.01 No items.

6. CLOSING ITEMS

6.01 Dr. Collins in-person registration, July 16th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and then 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. New Teacher Orientation on Friday, July 31st then on Monday, August 3rd, Back to School Event, starts at 8 a.m. in the High School Auditorium and then our first student day is Wednesday, August 5th. We are looking forward to the 2026-27 School Year.

6.02 Mrs. Vandeventer thanked the team for all of their work in the coming weeks to get us prepared for another awesome school year.

Mr. Taylor thanked everyone for attending and hoped they have a good rest of their summer.

Mrs. Collins thanked everyone for attending and hoped everyone is enjoying their summer. Cannot wait to see everyone at the beginning of the year.

Mr. Henson thanked Emily LeMay for her leadership in the backpack program as the group of 50+ filled 1,700 backpacks in one hour. At the end of May, the annual DTEF Golf Outing took place and they raised $23,410 for the foundation.

6.03 Mrs. Vandeventer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried, 4-0.

Mr. Dale Henson, President

Mr. Chase Lyday, Vice President

Mrs. Judith Collins, Secretary

Mr. Larry Taylor, Member

Mrs. Estella Vandeventer, Member