

October 18, 2023

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
DECATUR COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, October 18 2023 at Central Office, 2020 N. Montgomery Rd., Greensburg, IN 47240.

Board President Joyce Geis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Todd Mauer and Lizette Bell were absent.

Under routine matters, on a motion made by Tim Roscoe and a second by Matthew Hoeing, minutes of the board meeting held September 13, 2023, and the Executive Session held September 20, 2023 were unanimously approved.

Payment of claims and payroll were ordered on a motion made by Tim Roscoe, a second by Stephen AmRhein and passed unanimously.

On a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Cory Ross, the following conferences and field trips were unanimously approved.

CONFERENCES

South Decatur Elementary School

Nicole Stone – Innovative School Summit
San Antonio, TX – December 1 & 4, 2023

FIELD TRIPS

South Decatur Elementary School

5th Grade – Flatrock YMCA Camp
April 22 – 23, 2024

On a motion made by Stephen AmRhein and a second by Matthew Hoeing, the following resignations and retirements were unanimously approved.

RESIGNATIONS

North Decatur Elementary School

Kim Williams – Custodian
September 27, 2023

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Kristen Ross – Social Studies/Computer Sciences Teacher
October 25, 2023

Felicia Harrison – English Teacher
October 13, 2023

South Decatur Elementary School

Rebecca Gauck – 6th Grade Teacher
October 31, 2023

RETIREMENTS

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Bob Schwering – Custodian
October 6, 2023

On a motion made by Cory Ross and a second by Matthew Hoeing, the following appointments and terminations were unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS

North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Elizabeth McAllister – Part-time Custodian

Michelle Russell – Homebound Instruction
Expelled Student 2hr/wk
ISP Student 45 min./wk

North Decatur Elementary School

Chris Hampton – Custodian

Diana Apostolakos – Moving back to Instructional Assistant
From Long-term Substitute

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Dwayne Williams – Jr. Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach

Matt Cornett – Jr. Varsity Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach

Jerone Wood – 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach

Mikey Green – Volunteer Varsity Girls' Basketball

John Scruggs – Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach

TERMINATIONS

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Glenda Barnes – Custodian

Under new business, Mr. Stewart Durham, Principal of South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School, presented the Extra Effort Award to Diana Apostolakos for stepping in as long-term substitute for Spanish. She has exceeded expectations in the position taking the students on various field trips and introducing them to authentic Spanish culture. Mr. Durham also presented the Extra Effort Award to Cambria Jones, calling her a rock-star in and out of the classroom, noting her helpfulness and fun energy she brings to the classroom. Mrs. Nicole Stone, Principal of South Decatur Elementary School presented the Extra Effort Award to Peyton Ewing noting her positive attitude, new ideas, and her willingness to go above and beyond. Mrs. Stone also presented Pam Emly with the Extra

Effort Award for her enthusiastic approach to everything, always going the extra mile, and for making everyone she works with a better person and educator.

Dr. S. Jarrod Burns, Superintendent of Decatur County Community Schools, asked the Board was asked to approve the 2023-2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement. On a motion made by Tim Roscoe and a second by Stephen AmRhein, the 2023-2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement was unanimously approved. Dr. Burns thanked the committee that worked so hard on the agreement for their hard work.

Dr. Burns asked the board to approve a 4% salary increase for Classified and Administrative employees. On a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Cory Ross, the Classified and Administrative salary increase was unanimously approved.

On a motion made by Stephen AmRhein and a second by Cory Ross, a one-time supplemental payment added to the base salary for the 2023-2024 School Year for the following employees: Jamie Bridges, Paige DeVore, Alaina Kessler, Sharon Mapes, and Molly Martin, was unanimously approved. Dr. Burns explained these were the only employees left in district that were not included in either the Collective Bargaining Agreement or the 4% salary increase for classified and administrative employees.

On a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Stephen AmRhein, student fundraisers were unanimously approved.

On a motion made by Tim Roscoe and a second by Cory Ross, the following donations were unanimously approved:

DONATIONS

<i>Donor</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Cause</i>
<i>North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School</i>		
Lil Dutch Mini Doughnuts	\$362.00	Athletics
PEO Chapter T	\$100.00	FFA

<i>South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School</i>		
RBSK Partners	\$100.00	Varsity Football
D&D Lunchbox	\$200.00	
Stacy's Tenderloin	\$200.00	
Diesel Excavating LLC	\$2,500.00	Boys' Basketball
Paco's Mexican Restaurant	\$500.00	
<i>South Decatur Elementary School</i>		
John & Krista Evans	\$250.00	Rylie Bennett Memorial
Farm Credit	\$1,000.00	
Sandcreek Township	\$2,300.00	Woods Project

The Board expressed their gratitude and made note of the generosity of those who made donations.

On a motion made by Cory Ross and a second by Matthew Hoeing, the following equipment was unanimously approved as obsolete for disposal:

OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT

<i>Safety Department Decatur County Community Schools</i>			
Model	QTY	Type	Issue/Proposal if Obsolete
TK 3180	5	Kenwood Handheld Radios	Out of Date
TK 3402	6		
TK 3200	7		
TK 3173	40		
TK 3220	2		
TK 3170	6		
NX 300	14		
TK 8180-K	27	Kenwood Bus Radios	To sell or donate to local fire departments or EMA
TK 8360-HU-K	1		
NX 820 HG-K	1		
NX 800	2		
NX 3820HGK	1		
KSC 32	19	Kenwood Handheld Radio Battery Chargers	
KSC 31	2		
KSC 35S	11		
KSC 25	25		
KSC 25LS	8		

KSC 30	2		
KNB54N	2	Kenwood Handheld Radio Batteries	

Under Communications or Reports, Mr. Stewart Durham, Principal of South Decatur Jr./Sr. High School, reported on the band and choir concert, country music festival, PSAT testing, and various field trips. Mr. Jacob Rader, Assistant Principal at South Decatur Elementary School, reported on an increase in enrollment, parent-teacher conferences, Red Ribbon Week, the Veteran’s Program, and Family Fun Night.

The next regular Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Central Office, 2020 N. Montgomery Rd., Greensburg, IN 47240.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. on a motion by Stephen AmRhein.

Matthew Hoeing, Secretary
Board of School Trustees
Decatur County Community Schools

APPROVED BY:

