

December 11, 2024

**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, December 11, 2024 at Central Office, 2020 N. Montgomery Rd., Greensburg, IN 47240.

President Todd Mauer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., all members were present.

Under routine matters, on a motion made by Joyce Geis and a second by Cory Ross, minutes of the regular meeting held November 13, 2024 were unanimously approved.

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

On a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Joyce Geis, the following field trips were unanimously approved.

FIELD TRIPS

North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Boys Basketball – Basketball Tournament
January 2-3, 2025

On a motion made by Cory Ross and a second by Lizette Bell, the following resignations and retirements were unanimously approved.

RESIGNATIONS

Decatur County Community Schools

Robert Ewing – Bus Driver
December 21, 2024

North Decatur Elementary School

Holly Pellman – Custodian
December 10, 2024

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Jamie Bridges – Guidance Counselor
January 6, 2025

RETIREMENTS

North Decatur Elementary School

Nancy Mankin – Custodian
December 9, 2024

South Decatur Elementary School

Laura Johnson – 2nd Grade Teacher
May 23, 2025

Karen Meeker – Music Teacher
May 23, 2025

On a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Joyce Geis, the following appointments were unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS

North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Molli Hurley – Instructional Assistant
November 25, 2024

Tracy Smith – Bookkeeper
December 12, 2024

North Decatur Elementary School

Stephanie Mankin – Custodian
December 16, 2024

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Teara May – Instructional Assistant
December 16, 2024

Zachary Marshall – Custodian
January 2, 2025

South Decatur Elementary School

Erin McGlaughlin – Custodian
December 12, 2024

LeAnne Nobbe – 3rd Grade Teacher
Covering Medical Leave – January – March 2025

Under New Business, Jeremey Sherman, Assistant Principal of North Decatur Elementary School, presented Ruth Canfield with the Extra Effort Award. Mr. Sherman explains that Mrs. Canfield always has a positive attitude and goes above and beyond what is asked of her, offering support well beyond her position. Steward Durham, Assistant Principal of North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School, presented Nyoke Nobbe with the Extra Effort Award. Mr. Durham describes Mrs. Nobbe as a rockstar, who goes above and beyond in her job duties, taking on extra responsibilities like the newsletter and website updates, as well as helping the students excel in all of their activities.

Jerome McKibben PhD., from McKibben Demographic Research, LLC gave a brief presentation on a demographic study he performed. The corporation will use the study to project what enrollment will look like for the 2025-2026 school years

On a motion made by Stephen AmRhein and a second by Matthew Hoeing, the 2024-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement was unanimously approved.

On a motion made by Lizette Bell and a second by Joyce Geis, student fundraisers were unanimously approved.

Under new business Nicole Stone, Principal of South Decatur Elementary School, presented Sherry Grimes with the Extra Effort Award. Mrs. Stone emphasized Mrs. Grime's loyalty, heart for helping kids, willingness to go above and beyond and help all students and staff alike. Eric Foga, Assistant Principal of South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School, presented Joe Lee, Stacey Sundal, Rebecca Malone, and Whitey Gearhart the Extra Effort Award designating this group of Instructional Assistants unsung heroes of the building, who fill in everywhere as they are needed, working with students with the biggest obstacles, and doing it all with good attitudes and smiles.

Dr. Jarrod Burns, Superintendent, asked the Board to approve the Consideration of nonrenewal of administrative contract, explaining there was not anyone specific, but that it would just give him the ability to not renew a contract of an administrator if deemed necessary. On a motion made by Joyce Geis and a second by Lizette Bell the nonrenewal of administrative contract was unanimously approved.

Melissa Leap, Business Manager, asked the board to approve several year end financial matters. On a motion by Stephen AmRhein and a Second by Cory Ross, the end of year financial matters were approved, to include: permission to transfer appropriations for year end balancing; permission to transfer 2024 professional services & building construction plans & appropriations of operations funds to operations fund 2025; permission to transfer the technology portion (connectivity, equipment, content) of operations funds to operations fund 2025; permission to pay pre-written claims through the end of the year.

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

On a motion made by Joyce Geis and a second by Lizette Bell, the following donations were unanimously approved.

DONATIONS

<i>Donor</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Cause</i>
<i>North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School</i>		
Knights of St. John	\$1,332.90	SPED Department
Thackery & Sons Hay & Straw Inc	\$500.00	Football
Heritage Industrial Contracting	\$2,000.00	
First Federal Savings and Loan	\$3,920.00	Athletics Department
Johnson Farm Co.	\$250.00	Girls Basketball
Kaywin & Ann Lindsay	\$50.00	
Blackhawk Precision Ag Technologies	\$550.00	
Jerry & Linda Amberger	\$22.00	
<i>North Decatur Elementary School</i>		
Knights of St. John	\$1,332.90	SPED Department
Alpha Omega Sorority	\$110.00	Student Lunch Balance
Truitt & Brianna Daeger	\$500.00	Stop the Bleed Kits
<i>South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School</i>		
Knights of St. John	\$888.60	SPED Department
Bankin Baby BBQ	\$60.00	Boys Basketball
Greensburg Power of the Past	\$800.00	FFA
<i>South Decatur Elementary School</i>		
Knights of St. John	\$1,332.90	SPED Department

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

On a motion made by Stephen AmRhein and a second by Tim Roscoe, 100 iPad 7s, which were no longer usable/compatible were unanimously approved as obsolete for disposal.

Under communication and reports, Mrs. Stone reported on the all school Thanksgiving Meal, Joyce Fogle receiving the Rise Award, upcoming Christmas concerts and programs, girls STEM night, the book fair, Title I Family Fun Night, 2nd I Learn checkpoints, Santa coming to visit students, December dress up days, and holidays around the world. Mr. Foga reported on the National Honor Society, peer helpers and SAAD club wrapped Christmas presents, PCC and JAC job interviews, fields trips, Lily Scholarship winner Makayla Summers, band and choir holiday concerts, and dress up days.

Under Future Business, the Annual Reorganizational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at Central Office. The Annual Reorganizational Meeting will be held immediately following the Reorganizational Meeting at Central Office. The Regular Board Meeting will be held immediately following the Board of Finance e Meeting at Central Office; 2020 N. Montgomery Road, Greensburg, IN 47240.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m. on a motion by Tim Roscoe and a second by Stephen AmRhein.

Lizette Bell, Secretary
Board of School Trustees
Decatur County Community Schools

APPROVED BY:

