

January 12, 2022

**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, January 12, 2022 at South Decatur Jr/Sr High School, 8885 South State Road 3, Greensburg, IN 47240

Board President Joyce Geis called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

All members were present with Lizette Bell attending via Zoom.

Under routine matters, upon a motion made by Stephen AmRhein and a second by Todd Mauer minutes of meetings held December 8, 2021 were unanimously approved.

Payment of claims and payroll were ordered on a motion made by Matthew Hoeing a second by Nicholas Messer and passed unanimously.

On a motion by Chris Owens and a second by Todd Mauer, the following resignations were unanimously approved.

Resignation

Amy Poling – Bookkeeper – December 31, 2021

Mike Dowell – Medical Leave for Rick Zimmerman

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

Appointments

Brittany Roell – South Decatur Elementary – Nurse

Nickolas Heath – North Decatur – Custodian

Valerie Stephen – North Decatur High School – Medical Leave for Breanna Morris

Tyler Johnson – South Decatur High School – Medical Leave for Richard Zimmerman

Pam Emly – South Decatur Elementary – ESSER Reading Interventionist

Athletics
North Decatur

Destiny Brown – JH Boys Track
Jennifer Stille – Assistant Varsity Track
Mitch Sefton – JR Baseball
Brittany Foster – JH Softball

There were no agenda topics or written requests.

There was no old business.

Under new business, the extra effort award was presented to Tiffany Wall, Leann Porter and Kathy Taylor.

Board Attorney Doug Wilson explained the reasoning for the hearing on proposed building projects. He explained there will be a time for public comments after the presentation.

Dr. Burns briefly explained the proposed building projects for North Decatur Jr/Sr High School and South Decatur Jr/Sr High School.

Jeff Hammond with Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors gave a brief presentation regarding the bond issue and reimbursement period for the proposed projects.

Mr. Wilson opened the hearing for public comments. There being no public comments, Mr. Wilson closed the hearing.

Mr. Wilson requested approval to adopt the North Decatur Jr/Sr High project resolution. On a motion by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Todd Mauer, the resolution was unanimously approved.

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Mr. Wilson requested approval to adopt the resolution determining need for projects. On a motion by Todd Mauer and a second by Stephen AmRhein, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Mr. Wilson requested approval to adopt the resolution approving preliminary plans, form of Amendment to Lease and ratifying publication of notice of hearing on Amendment to Lease. On a motion Chris Owens and a second by Matthew Hoeing, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Mr. Wilson requested approval to adopt the resolution reapproving formation of Building Corporation. On a motion by Todd Mauer and a second by Nicholas Messer, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Mr. Wilson requested approval to adopt the reimbursement resolution. On a motion by Stephen AmRhein and a second by Joyce Gies, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Mr. Wilson requested approval to adopt a resolution authorizing refunding of 2011D bonds. On a motion by Todd Mauer and a second by Matthew Hoeing, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Acceptance of Board Member Disclosure Statements for Lizette Bell and Matthew Hoeing were approved by a vote of 5-0 on a motion by Todd Mauer and a second by Chris Owens. Mrs. Bell and Mr. Hoeing abstained.

Dr. Burns requested approval to purchase two school buses. On a motion by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Nicholas Messer, the purchase of the buses was unanimously approved.

Donations to North Decatur Elementary of a \$250 gift card from Alpha Beta Chapter/AOA Sorority for purchase of clothing for the clinic and \$36.00 from Springhill Presbyterian Church for the milk fund were unanimously accepted on a motion by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Todd Mauer.

Student fundraisers were unanimously approved on a motion by Todd Mauer and a second by Stephen AmRhein.

South Decatur Elementary vice principal Jacob Rader reported on the successful completion of the first semester including Cougar Cares, NWEA assessment/data meetings, boys basketball, elementary night at the varsity game, robotics team, tech team, SRO safety talks and 4H junior leaders.

South Decatur High school principal Jim Jameson reported that six students were AP national rural small town award winners, graduation rate for 2021 was at 100%, thanked everyone for coming together to help make the BioMed lab a reality, 179 students taking at least 1 dual credit class and the FFA collected 300 canned goods for the food drive.

The next regular Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Central Office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Todd Mauer and a second by Matthew Hoeing at 6:49 p.m.

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

APPROVED BY:
