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, May 14, 2025 at a Central Office, 2020 N. Montgomery Rd., Greensburg, IN 47240.

President Todd Mauer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Under routine matters, on a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Alison Ortman, Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held April 9th, 2025 were unanimously approved.

Payment of Claims and Payroll were ordered on a motion made by Lizette Bell with a second by Cory Ross and passed unanimously.

On a motion made by Elizabeth Hochstedler and a second by Nicholas Anderson, the following Field Trips were unanimously approved.

FIELD TRIPS

North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

FFA – Top 10 – Kings Island Mason, OH – May 28, 2025

FFA – Indiana State Convention Purdue University – June 17-19, 2025

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Band – Kings Island Mason, OH – May 17, 2025

On a motion made by Alison Ortman and a second by Cory Ross, the following Resignations, Retirements, and Leave were unanimously approved.

RESIGNATIONS

North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Allison Hunnicutt – PLTW & Psychology Teacher May 23, 2025

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Katelyn Billigsley – Guidance Secretary June 2, 2025

Abbey (Knowlton) Menchhofer – AG Teacher June 30, 2025

RETIREMENTS

North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Lora Hitchell-Krammes – SPED Instructional Assistant June 1, 2025

LEAVE

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Ashleigh Shouse – SPED Teacher Medical Leave September 2025 – January 2026

On a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Lizette Bell, the following Appointments and Terminations were unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS

South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Clair Coons – Guidance Secretary August 1, 2025

South Decatur Elementary School

Summer School Teachers Angel Skelton, Jennifer Chastain, Alyssa Scaggs, Jesse Haley, Kim Sherman and Emma Morrison

North Decatur Elementary School

Katelyn (Bird) Buntz – Part-time Braille Transcriber August 1, 2025

North Decatur Elementary School

John Corn – Principal August 1, 2025

Summer School Teachers Linda Smith, Sue Hadler and Sarah Schwendenman

TERMINATIONS

North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School

Taylor Bohman – Bookkeeper May 2, 2025\

> Carrie Shields – Nurse May 2, 2025

There was no Public Comment.

There was nothing under Old Business.

Under New Business, Amy Cockburn, Principal of South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School, presented the Extra Effort Award to social studies teacher Amanda Gault and special education teacher Ashleigh Shouse. Mrs. Cockburn highlighted the dedication and asset to students of these teachers. Nicole Stone, Principal of South Decatur Elementary School, presented Karen Meeker and Laura Johnson with the Extra Effort Aware. Mrs. Stone congratulated these teachers on their retirement and thanked them for all they have done for the corporation and South Decatur Elementary School.

On a motion made by Nicholas Anderson and a second by Lizette Bell, the approval of the Contract with Five-Star was unanimously approved.

On a motion made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Alison Ortman, Student Fundraisers were unanimously approved.

On a motion made by Cory Ross and a second by Elizabeth Hochstedler, the following Donations were unanimously approved.

DONATIONS

Donor	Amount	Cause		
North De	ecatur Elementary School			
Psi Iota Xi	\$250.00 \$250.00 \$250.00	Art Program Library Music Program Helping Hands Cafeteria Fund		
Anonymous	\$110.00			
South De	ecatur JrSr. High School			
Charlie & Rae Photography Anonymous TATCO, LLC Paul & Jill Wilson	\$150.00 \$1,000.00 \$250.00 \$20.00	Varsity Baseball Drama Department Baseball Softball		
South De	ecatur Elementary School			
Stone's Farm Service Stone's Auto & Truck Parts Johannigman Excavating, INC. Jed Ortman	\$250.00 \$250.00 \$250.00 \$500.00	2025-2026 Employee Appreciation Card Program		
Decatur County Community Foundation	\$1,500.00	STEM Girl's Night Out		
Letts Hardware & Equipment Hulsbosch Dairy Farm	\$25.00 \$50.00	5K Walk/Run Shirts		

On a motion made by Alison Ortman and a second by Elizabeth Hochstedler, library furniture was unanimously approved as obsolete for disposal.

Under Communication and Reports, Jacob Rader, Assistant Principal of South Decatur Elementary School reported on Grandparents Night, field trips for the month, Field Day, the talent show, and the Kindergarten Graduation Celebration. Amy Cockburn, Principal of South Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School reported on Teacher Appreciation Week, the 4x1 Boys Track Team breaking the school record, AI training, the Sixth Grade Visit, and the blood drive. Mrs. Cockburn also highlighted upcoming events, including, the senior picnic, graduation, and summer school credit recovery.

Under Future Business, the next Regular Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Central Office; 2020 N. Montgomery Road, Greensburg, IN 47240.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m. on a motion by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Alison Ortman.

Lizette Bell, Secretary

Board of School Trustees

Decatur County Community Schools

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