# 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, November 12, 2025 at 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 Cory Ross and a second by Elizabeth Hochstedler, Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held October 8, 2025 and Executive Sessions held October 8, 2025 and October 10, 2025 were unanimously approved.

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

A motion was made by Nicholas Anderson and a second by Elizabeth Hochstedler for the Field Trip listed below and was unanimously approved.

### Field Trip

SDHS 8th Grade - St. Louis, MO - Late April/Early May 2026

On a motion made by Alison Ortman and a second by Lizette Bell, the following Resignations and Leaves were unanimously approved.

#### Resignations

Natasha Bushorn - NDHS Guidance Secretary - November 14, 2025

Hannah Allen - SDES Sub Teacher/FT Teacher - November 7, 2025

On a motion made by Nicholas Anderson and a second by Matthew Hoeing, the following Appointments were unanimously approved.

## **Hirings**

LeaAnn Nobbe - SDES - Medical Leave for Connie Martin

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Perry Cook - SDES - Medical Leave for Keri Mauer

No Public Comment was given.

Under Old Business, a motion was made by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Cory Ross to approve Neola Policy Updates. The updates were unanimously approved.

Under New Business, Tim Hollendonner, Principal of North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School recognized the special education teachers for the Extra Effort Award. Mr. Hollendonner explained that these teachers have gone above and beyond with the new IEP system and with the move-in conferences they held. John Corn, Principal of North Decatur Elementary School recognized Gretchen Stone, Kristy Bumbala, Judy Meyer, Christy Nesbit, Barb Ploeger, and Paula Maupin with the Extra Effort Award. Mr. Corn credited these instructional assistants for their combined 141 years of service to Decatur County Community Schools.

With a motion from Matthew Hoeing and a second by Elizabeth Hochstedler, the 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement was unanimously approved.

Alison Ortman made a motion and Cory Ross seconded the motion to approve salary increases for classified hourly employees, corporation bus drivers, SRO's and occupational therapists. The motion was unanimously approved.

On a motion made by Nicholas Anderson and a second by Elizabeth Hochstedler, the board unanimously approved a one time supplemental payment added to the base salary for the 2025/2026 school year for Amy Gray, Kaitlin Harrell, Felicia Harrision, and Kasey Waltz.

A motion was made by Alison Ortman and seconded by Matthew Hoeing to approve Monique Burr K-12 Child Abuse Curriculum through Decatur County 4 Kids and Prevent Child Abuse Indiana. The motion was unanimously approved.

On a motion made by Elizabeth Hochstedler and a second by Nicholas Anderson, the following Donations were unanimously approved. The board thanked the donors for their donations.

### **Donations**

Donor	Amount	Cause
Sou	th Decatur Elementary School	
The Napoleon State Bank	\$250.00	Family Fun Night
Sou	th Decatur JrSr. High School	
Nobbe Farms	\$200.00	FFA
Bryan Gateway	\$300.00	Choir
Barbara Winchester	\$200.00	Band
Decatur County Farmers Mutual Insurance Company	\$200.00	FFA

A motion was made by Lizette Bell and a second by Nicholas Anderson for the following Student Fundraisers to be approved. These are unanimously approved.

#### <u>Fundraisers</u>

NDHS Boys Basketball - 50/50, Sky Shot, and Youth Calendar SDES Robotics -Parking Lot Drop Off Refreshments for Parents SDHS Junior Class - Soapy Joe's Laundry Detergent On a motion made by Cory Ross and a second by Elizabeth Hochstedler, Primex clocks from North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School were unanimously approved as obsolete for disposal.

Under Communications and Reports, Jeremy Sherman, Assistant Principal of North
Decatur Elementary School reported on ILEARN Checkpoints, National Honor Society, Honor
Roll, Preschool, and archery. John Corn, Principal of North Decatur Elementary School reported
on Rob Smith Drive, the Fall Festival, parade, walk-a-thon, parent teacher conferences, Ms.
Blair's Chat and Chew, the food drive, and 4th Grade Business Day. Tim Hollendonner,
Principal of North Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School reported on teacher grants, the FFA National
Conference, National Finalist for Animal Science, the craft show, Veterans Day Program, and the
success of the Fall Sports, which included four conference championships.

Under Future Business, the next Regular Board Meeting will be on Wednesday,

December 10, 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 6:24 p.m. on a motion by Matthew Hoeing and a second by Cory Ross.

Lizette Bell, Secretary

Board of School Trustees

**Decatur County Community Schools** 

APPROVED BY: