## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF NORTH WHITE SCHOOL CORPORATION

The Board of Trustees, North White School Corporation met in Regular session on Monday, March 8, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the office of the Superintendent of the North White School Corporation at 121 W. St. Rd. 16, Monon, Indiana according to Indiana Code 10-5-3-2, Public Law 57, and the rules of the Board. Board members present were Shannon Mattix, Jim Culross, Jim Annis, Ron Allen and Warren Worrell. Board members not present were Dirk Fleck and Linda Morris. Also present were Superintendent, Nicholas Eccles, Shelle Hay, Terri Diener, Curt Craig, Jeff Jones, Shellie Ruemler, Dean Cook, Karen Pfledderer, Terrie Brown, Steve Land, Terry Smith, Scott Allen, Mark Woodcock, Stephen "Chopper" Van Voorst, Hannah Conn, Josie Conn, Jamie Nelson, Rodney Conn, James Culross, James White, Devin Scott, Sheila Scott, Hannah Scott, Nichole Hunt, Charles Scott, Jr., Brian Pogue, Julie Bossung, Jill Scott, Jessie Scott, Karen Burcham, Laura Burcham, Pam Hollingsworth, Rachel Cote, Victor Kiktenko, Robby Hatter, Evan Hatter, Todd Shriver, Debra Newlin, Chad Newlin, Hannah Newlin, Loradeen Clarkson, Jack Clarkson, Denny Buschman.

- 1. Mr. Mattix called the regular meeting to order.
  - A. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.
  - B. Mr. Mattix recognized a Quorum.
  - C. Mr. Mattix asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting on February 8, 2010 and the executive session on February 16, 2010. Mr. Allen made a motion to approve these minutes. Mr. Annis seconded and the motion carried 5-0.
  - D. Claims and payrolls were presented to the board and discussed. Mrs. Ruemler gave the board a summary of several claims.
    - Mr. Culross moved to pay claims 11110753 through and including 11110885 Mr. Mattix seconded and the motion carried 5-0.
- 2. Mrs. Hay started off "Students of the Month" for Buffalo Elementary by introducing Hannah Newlin who is in the fourth grade. Hannah was in attendance with her parents, Debra and Chad Newlin. Mrs. Housinger, Hannah's teacher, nominated her for this award.
  - Mrs. Hay announced Seleste Garcia who is in the second grade at Reynolds Elementary. Seleste is the daughter of Amanda Garcia. Mrs. Titus, Seleste's teacher, nominated her for this award.

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Mrs. Diener introduced Devin Scott who is in the fifth grade at Monon Elementary. Devin was in attendance with his parents, Sheila and Charles Scott, Jr. and his sister's, Hannah and Nichole. Mrs. Stein, Devin's teacher, nominated him for this award.

Mr. Craig introduced Laura Burcham as Student of the Month at North White Middle School. Laura is in the eighth grade. Laura was in attendance with her mother, Karen Burcham. Mrs. McKaig, Laura's teacher, nominated her for this award.

Mr. Eccles introduced Josie Conn as the Herald Journal Student of the Month at North White Middle School. Josie is in the seventh grade. Josie was in attendance with her parents, Rodney Conn and Jamie Nelson and her sister, Hannah.

Mr. Jones introduced Victor Kiktenko who is the Student of the Month at North White High School. Victor is an exchange student visiting from Russia and is staying with his host family, Mr. and Mrs. Cote. Victor has been involved in a variety of Athletic and Academic activities this year.

- 3. Mr. Mattix asked if there were any patrons in attendance who wished to be heard. Hearing none, the meeting proceeded.
- 4. Old Business None
- 5. New Business
  - A. Mr. Mattix asked for emergency additions to the agenda. Mr. Worrell asked the Board to add (under personnel) discussion on the contract extension with no pay increase for Superintendent, Nicholas Eccles.
  - B. Mr. Cook, transportation/building and grounds director, informed the Board that the heat exchangers on the boilers at the high school have been replaced by the factory. The factory agreed to pay for the labor and the parts.
  - C. Personnel

Mr. Mattix recommended that the Board approve the following: The **resignation** of Scott McAninch as German teacher at North White High School effective, at the end of the 2009-2010 school year;

resignation of Daniel Broadbent as band and music teacher at North White High/Middle School, effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year; resignation Joyce Rodin cafeteria personnel at the middle/high school effective, February 19, 2010; resignation of Mark Woodcock from the elementary assistant football coach and all 2010-2011 coaching duties effective, March 2, 2010; resignation of Tyler Schuller as varsity boy's basketball coach effective immediately; recommendation to hire Willcina Tiede for a part time (2.5 hr/day) MS/HS cafeteria position. (Begin with a 90 day probation period); Retirements of the following individuals effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year: Warren Delion – HS English teacher, Gerald Gloster -HS/MS Media Specialist, Jane Hood - second grade teacher at Buffalo Elementary, Susan Marquez – HS Spanish teacher, Ingrid Miller – HS Health Occupations teacher, Cindy Pilotte - MS English teacher, Sondra Rock - second grade teacher at Reynolds Elementary, Dick Stimmel - HS Industrial Technology teacher, Beth Stein - MS Technology teacher. See "Exhibit A" for Retirements.

Mr. Annis moved to accept all of the Personnel items as presented. Mr. Culross seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Smith, Board Attorney, mentioned that the motion on the floor to accept all of the Personnel items as presented needs to have a separate motion for the hiring of Personnel.

Mr. Annis moved to accept the hiring of Willcina Tiede for the part time (2.5 hr/day) position in the MS/HS cafeteria, to begin with a 90 day probation period. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held by the five board members present, on the contract extension with no pay increase for Superintendent, Nicholas Eccles. The Board voted to extend Mr. Eccles' contract for another two years, through 2014.

Mr. Allen moved to extend Mr. Eccles' contract through 2014. Mr. Worrell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

## D. Other

Mr. Mattix presented a field trip request from Kent Kiester, high school Physics teacher, requesting permission to take the Varsity Academic Quiz Bowl Team to the Quiz Bowl National Tournament in Chicago, IL on Page 4
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Friday, May 28, 2010 through Sunday, May 30, 2010. They will leave at approximately 8:30 p.m. on Friday, May 28, 2010 and will return at approximately 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 30, 2010.

Mr. Mattix moved to approve this field trip request. Mr. Annis seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Mattix recommended that the Board reappoint Glenda Simmons to serve a four year term as secretary of the Monon Township Public Library Board. See "Exhibit B".

Mr. Worrell moved to accept this recommendation. Mr. Annis seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Mattix asked the Board for permission to advertise for additional appropriations for the use of the Rainy Day Fund for teacher buy-out funds.

Mr. Allen moved to approve this request. Mr. Annis seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

- 6. Guests of the board None
  - A. For second hearing of patrons, Mr. Mattix asked if there were any patrons in attendance who wished to be heard.

Patron Evan Hatter asked the Board to explain why you are not allowed to ask about Personnel issues. Mr. Mattix explained by law Personnel issues cannot be discussed during open board meetings.

- 7. Superintendent and School Board Member Comments
  - A. Mr. Eccles reminded the Board on the ISBA 2010 Spring Region Meeting to be held at The Trails in Lafayette, IN on Thursday, March 18, 2010
  - B. Mr. Eccles recognized the students who won the Tippecanoe Valley Quiz Bowl All-Conference Teams: JV Division – Wade Rogers – First Team All-Conference, Player of the Year (top scorer), Varsity Division – Jason Triplett – First Team All-Conference; Justin Rodin – Second Team All-Conference; Allyson Culross – Second Team All-Conference.

- D. Mr. Eccles reminded the Board that the April 12, 2010, Regular School Board Meeting will be held at the Buffalo Elementary School.
- E. Mr. Mattix spoke about the bank fees that North White School Corporation is being charged for doing business with Lafayette Bank & Trust, Alliance Bank and Wells Fargo Bank. Mr. Eccles informed the Board that the bank fees are being looked into. He will be meeting with a representative from Wells Fargo on Wednesday, March 10. He will have more information at the April 12, school board meeting.
- F. Mr. Eccles read from the NEOLA Handbook, school-sponsored activities are cancelled whenever school is closed. At the building level, if conditions improve later in the day, the principal will be responsible for recommending to the Superintendent which, if any, school-sponsored activities may take place. The determination is to be made using the following criteria. See "Exhibit C".

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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