

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DECATUR TOWNSHIP
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA**

The Metropolitan School District of Decatur Township School Board convened at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices of the School Corporation, 5275 Kentucky Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana on February 9, 2022.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Dale Henson
Mrs. Judith Collins
Mr. Larry Taylor
Mr. Jimmy Ray
Mrs. Estella Vandeventer

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Matthew Prusiecki, Superintendent
Dr. Stephanie Hofer, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Kirk Farmer, Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Kenneth Folks, Director of Operations
Mr. Michael Nehring, Director of Human Resources

REGULAR MEETING

1. OPENING ITEMS

- 1.01 Mr. Henson, Board President, called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All five board members were present.
- 1.02 Mr. Henson led in the pledge of allegiance.
- 1.03 There were no patron comments.

2. ACTION ITEMS

- 2.01 Mrs. Vandeventer moved that the minutes for the January 11, 2022 reorganization/regular meeting, executive session, and Board of Finance meeting be approved. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2.02 Mr. Nehring presented the staff report and addendum for approval. Mrs. Collins made a motion to approve the staff report and addendum as presented. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2.03 Mr. Farmer presented claims in the amount of \$3,393,306.39 and payrolls in the amount of \$3,455,623.26 for approval. Mr. Ray made a motion that the claims and payrolls be accepted as listed. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2.04 Mr. Farmer asked Board authorization to write off outstanding checks more than two years old. Mr. Ray made a motion to authorize writing off checks as listed. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2.05 Mr. Farmer recommended the Board accept the base bids of \$4,549,855 as well as alternate bids #1, #2, #5 and #6 for the Career Pathway Building. Mr. Taylor made a motion that the bids for the Career Pathway Building be accepted as presented with additional details being discussed during the April 6, 2022 work session. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2.06 Dr. Prusiecki presented the 2022 Board Goals for approval. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Board Goals as presented. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried, unanimously.

2.07 Dr. Prusiecki presented the 2023-24 school calendar for Board consideration. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the 2023-24 school calendar as presented. Mrs. Vandeventer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. REPORT

3.01 Mr. Farmer presented a financial report for the Education Fund, Referendum Fund, Operations Fund, and Rainy Day Fund.

4. OTHER

4.01 Dr. Prusiecki stated the work session scheduled February 3, 2022 to discuss secondary academics was moved to March 1, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. In addition, a work session was scheduled Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. to discuss facilities.

5. CLOSING ITEMS

5.01 Dr. Prusiecki stated that effective tomorrow, masks will still be in place according to the Governor's order, allowing us to not quarantine students through contact tracing, and we will begin allowing visitors back into our buildings, field trips, volunteers, and those who wish to have lunch with their child. This information will be communicated to our parents tomorrow. He thanked the Board for awarding the bids for our Career Pathway Facility, which will provide opportunities for our students through high school and beyond. He was pleased the Board approved the 2023-24 school calendar this evening in order to provide consistency and continuity for our education community. He thanked everyone for attending and thanked them on behalf of MSD Decatur Township for all they do for our students. He welcomed and congratulated the following staff members:

- Mrs. Nicole Moorhead, Director of Child Nutrition, thanked everyone for the opportunity and was excited to begin in the district. She thanked everyone for the warm welcome.
- Mrs. Susan Bryant, Preschool Director effective 2022-23 school year, stated she is Decatur Proud to continue to work in Decatur. She has worked in the district over 35 years, with the last 20 years as principal of an early childhood building, and she is thrilled to continue as the district's preschool director.

5.02 Mrs. Vandeventer congratulated Mrs. Bryant and is happy to have her lead our preschool program. She welcomed Mrs. Moorhead to the district.

Mr. Ray congratulated Mrs. Bryant and knows she will continue to do great things in her new role. He thanked Dr. Prusiecki and his team for their good work. He congratulated Dr. Prusiecki for his daughter's success during the Jasper diving regional and wished her good luck at the state finals.

Mr. Taylor thanked everyone for attending. He congratulated those with new positions and thanked everyone for the good work they are doing. He was pleased to announce that his granddaughter made it to the Plainfield diving regional as a DCHS freshman.

Mrs. Collins thanked everyone for doing a great job with eLearning last week and thanked our custodians for doing an awesome job cleaning the sidewalks.

Mr. Henson thanked everyone for attending. He congratulated Mrs. Bryant on her new position and welcomed Mrs. Moorhead to the district. He shared that DTEF will hold its annual golf outing on June 3rd beginning 1:00 p.m. at Winding River Golf Course. His goal is to have 40 teams, so he encouraged individuals to register their teams early, as last year he had to turn away eight teams. He thanked Dr. Prusiecki and his team for their work and thanked Dr. Folks and the maintenance staff for their great work cleaning our driveways and sidewalks.

- 5.03 Mrs. Vandeventer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Dale Henson, President

Mrs. Judith Collins, Vice President

Mr. Larry Taylor, Secretary

Mr. Jimmy Ray, Member

Mrs. Estella Vandeventer, Member