

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 15, 2021

The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of Steuben County, Angola, Indiana, met in regular session at Central Gymnasium (next door to the F.K. McCutchan Administrative Center) starting at 6:30 p.m. Board members present were Mr. Cory Archbold, President; Mr. Kevin Beard, Vice President; Mrs. LeAnn Boots, Secretary; Mr. Brad Gardner, Member; Mrs. Becky Maggart, Member; Mr. Scott Poor, Member; and Mr. Mark Ridenour, Member. Also, present were Dr. Brent Wilson, Superintendent; Mrs. Ann Rice, Assistant Superintendent; and Mrs. Wendy Wilson, Administrative Assistant. Sixty-four people, consisting of fifteen administrators, eleven teachers, seventeen staff, twenty patrons, and one member of the media also attended the meeting.

Minutes - Upon the motion of Mrs. Boots, seconded by Mr. Gardner, minutes of the May 18, 2021, Regular Meeting; May 26, 2021, Executive Session; and June 03, 2021, Special Meeting; June 10, 2021, Executive Session; and June 11, 2021, Executive Session were unanimously approved by the Board.

Claims - Upon the motion of Mr. Beard, seconded by Mr. Ridenour, the following claims were unanimously approved by the Board to be paid as presented:

Education Fund (0101).....	\$1,484,909.44
Debt Service (0200)	1,509,748.79
Pension Bond Debt (0250).....	193,325.00
Operations Fund (0300)	1,213,390.88
Food Service (0800/8400).....	109,087.69
Textbook Rental (0901-0903).....	39,880.99
After School Child Care (1650)	5,372.06
Misc. Donations (2000)	866.87
Donation – Dell Foundation (2020)	519.56
FIST Grants (2060)	249.81
Wellness Grant (2400-2401)	4,170.00
Early Intervention Grant (3230-3239).....	2,157.80
Secured Schools Safety Grant (3270-3279).....	3,039.77
EOC (3320)	17,968.08
Non-English Speaking Program (3710-3719)...	1,972.72
High Ability (GT) (3760-3769)	9,576.97
Project Lead the Way (3956).....	750.00

Title I (4100-4190).....	36,531.38
Title IV Part A/SSAE (5810-5820).....	1,386.96
Title II/Pt A/Teacher Quality (6840-6849).....	26,834.78
Title III/English Language (6880-6889)	256,762.62
ESSER II (7931).....	230,036.62
Education Stabilization Relief (7941)	14,074.07
ESSER II (7950).....	240,088.01
Payroll Withholdings (9000-9999)	733,011.60
Grand Total.....	<u>\$6,135,712.47</u>

Payroll No. 18 05-20-21
 Payroll No. 19 06-04-21

The Annual Food Service Report – Mrs. Haynes Clifford gave her annual Food Service report.

During the 2020-2021 school year, breakfast and lunch meals served were substantially less.

Thankfully, Food Service had a stable financial balance.

Indiana Department of Education, Division of Nutrition requires notification and approval of changes to the food service program in order to receive Federal Reimbursement. MSD has submitted multiple revisions to comply.

The USDA announced in April that schools could continue to provide breakfast and lunch to all students at no charge for the 2021-2022 school year. There is proposed legislation to make free breakfast and lunches to all students a permanent change.

Food Service has worked with Dr. Relue to provide snacks to elementary and middle school summer school students. Snacks were implemented in order to assist Food Service in abiding by the meal bundle distribution guidelines.

Food Service will be providing meals and snacks to the preschoolers beginning in August. Because these students will be enrolled at Carlin Park and eating in the dining room, they are also eligible to receive breakfast and lunch daily at no charge. Snacks will be provided daily as a part of the student fees with Food Service billing the Preschool Program monthly.

While meals will be provided at no charge for the 2021-2022 school year, we are waiting for guidance from the IDOE regarding how textbook assistance will be processed. There are two different forms currently available; MSD will utilize the approved form. These forms are highly

encouraged for families as they are vital for textbook assistance and are directly connected with multiple facets of the funds and services that MSD currently provide to our students.

Mrs. Haynes-Clifford appreciates the continued support of all Administrators, Teachers, Support Staff and the Board of Trustees.

Elementary Student Handbook – Mrs. Heavin presented the elementary student handbook and asked for approval of date changes. Upon the motion of Mr. Poor and seconded by Mr. Ridenour, the elementary student handbook date changes were unanimously approved.

High School Student Handbook – Mr. Heavin presented the high school student handbook and asked for approval of schedule and name changes. Upon the motion of Mr. Ridenour and seconded by Mr. Poor, the high school student handbook schedule and name changes were unanimously approved.

Textbook Rental Fees – Dr. Relue asked for approval of the 2021-2022 textbook and supply fees. Upon the motion of Mr. Ridenour and seconded by Mr. Gardner, the 2021-2022 textbook and supply fees were unanimously approved.

2021-2022 Adult Meal Prices – Mrs. Haynes-Clifford asked approval to increase adult breakfast price to \$2.50 and adult lunch meal price to \$4.60 per Federal Guidelines. The USDA has extended provisions that breakfast and lunch daily is at no charge to the students for the 2021-2022 school year. Upon the motion of Mr. Beard and seconded by Mrs. Boots, the increase of adult breakfast and adult lunch meal prices were unanimously approved.

2021-2022 Food Service Vendor Approval – Mrs. Haynes-Clifford asked approval of Food 2 School Cafeteria Food & Supplies bid and the Region 8 Education Service Center Bread & Bakery, and Milk & Dairy bid as vendors for the purchase of food items and supplies. Upon the motion of Mrs. Maggart and seconded by Mrs. Boots, the food service vendors were unanimously approved.

Vote on Interim Superintendent – Mr. Archbold asked for a motion to hire Steve Sprunger as the interim superintendent. There were no discussions. Upon the motion of Mrs. Boots and seconded by Mrs. Maggart, Steve Sprunger was hired as the Interim Superintendent and was unanimously approved.

Future Meetings –

- A. July 20, 2021, Regular Meeting, MSD Central Gymnasium, 6:30 p.m.
- B. August 17, 2021, Regular Meeting, MSD Central Gymnasium, 6:30 p.m.
- C. September 21, 2021, Regular Meeting, MSD Central Gymnasium, 6:30 p.m.

Personnel Considerations - The following, leave, resignations, and recommendations were received for approval:

LEAVE:

Mikalynn Lowry, Angola Middle School, 8th Grade Math Teacher, Effective the 2021-2022 school year

RESIGNATIONS:

Kerry DuLaney, Angola High School, Math Teacher
Kim Wagner, Angola High School, English Learner Instructional Assistant
Joni Hawkins, Hendry Park Elementary, Emotional Disabilities Instructional Assistant
Naomi Miller, Ryan Park Elementary, Applied Skills Instructional Assistant
Gail Curtis, Angola Middle School, Food Service
Drew Buffenbarger, Pleasant Lake Elementary, Temporary Custodian/Instructional Assistant
Howard McKeever, District, Grounds
Jason Clune, Angola High School, Freshman Boys' Basketball Coach
Ryan Mantel, Angola High School, Junior Varsity Football Coach
Scott Hottell, Angola High School, Head Boys' Tennis Coach
Scott Hottell, Angola High School, Head Girls' Tennis Coach
Amy Buchs, Angola High School, Assistant Girl Tennis Coach

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Tia Buchs, Angola Middle School, Summer School Teacher Session 1 and Session 2
Victoria Hall, Carlin Park Elementary, Summer School Instructional Assistant
Jason Witte, Carlin Park Elementary, Summer School Instructional Assistant
Donna Brown, Hendry Park Elementary, Summer School Instructional Assistant
Dee Catey, Hendry Park Elementary, Summer School Instructional Assistant
Tenessa Czarnecki, Ryan Park Elementary, Summer School Instructional Assistant
Naomi Miller, Ryan Park Elementary, Summer School Instructional Assistant
Chloe Boyer, Carlin Park Elementary, Summer Custodian
Corinee Conant, Carlin Park Elementary, Summer Custodian
Carter Lemon, Carlin Park Elementary, Summer Custodian
Hunter Smith, Carlin Park Elementary, Summer Custodian
Alea Brandt, Pleasant Lake Elementary, Summer Custodian
Alexandria Jacoby, Carlin Park Elementary, Summer Custodian

Brenden Bowen, District, Summer Technology
Sue Shollenberger, District, Temporary Primary Grades Reading Coach
Haley Billow, Angola High School, Social Studies Teacher
Jordan Engel-Walworth, Angola High School, Math Teacher
Tia Buchs, Angola Middle School, Temporary Alternative Teacher
Charles Lanam, Angola Middle School, Temporary Alternative Teacher
Diane Votaw, Angola Middle School, Family and Consumer Science Teacher
Katy Woods, Carlin Park Elementary, Early Learning Center Teacher
Jennifer Burris, Hendry Park Elementary, 4th Grade Teacher
Jamie Slaughterbeck, Ryan Park Elementary, Temporary Special Education Teacher
Jacob Forte, Angola High School, Brass Co-Instructor
Paul Whitehead, Angola High School, Brass Co-Instructor

Upon the motion of Mr. Ridenour and seconded Mr. Gardner, the above listed leave, resignations, and recommendations were unanimously approved.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Wilson thanked MSD for his 15 years and wished everyone the best.

Board Member Communications – Mr. Poor thanked Dr. Wilson for his service and stated he would be honored to be used as a reference. Mr. Ridenour congratulated the 2021 graduates and thanked Dr. Wilson for his service. Mr. Ridenour stated that MSD is better because of Dr. Wilson. Mr. Archbold congratulated the 2021 graduates and Mr. Heavin and his staff for a successful graduation ceremony. Mr. Archbold thanked Dr. Wilson for his service to MSD. Mrs. Maggart thanked the teachers that helped with the students this year.

Patron Comments – Mrs. Bauer thanked Dr. Wilson for allowing the principals to do their job and not micro manage. Mr. Heavin thanked Dr. Wilson for his time and support to run his building. Mr. Heavin thanked Mrs. Haynes-Clifford for lunches. Mr. Heavin introduced Ms. Billow as the new high school Social Studies teacher. Mr. Bounds thanked Dr. Wilson for taking a chance on him and being a mentor and only a phone call away. Mr. Bounds stated that Dr. Wilson is a man of integrity. Mrs. Rice thanked Dr. Wilson for hiring her in the role of Assistant Superintendent. Mrs. Rice stated that Dr. Wilson is a man of integrity, honor and love of children. Mrs. Manahan thanked food service and encouraged the parents to complete the necessary forms for the services. Mrs. Manahan thanked Dr. Wilson for takin the time and

care to check on the wellbeing of staff. Mrs. Fulton, on behalf of the ACTA, thanked Dr. Wilson and wished him the best. Mrs. Minick thanked Dr. Wilson and wished him luck.

Mr. Ice asked the board how much the interim superintendent will be paid. Mr. Archbold responded that he will be paid \$600 per day and receive a 1099. Mr. Ice asked what funds pay for the interim superintendent. Mrs. Eagleson responded that the Operations Fund will be paying for the interim superintendent and those funds are funded from property taxes only. Mr. Ice asked about the Open Door violation. Mr. Archbold responded that it is no longer an issue. Mr. Ice asked about the audit on employee misconduct. Mr. Archbold responded that the audit report is not published and cannot be discussed. Mr. Ice asked the board members that voted for Mr. Wagner's resignation, to explain why they accepted it. Mrs. Maggart responded that he was already gone. Mr. Gardner responded that he wanted to resign. Mrs. Boots did not respond. Mr. Ice asked the board why they violated Dr. Wilson's contract that was written by respectable members of the community; Mr. Holcomb, Mr. Army, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Myers and Mrs. Favourite. Mr. Ice asked who their next target is.

Mr. Ryan stated that his father would be disgusted with this board and that his late father thought very highly of Dr. Wilson. Mr. Ryan thanked Dr. Wilson for what he did for his father when he passed.

Mr. Herman asked if the employees being investigated were notified that they were being investigated. Mr. Archbold responded that he thought they were.

Mrs. Fulton asked if the lunch portions were going to be the same as last year. Mrs. Haynes-Clifford responded yes.

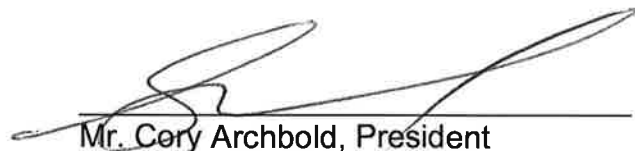
Mr. Beard stated that community and staff questions about Dr. Wilson's contract revision should have been asked in 2016 when the contract change was made and in November 2020 when the board voted to cancel his contract. Mr. Beard stated that when the board changed Dr. Wilson's contract in 2016, two attorneys stated the change could not be done without both

parties agreement and one attorney stated the board could change it without Dr. Wilson's approval.


Mr. Archbold stated that the school board will be united for the best interest of the students and community.

Mrs. Irwin stated that the staff and community are mourning the loss of Dr. Wilson but asked for everyone to move forward and put on their best face.

Adjournment – Upon the motion of Mr. Beard, seconded by Mrs. Boots, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Mr. Cory Archbold, President



Mrs. LeAnn Boots, Secretary

