

**NORTH PUTNAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
JANUARY 25, 2011 MINUTES**

The members of the Board of School Trustees of the North Putnam Community School Corporation held their Regular Session meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 2011, 7:00 P.M. at North Putnam High School Auditorium, 8869 N. Co. Rd. 250 E., Roachdale, Indiana.

Board members present:                      Debra Sillery  
    Charlie Boller  
    Mark Hoke  
    Jackie Simpson  
    Travis Lambermont  
    John Hays  
    Oliver Haste

Board members absent:                      None

Superintendent present:                    Mary Sugg Lovejoy, Ph.D.

Assistant to the Superintendent present:    Kevin Emsweller

Attorney present:                            Gene Hostetter

**I.     CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice President Debbie Sillery called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Lovejoy began the meeting by recognizing the North Putnam football team and athletic staff for a great season. Dr. Lovejoy expressed how proud the corporation is of the team. Dr. Lovejoy commented that sports are very important, but most important are the young men you are becoming. The team represented the corporation so well and they deserve to be commended. Each player was awarded a certificate for their great football season.

Mr. Hostetter began with the oath of office for John Hays, Travis Lambermont, and Oliver Haste. The new Board members were sworn in.

**II.    ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Hostetter opened the floor for nominations for President of the Board. Jackie Simpson nominated Charlie Boller. Debbie Sillery seconded the nomination for Charlie Boller. Charlie Boller was elected President of the Board.

There being no further nominations Debbie Sillery motioned to close the nominations, Mark Hoke seconded the motion and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

The meeting was turned over to newly elected President, Charlie Boller. President Charlie Boller opened the floor for nominations for Vice President. Mark Hoke nominated Debbie Sillery. Jackie Simpson seconded the nomination. President Charlie Boller asked if there were any other nominations. Debbie Sillery was elected Vice President of the Board.

There being no further nominations, John Hays motioned to close the nominations, Oliver Haste seconded the motion and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

President Charlie Boller opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Mark Hoke nominated Jackie Simpson. Debbie Sillery seconded the nomination. President Charlie Boller asked if there were any other nominations. Jackie Simpson was elected Secretary of the Board.

There being no further nominations, Debbie Sillery motioned to close the nominations, Mark Hoke seconded the motion and it carried with a 6 – 0 vote (Jackie Simpson abstained).

President Charlie Boller asked for a vote to keep the Board meetings on the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. with the meetings being held at the Central Office.

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the date, time, and location of the monthly Board meetings. John Hays seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

President Charlie Boller asked for a vote to retain the current North Putnam Community School Corporation Treasurer.

Jackie Simpson motioned to approve Tanya Pearson as the Corporation Treasurer. Mark Hoke seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

President Charlie Boller asked for a vote to retain the current ECA Treasurers of Jennifer Nelson for Bainbridge, Vicki Windmiller for Roachdale, Kara Smith for the middle school, and Stacey Bean for the high school.

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the ECA Treasurers. Jackie Simpson seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

President Charlie Boller asked for a vote to retain the current North Putnam Community School Corporation Attorney, Gene Hostetter.

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve Mr. Hostetter as the Corporation Attorney for 2010. Mark Hoke seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

President Charlie Boller recessed for the Board of Finance meeting.

Mark Hoke motioned to recess the Board of Finance meeting. Jackie Simpson seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

President Charlie Boller asked for approval of officers for the Board of Finance. Officers consist of a President and a Secretary.

Debbie Sillery motioned to keep the Board of Finance officers the same as the current Board of School Trustees officers. Travis Lambermont seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

President Charlie Boller asked for a motion to close the Board of Finance meeting.

Mark Hoke motioned to close the Board of Finance meeting. John Hays seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

President Charlie Boller asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes.

Jackie Simpson motioned to approve the following minutes:

December 16, 2010, Executive Session

December 16, 2010, Regular Session

Debbie Sillery seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

**IV. INFORMATION REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

**A. Report on Daylight Savings Time - Mary Williams:**

Dr. Lovejoy introduced guest speaker, Ms. Mary K. Williams. Ms. Williams is working with a Coalition to change Indiana to the Central Time Zone. Ms. Williams discussed how many more days of sunlight we would have if we were on Central Time. She expressed concern about the dangers of children standing at bus stops and getting on buses in the dark. She asked Board members to consider signing a resolution at the February Board meeting. President Charlie Boller thanked Ms. Williams for her time and noted it was obvious Ms. Williams was very passionate about this issue.

**V. FINANCIAL REPORT**

**A. Treasurer’s Report [Attached hereto]**

Jackie Simpson motioned to approve the treasurer’s report as presented. Mark Hoke seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

**B. Approval of Claims:**

Claim approvals: 01/01/11 –01/14/11 Voucher Numbers 1-74, 25044-25059

Jackie Simpson motioned to approve above claims as presented. Debbie Sillery seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

**C. School Fund Reports [Attached hereto]**

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve above claims as presented. Oliver Haste seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

**D. Disposition of Outstanding Checks**

Tanya Pearson, Treasurer, noted that the outstanding checks for the Teacher’s Association have been deposited.

Mark Hoke motioned to approve all claims above as amended. Debbie Sillery seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

**VI. CONTRACTS FOR APPROVAL**

None

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Public Hearing for Rainy Day Fund:**

Due to the Board meeting being postponed until January 25, 2011, the public hearing for the Rainy Day Fund will take place on February 17. The public hearing must be advertised ten days prior to the Board meeting.

**B. Appointment of Board Members to the Seclusion and Restraint Board Policy Committee:**

Dr. Lovejoy noted that we are required by law to have a Seclusion and Restraint Board Policy. Dr. Lovejoy requested that two Board members be appointed to the Seclusion and Restraint Board Policy Committee. Oliver Haste and Mark Hoke volunteered to be a part of the committee.

C. Permission to Accept Fuel Bids:

Sealed fuel bids were to be received by 3:30 P.M. on January 19, 2011. The corporation received two sealed bids. Petroleum Traders Corporation of Fort Wayne submitted their sealed bid on January 18, 2011, and Co-Alliance of Avon submitted their sealed bid on January 19, 2011.

It is recommended that both bids be rejected, and the Corporation purchased its fuel from the open market. When the Corporation is ready to purchase fuel, both companies will be contacted and an order will be placed with the company that provides the lowest market price.

Debbie Sillery motioned to grant permission to order fuel from the open market. Mark Hoke seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

D. Permission to Purchases School Buses:

The 2010-2011 School Bus Replacement Plan indicated that three school buses would be purchased during the 2010-2011 school year. The corporation could have purchased three buses last year, but because of financial constraints, two buses were purchased.

North Putnam School Corporation has a bus replacement plan that calls for three (3) buses to be replaced in the 2011 fiscal year. The amount allocated for this replacement is \$319,000. We are recommending the purchase of two (2) 84 passenger buses and one (1) 72-passenger bus. Bus bids obtained by West Central Indiana Education Service Center were used for this recommended purchase. The recommendation is to accept the low bid (84 passenger bus) of International. They were the only company to include a 10-year warranty. The total replacement cost for the three buses would be \$300,934.

At the time of the new bus purchase, five buses will be traded in, reducing the fleet to 40 buses. The total trade-in value of the five (5) buses is \$17,600.

John Hays and Oliver Haste were hesitant about spending the money to replace the buses right now. Dr. Lovejoy reminded the Board that the School Bus Replacement Fund could not be used for anything other than bus replacement. Dr. Lovejoy expressed concern that if the buses are not replaced now the Corporation will have issues next year if more buses have to be purchased. Randy Neeley noted that the Corporation used to purchase buses every ten years, and now buses are purchased every twelve years. If the Corporation waits until after January 31, 2011 to purchase its buses, the price of an engine will go up by several thousand dollars. The current bids are valid through the end of January 2011. Travis Lambermont asked how much the cost of buses had increased in cost over the last year. Kevin Emsweller noted they went up by \$10,000. Oliver Haste asked if discussion could be tabled until the next meeting.

Oliver Haste motioned to table the discussion until the next meeting. John Hays seconded the motion, and it was denied by 3 – 4 vote (Debbie Sillery, Charlie Boller, Travis Lambermont, and Jackie Simpson nay).

President Charlie Boller asked for a motion to approve the bus purchases. Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the purchase of two buses. Travis Lambermont seconded the motion, and it carried with a 4 – 3 vote (Oliver Haste, John Hays, and Mark Hoke nay). Permission to purchase school buses was approved.

E. Request for Band Trip for Spring Break 2012:

The band is requesting permission to travel to Disney World during the Spring Break of 2012. The trip will cost \$600 per person and no costs will be assumed by the corporation. There will be seven to eight students assigned to each chaperone. The band trip will be scheduled over spring break so that no instructional time is lost

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the band trip for Spring Break 2012. Oliver Haste seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

## IX. PERSONNEL

### A. Personnel

#### 1. Retirement – Certified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date
Darrel Wiatt	Bainbridge	Teacher	Conclusion of the 2010-2011 School Year

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the above retirement-certified. Travis Lambermont seconded the motion, and it carried by a 5 – 2 vote (Charlie Boller and Jackie Simpson nay).

#### 2. Medical Leave – Classified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Leave
Ken McMullen	Bainbridge	Custodian	01/24/2011 thru 03/28/2011	Medical leave

President Charlie Boller asked for a motion to approve the above medical leave-classified. Due to the lack of a motion, the request dies.

#### 3. Resignation – Certified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date
John Moore	ONT	Vocational Coordinator	Conclusion of 2010-2011 School Year

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the above resignation-certified. Oliver Haste seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

#### 4. Resignation – Classified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date
Joey Clampitt	Roachdale	Custodian	Upon Board Approval 01/20/2011

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the above resignation-classified. Jackie Simpson seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

#### 5. New Employment – Classified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Employment
Kami Hackleman	Roachdale	Media Center Instructional Assistant	Upon Board Approval 01/20/2011	Media Center/Computer Lab Instructional Assistant
Jennifer Stranger	NPMS	Media Center Instructional Assistant	Upon Board Approval 01/20/2011	Media Center Specialist Assistant/Attendance

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the above new employment-classified. Mark Hoke seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

#### 6. New Employment – Athletics:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Employment
Linda Patrick	NPHS	Varsity Girls' Golf Coach	Upon Board Approval 01/20/2011	She will coach varsity girls' golf team.

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the above new employment-athletics. Oliver Haste seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

## X. ITEMS FROM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Mark Hoke wanted to commend Darrell Wiatt and Joey Clampitt for their service to the school corporation. Debbie Sillery recognized the transportation staff, custodians, and maintenance staff for all the hard work during recent bad weather. John Hays asked if a representative from the construction company would be attending the next Board meeting. Dr. Lovejoy noted that Jim Thompson with Gibraltar would be attending the next Board meeting to discuss the roof at the middle school and the roof at Roachdale. Debbie Sillery requested that the Board start having meetings in each of the schools on a rotational basis. The meetings will begin in March. President Charlie Boller commented that several months ago the Town of Bainbridge received a grant for lighting, which enabled the schools to replace lighting in the gymnasiums. The lighting looks wonderful and he thanked the Town of Bainbridge for being able to provide this lighting at no cost to the school corporation.

## XI. ITEMS AFTER 4:00 P.M. – January 25, 2011

### A. Personnel:

#### 1. Medical Leave – Certified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Leave
Ron Price	NPMS	Teacher	2/21/11 thru 03/11/11	Medical Leave

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the above medical leave-certified. Jackie Simpson seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

#### 2. New Employment – Classified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Employment
Jared Jeannotte	NPMS	Custodian	Upon Board Approval 01/25/11	Replaces Joey Clampitt

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the above new employment-classified. John Hays seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

#### 3. New Employment – Athletics:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Employment
Marsha Davidson	NPMS	Boys' and Girls' Head Golf Coach	Effective for the 2010-2011 Spring Season	She will coach the middle school boys' and girls' golf teams.
Nathan Martindale	NPMS	Boy's Head Golf Coach	Effective for the 2010-2011 Spring Season	He will coach the high school boys' golf team.
Fred Shorter	NPMS	Assistant Track and Field Coach	Effective for the 2010-2011 Spring Season	He will assist the high school track and field team.
Randi Terhune	NPMS	Assistant Swim Coach (Volunteer)	Effective for the 2010-2011 Winter Season	She will assist the middle school swim team.

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the above new employment-athletics. Oliver Haste seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

#### 4. New Employment – ECA:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Employment
Rachel Pierce	NPMS	Volunteer Staff Member	Upon Board Approval 01/25/11	She would help with the winter guard and winter drum line programs as a volunteer.

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the above new employment-ECA. Debbie Sillery seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

**XII. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY**

John Pinson noted that forty-seven choir students will be participating in a District Solo and Ensemble Competition in Avon on February 5, 2011. The Winter Guard placed fourth out of nine in a recent competition. There were seven girls on the team and they should be commended.

Marsha Davidson requested that the Superintendent and the Board of School Trustees work together to sponsor a Community Forum to discuss the proposed legislative changes in education currently being discussed at the State House. Dr. Lovejoy requested that Marsha Davidson contact her to set up the community forum. John Hays expressed that we need to make our concerns known to the state representatives.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Debbie Sillery moved for adjournment of the meeting. Mark Hoke seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

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*Charlie Boller, President*

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*Travis Lambermont, Member*

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*Debra Sillery, Vice-President*

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*John Hays, Member*

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*Jackie Simpson, Secretary*

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*Oliver Haste, Member*

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*Mark Hoke, Member*