

**NORTH PUTNAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
AUGUST 12, 2010 MINUTES**

The members of the Board of School Trustees of the North Putnam Community School Corporation held their Regular Session meeting on Thursday, August 12, 2010, 7:00 P.M. at North Putnam High School Auditorium, 8869 N. Co. Rd. 250 E., Roachdale, Indiana.

Board members present:                     Andy Beck  
  Debra Sillery  
  Carl Blau  
  Mark Hoke  
  Jackie Simpson  
  Charlie Boller  
  Jon Buser

Board members absent:                     None

Superintendent present:                     Mary Sugg Lovejoy, Ph.D.

Assistant Superintendent present:             Kevin Emsweller

Attorney present:                             Gene Hostetter

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

President Andy Beck called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II.    1028 HEARING**

Dr. Lovejoy explained North Putnam Community School Corporation is the recipient of a Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB). NPCSC will receive \$1.95 million in construction bonds. The grant will aid in renovation and repair projects across the district. The QSCB allows the corporation to purchase bonds at a net zero percent interest rate for repair projects. The Middle School windows will be replaced and sections of the roof will be repaired. The roof at Roachdale Elementary will be repaired and the High School will have the entire roof replaced. Dr. Lovejoy noted the purpose of the 1028 Hearing was to consider a proposed lease between Gibraltar and North Putnam Community School Corporation.

Jim Thompson, Gibraltar, and Tom Mandon, Educational Services Company, provided presentations on the need for renovation and improvements to the High School, Middle School, and Roachdale Elementary. Mr. Thompson and Mr. Mandon discussed the building plans and gave an estimated project cost and schedule. Mr. Mandon explained the tax rate impact the project would have on the community. Before the corporation can enter into the lease, it will be necessary for the corporation to hold a public hearing on the lease. Following the presentations, President Beck asked if there were any questions or comments from the community. There were none.

**III.   APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

President Beck asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Debbie Sillery noted one change to the July 22 Board meeting minutes. The minutes were approved with the correction noted.

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the following minutes:

July 22, 2010, Regular Session Meeting  
July 22, 2010, Executive Session Meeting

Jackie Simpson seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

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

- A. June 30, 2009 versus June 30, 2010 Budget Fund Comparisons:  
Dr. Lovejoy provided an overview of the budget information shared during the August 3 Board Work Session.

#### **V. FINANCIAL REPORT**

- A. Treasurer's Report [Attached hereto]

- B. Approval of Claims:

Claim approvals: 7/31/10 – Voucher Numbers 237-239, 326-338

8/01/10 – 8/12/10 Voucher Numbers 24319-24326, 1-79

Questions were taken from Board members regarding particular claim numbers.

- C. School Fund Reports [Attached hereto]

Jackie Simpson motioned to approve all claims above as presented. Debbie Sillery seconded the motion, and it carried with a 5 – 2 vote (Charlie Boller and Mark Hoke nay).

#### **VI. CONTRACTS FOR APPROVAL**

None

#### **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Action to Approve Budget for Publication:

Dr. Lovejoy is seeking permission to approve the budget for publication.

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the budget for publication. Jackie Simpson seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

- B. Student Transfer Request:

The Board received a parent request for a student transfer to North Putnam High School from Greencastle High School.

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve student transfer request. Mark Hoke seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

- C. Recommendation to Approve Representative to the Roachdale-Franklin Township Library Board:

Debbie Keffer, Director of the Roachdale-Franklin Township Public Library, is recommending Jana Brothers be retained as the representative to the Library Board.

Mark Hoke motioned to approve the representative to the Library Board. Jackie Simpson seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

- D. Approval of Teen Student Leadership Academy (TSLA) Overnight Trips:

Each year, students in the TSLA program participate in activities that require overnight approval. The costs of the TSLA activities are covered by the students. TSLA is sponsored by the West Central Indiana Educational Cooperative. Chaperones will be provided.

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the TSLA overnight trips. Charlie Boller seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

- E. Approval of North Putnam High School Prom/Post Prom Fundraising Requests:  
 Prom/Post Prom fundraising would consist of apparel sales and a link on school web sites for apparel sales, brownie and hot chocolate sales at basketball and football games, and donations from businesses for post prom give-away prizes.

Charlie Boller motioned to approve Prom/Post Prom fundraising requests. Debbie Sillery seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

## IX. PERSONNEL

### 1. New Employment – Classified:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Employment
Brandy Dickson	NPMS	Instructional Assistant to Lifeguard	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	Replaces Brian Rhoden

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve classified staff. Jon Buser seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

### 2. New Employment – Extra-Curricular:

Name	Building	Position	Effective Date	Reason for Employment
Brenda Anderson	NPHS	FCA	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	FCA
David Basan	NPHS	Senior Class Sponsor	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He will be the Senior Class Sponsor.
Julie Black	Roachdale Elementary	Spell Bowl Sponsor	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	Replaces Kathy Sykes
Jayne Crosley	NPHS	FCCLA	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	FCCLA
Tyler Egli	NPHS	SADD/TSLA	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He will be the advisor for SADD and TSLA.
Kathi Elliott	NPHS	Musical Pianist	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will be HS Musical Pianist.
Monique Fields	NPHS	Journalism – Newspaper/Yearbook	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will head the journalism for newspaper and yearbook.
Norm Fish	NPHS	Football Coach (Volunteer)	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He would be working on a volunteer basis.
Linda Gjesvold	NPHS	Major Production Director/Art Director/Technical Director/Thespian Club	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will be HS Major Production Director, Art Director, and Technical Director.
Ollie Haste	NPHS	Coach/Youth Football League President (Volunteer)	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He would be working on a volunteer basis.
Gayle Hendrich	NPHS	BPA Advisor	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will head the BPA.
Chase Hiland	NPHS	Boys’ Soccer Coach (Volunteer) Academic Coach – Spell	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He would be working on a volunteer basis.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Reason for Employment</b>
Emily Himes	NPHS	Bowl/Frosh Solutions Fall/Winter Guard – Music Department	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will help with Fall/Winter Guard.
Kristy Lippencott	NPHS	Academic Coach – Math	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will coach the Math Team.
Annette Maier	NPHS	Academic coach – Science	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will coach the Science Team.
Jeff McKinney	NPHS	Fall/Winter Guard – Music Department	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He will help with Fall/Winter Guard.
Darren Montgomery	NPMS	Football Coach (Volunteer)	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He would be working on a volunteer basis.
Bonnie Osborn	NPHS	Junior Class Sponsor	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will be the Junior Class Sponsor.
John Pinson	NPMS/ NPHS	MS/HS Band and Orchestra Director /Fine Arts	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He would direct the band programs for the Middle School and High School.
Tom Roach	NPHS	Academic Coach – Social Studies	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He will coach Social Studies Team.
Ann Ruble	NPMS/ NPHS	MS/HS assistant Band Director and HS Drum Line Instructor	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will assist the band director and instruct the HS drum line.
Kate Skirvin	NPHS	FFA Advisor	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	She will be the advisor for FFA.
Kelly Thomas	NPHS	High School Musical and Vocal Director/ Key Club	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	Assists with Musical and Choir Program.
Eric VanHaften	NPHS	National Honor Society	Upon Board Approval 08/12/10	He will head the National Honor Society.

Jon Buser motioned to approve the above extra-curricular staff. Charlie Boller seconded the motion, and it carried by a 6 – 1 vote (Andy Beck nay).

## **X. ITEMS FROM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

President Beck wanted to notify the community that Clinton Township, Jackson Township, and Floyd Township Board positions are up for reelection. Paperwork to run for the School Board must be completed and turned into the Courthouse by noon on August 20, 2010.

President Beck noted that a committee will be formed to look into attendance centers. The committee will consist of two Board members, two administrators, two teachers, two PTO representatives, and the superintendent or the assistant superintendent. Andy Beck and Jackie Simpson volunteered to serve on the committee. The first meeting of the committee will be set up this month. Debbie Sillery asked if an online survey could be given to see how the community feels about attendance centers. Dr. Lovejoy noted that this could be accomplished by using Survey Monkey.

Charlie Boller wanted to commend the community Building Committee for the upkeep project at Bainbridge Elementary. Members of the committee should be recognized for all their hard work. Gene Hostetter noted that two committee members have served for a long time and have done a wonderful job. Charlie Boller noted that a lot of work has gone into the Cougar D.E.N. at Bainbridge Elementary. Many people volunteered their time and they should be thanked for their efforts. Everyone involved should be commended for the hard work and donations.

**XI. ITEMS AFTER 4:00 P.M. – August 12, 2010**

**A. Recommendation to Accept Insurance Bid Proposal:**

Indiana Insurance was the only company to submit a bid proposal for North Putnam Community School Corporation’s insurance package. The bid received was in the amount of \$125,533.

Debbie Sillery motioned to approve the above bid proposal. Jon Buser seconded the motion, and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

**B. Personnel:**

*1. New Employment – Classified:*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Reason for Employment</b>
Joni Young	Transportation	Bus Driver	08/13/10	She will cover preschool route

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

*2. Resignation – Classified:*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Denna DeLaCruz	Bainbridge	Health Aid/Secretary	As soon as position is filled
Mendy Ruble	Bainbridge	Instructional Assistant – Special Education	08/11/10

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

**XII. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY**

Jason Chew commented that Greencastle School has decided not to use the Western Indiana Knoy Center for credit recovery. Jason Chew wanted the Board to understand that the school is able to control the program and this will be a great way for students to work hard and gain needed credits. Dr. Lovejoy noted that the school will be using the Plato program, which is a very good program.

One patron asked if the survey to the community about attendance centers would be a general survey or require more involved information. Dr. Lovejoy noted that any specific questions for the survey could be sent to her. Dr. Lovejoy commented that the corporation and the Board will take their time to discuss attendance centers due to the sensitivity of the subject.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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*Andrew Beck, President*

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*Jon Buser, Member*

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*Debra Sillery, Vice-President*

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*Mark Hoke, Member*

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*Charlie Boller, Secretary*

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*Jacquelyn Simpson, Member*

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*Carl Blau, Member*