

**NORTH PUTNAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 MINUTES**

The members of the Board of School Trustees of the North Putnam Community School Corporation held their Regular Session meeting, on Thursday, September 17, 2009, 7:00 P.M. at North Putnam Community School Corporation, Administration Office, 300 North Washington Street, Bainbridge, Indiana.

Board members present: Debra Sillery
 Carl Blau
 Mark Fordice
 Andy Beck
 Charlie Boller
 Jon Buser
 Dale McGaughey

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

President Debbie Sillery called the meeting to order at 7: 04 P.M. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Mark Fordice motioned to approve the following minutes:

- August 15, 2009, Work Session, Executive Session Meeting
- August 20, 2009, Executive Session Meeting
- August 20, 2009, Regular Session Meeting

Dale McGaughey seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

Board Commendations

Dr. Lovejoy presented the following Certificates of Commendation:

1. Cody Beck-Indiana State Fair 2009 Reserve Champion Beef Cattle
2. Taylor Zaring-Indiana State Fair 2009 Grand Champion Tomatoes

3. Kristen Fordice-2009 Indiana State Fair 2009 Reserve Grand Champion Barrow

III. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

- Dean Cook of Bainbridge Elementary stated that the recycling project is going well.
- Marsha Davidson, Middle School teacher, informed the Board that more than 50 parents attended the McCormick's Creek informational meeting.
- Scott Spencer of Roachdale Elementary stated that the staff development training for the new Smart Boards went very well and that the students attended a bike safety meeting during the staff development time. They are also doing Native American and Constitution activities this week at Roachdale Elementary.
- Debbie Sillery questioned Mr. Spencer about the "coffee with Mr. Spencer" program. He stated there will be time on the last Friday of each month for parents to come to Roachdale and discuss issues with him.
- Alan Zerkel stated that the high school is busy with athletics, marching band and staff development.
- Debbie Sillery commented on the 40 years recognition activities sponsored by the Alumni Association at the last football game.
- Jennifer Conley updated the Board on the recycling program at Bainbridge Elementary.

IV. INFORMATION REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

- A. NPHS Mentoring Program
Mr. Zerkel and Mr. Chew provided an overview of the Peers Program.
- B. Parent/Teacher Conference Recommendation
Dr. Lovejoy announced the Parent/Teacher Conference schedule [see attached memorandum].
- C. Facility Use Policy Review
Dr. Lovejoy informed the Board that Mr. Spencer, Mr. Tippin and Mr. Zerkel have been asked to review the NPCSC Facility Use Policy for consistency and clarity. She asked for a volunteer from the Board to join this committee.
- D. H1N1
Dr. Lovejoy updated the Board on the steps currently being taken to reduce the spread of the flu virus in North Putnam Community Schools.
- E. Land Swap
Dr. Lovejoy informed the Board that payment for the Land Swap has been received.
- F. ISBA Fall Region Meetings
Any Board member interested in attending the ISBA Fall Regional Meetings should contact the Central Office [meeting dates and times are attached].

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Treasurer's Report [Attached hereto]
- B. Approval of Claims:
08-31-09 through 09-11-09-Voucher numbers 170-181, 12081-12092, 22691-22698, lease payments and utilities paid between meetings and 09-12-09 through 09-17-09-Voucher numbers 1 - 109

Mark Fordice motioned to approve the claims as presented. Jon Buser seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

- C. School Fund Reports [Attached hereto]

VI. CONTRACTS FOR APPROVAL

Dr. Lovejoy stated that the North Putnam Classroom Teachers' Association is requesting approval of the following:

1. Memorandum of Understanding, Parent/Teacher Conferences
2. Memorandum of Understanding, Payroll Deductions for ISTA dues

Dale McGaughey motioned to approve the Memorandum of Understanding, Parent/Teacher Conferences and Memorandum of Understanding, Payroll Deductions for ISTA dues. Carl Blau seconded the motion and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

Dr. Lovejoy recommended approval of the contract for Mr. Doug Clodfelter, Water Treatment Plant Operator [contract attached hereto].

Mark Fordice motioned to approve the Water Treatment Plant Operator contract. Jon Buser seconded the motion and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

Dr. Lovejoy recommended approval of the Educational Services Consultants contract with Dr. Tim Jackson with the amendment that the services would not exceed thirty-five hours.

Jon Buser motioned to approve the Educational Services Consultants contract with the deletion of the mileage reimbursement. Andy Beck seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Lovejoy requested approval of Board Policy number 4121, Criminal History Information, on the second reading.

Andy Beck motioned to approve Board Policy number 4121, Criminal History Information, on the second reading. Jon Buser seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing:

The meeting was open to the public for comments and question regarding the following:

- North Putnam Community School Corporation 2010 Budgets
- Capital Projects Plan
- School Bus Replacement Plan

There were no comments brought forward and the hearing was closed.

The North Putnam High School Teen Student Leadership Academy participants are requesting permission to attend the Student Leadership Conference on October 27 and October 28, 2009 in Bloomington, Indiana.

Andy Beck motioned to approve the North Putnam High School Teen Student Leadership Academy to attend the Student Leadership Conference on October 27 and October 28, 2009 in Bloomington, Indiana as requested. Jon Buser seconded the motion and it carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

The North Putnam High School band and choral department are requesting approval of fundraising activities [list attached hereto].

After discussion, Andy Beck motioned to approve the North Putnam High School band and choral department requests excluding item b “Babysitting Nights”. Jon Buser seconded the motion and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

IX PERSONNEL

A. Certified Staff:

1. Resignation:

a.	Kevin Smith	Middle School Teacher	Effective:	September 4, 2009
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2. Employment:

a.	Bradi Gibson	Middle School Teacher	Replace:	Kevin Smith
			Effective:	September 18, 2009

Andy Beck motioned to approve the above certified staff personnel. Jon Buser seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote

B. Support Staff:

1. Employment:

a.	Mecca Willis	High School Instructional Assistant	Replace:	Candie Fehr
			Effective:	September 18, 2009

Mark Fordice motioned to approve the professional growth leave requests. Jon Buser seconded the motion and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

X. ITEMS FROM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

- Mr. Zerkel thanked the Volleyball teams for helping clean up after their games. He further stated that the basketball, football and band students also helped clean up as a fundraiser.
- Debbie Sillery requested an update on the Harmony program. The principals stated that things were going well and they are working on training staff and getting the bugs out of the program. Carl Blau requested an update at the October Board meeting.
- Jon Buser questioned why twenty-five ECA positions were just voted down without any discussion.
- Dale McGaughey commented that this is the second time this has happened recently.
- Gene Hostetter stated they could revisit the issue by referring to the people in question by the letter associated with the name on the personnel page.
- Dr. Lovejoy stated the Board should move on.
- Charlie Boller stated that Scott Radar, who works for Hoosier Heartland State Bank, suggested printing check with the Cougar logo on them and the proceeds from the checks would go back to the schools. He also knows someone that does school pictures.
- Charlie Boller questioned why he was not contacted after the last Board meeting in regards to his comments about logging onto Harmony.

XI. ITEMS AFTER 4:00 P.M. – AUGUST 14, 2009

- I. Jennifer Conley and Kristi Hankins requested permission to sell T-shirts to help raise money for the recycling program at Bainbridge Elementary School.

Carl Blau motioned to approve the sale of T-shirts to help raise money for the recycling program at Bainbridge Elementary School. Andy Beck seconded the motion and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

II. Personnel:

A. Support Staff Personnel:

1. Retirement:

a. Vonda McGaughey

Central Office
Administrative Secretary
Effective: October 14, 2009

B. Extra-Curricular Staff:

1. Employment:

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| a. | Tyler Egli | 8 th Grade Girls' Head Basketball Coach |
| b. | Wesley Richardson | Middle School Head Swimming Coach |
| c. | Susan Trent | Middle School Head Track Coach
6 th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach |
| d. | Ron Price | Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach |
| e. | Linda Patrick | Middle School Head Golf Coach |
| f. | Marsha Davidson | Middle School Assistant Golf Coach |
| g. | Joan Knapp | Middle School Assistant Girls' Track Coach |

Jon Buser motioned to approve the above personnel After 4:00 P.M. items. Andy Beck seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

Marsha Davidson requested permission for the 2010 McCormick's Creek trip to charge \$25.00 per student attending.

Andy Beck motioned to grant permission for the \$25.00 charge for students attending the McCormick's Creek fieldtrip in 2010. Jon Buser seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 7 – 0.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Jon Buser moved for adjournment of the meeting at 8:10 P.M. Dale McGaughey seconded the motion, and it carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

Debra Sillery, President

Jon Buser, Member

Carl Blau, Vice-President

Charlie Boller, Member

Mark Fordice, Secretary

Dale A. McGaughey, Member

Andrew Beck, Member