

**Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting
North Judson-San Pierre School Board of Trustees
Central Office Board Meeting Room
Tuesday, November 17, 2015**

The North Judson-San Pierre Board of School Trustees met for a Regular Session Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Central Office Board Meeting Room. Board President Pat Goin called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The board members present were President Pat Goin, Vice President Larry Lambert, Secretary Michael Shireman, members Jim Menis and Michael Sharkozy. Others present were Superintendent Lynn Johnson, Business Manager/Treasurer Guy Richie and Administrative Assistant Lisa Thompson. Many patrons were present for the meeting.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bluejay Way

Mrs. Johnson, along with the board, presented Vocational Education teachers, Jon Shively, Leslie Hampton and Emily DuVall as well as our school counselors Susie Matzat, Colleen McCarthy and Stephanie White with the Bluejay Way award for being advocates and “cheerleaders” for Vocational Education.

Consent Items

Mr. Menis made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2015 Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lambert; motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Shireman made a motion to approve the personnel actions as presented. Mr. Sharkozy seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Lambert made a motion to approve the financial reports & claims as presented. Mr. Menis seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Recommendations:

NAME	POSITION	RECOMMENDATION
Lynn Johnson	Superintendent	Retirement (effective 12/31/15)
Sheila Akers	Director of Library Media Services/Technology Director	Retirement (effective March 1, 2016)
Heidi Smith	Sub bus driver	Recommended to hire
Barb Yeadon	Special Ed Aide – HS	Recommended to hire
Danna Allen	Substitute teacher	Recommended to hire
Matthew Barnette	Substitute teacher	Recommended to hire
Kathy Holem	Lunch aide – elem.	Recommended to hire
Robert Molebash	Assist. Wrestling coach	Recommended to hire
Retirement agreement between Lynn Johnson, Superintendent – NJ-SP Board of School Trustees		Recommended for approval

Board Policies Discussion – Final Reading

Mrs. Johnson discussed recommendations to policy #9700.01. Mr. Shireman made a motion to approve board policies #6320 and #9700.01. Mr. Lambert seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

ISTEP Update

Mrs. Johnson stated currently there is not much that can be shared about the ISTEP results, they are preliminary and confidential. Parents can view the results along with Mrs. Cunningham, Test Coordinator. Notification and information has been sent to parents explaining that they can request rescoring for their children if they had not gotten full credit for an answer. Parents can contact the school if they need help with that process.

Other

None.

Recognition of Visitors

Mrs. Goin presented a brief statement saying that the board was disappointed that the referendum did not pass, it remains evident that we felt we needed the money to move forward and to provide a good education and opportunities for all of our kids. Having said that, we must now face what we have and work with it and try to find solutions. The board and the administrative staff are working very hard to do that and are moving in that direction. We will be closing out the December 31st books in the black.

Many patrons were present with concerns about the financial future of the school.

Larry Wappel questioned if the board would be having more meetings to discuss this matter. Mrs. Goin stated that the board will have several executive sessions in order to first see where they are, and then they will begin having open work sessions, probably in January.

Debra Wappel asked if the board was seeking outside assistance in looking at the issues. Mrs. Goin explained that we have had one or two outside sources that have looked over things, and they also recently checked with a company for outside assistance but the estimated cost was \$8,400.

Mrs. Goin stated that they will begin interviewing for an interim superintendent next week.

Adjournment

Mr. Menis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 P.M. Mr. Sharkozy seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

_____ Pat Goin, President

_____ Larry Lambert, Vice President

_____ Michael Shireman, Secretary

_____ Jim Menis, Member

_____ Michael Sharkozy, Member