

**North Judson-San Pierre School Board of Trustees
Minutes of a Public Hearing, Budget Adoption, & Regular Board Meeting
Central Office Board Meeting Room
Tuesday, February 19, 2019**

The North Judson-San Pierre Board of School Trustees met for a Public Hearing, Budget Adoption and a Regular Session on Tuesday, February 19, 2019, at 5:30 P.M. in the Central Office Board Meeting Room. Board President Sheila Akers called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The Board members present were President Sheila Akers, Vice President Derrick Stalbaum, Secretary Jim Menis and members Gerald Bacon and Sandra Kersting Rudd. Others present were Superintendent Dr. Annette Zupin, Business Manager/Treasurer Guy Richie and Administrative Assistant Carly Durham. There were a few patrons in attendance for the meeting. A list of patrons that attended the meeting is on file at the Central Administrative Office.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing

Mrs. Akers opened the Public Hearing at 5:30 P.M. for the Bus Replacement Plan Amendment. Dr. Zupin explained the process of the public hearing and budget adoption. There was no public input. Mrs. Kersting Rudd made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing at 5:33 P.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bacon; motion carried 5-0.

Budget Adoption

Mrs. Akers opened the Budget Adoption meeting at 5:33 P.M.

Mr. Menis made a motion to adopt the 2019 Bus Replacement Plan as presented. Mr. Stalbaum seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Stalbaum made a motion to adjourn the Budget Adoption at 5:35 P.M., seconded by Mrs. Kersting Rudd; motion carried 5-0.

Regular Meeting

Mrs. Akers opened the Regular Meeting at 5:36 P.M.

Consent Items

Mrs. Kersting Rudd made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2019, Regular Board Meeting as corrected. Mr. Bacon seconded the motion. Mr. Stalbaum abstained; motion carried 4-0. Mr. Stalbaum made a motion to approve the personnel actions as presented. Mrs. Kersting Rudd seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0. Mr. Menis made a motion to approve the financial reports and claims as presented. Mr. Bacon seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

NAME	POSITION	RECOMMENDATION
Linda Howell	Special Ed. Aide	Recommended to approve
Noah Sanchez	Special Ed. Aide	Recommended to replace
Melanie Gardner	Library Media Specialist	Recommended to hire
Cheryl Mangini	HS Cafeteria	Recommended to hire
Keenan Scutchfield	Substitute for Maternity Leave	Recommended to hire
ECA POSITIONS		
Tyler Singleton	JV Boys Basketball Coach	Recommended to hire
Trevor Thomas	6 th Grade Boys Basketball Coach	Recommended to hire

Approval of Fund Balance Transfers

Dr. Zupin stated that approval of Fund Balance Transfers will allow us to move money in the major accounts so we do not have a negative balance and we do this every January. Mrs. Kersting Rudd made a motion to approve the fund balance transfers as presented. Mr. Stalbaum seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Service Agreement between NJ-SP School Corporation and Otis R. Bowen Center

Dr. Zupin reported that an agreement between the Corporation and the Bowen Center would step up our mental health services for students, building on the efforts of the school guidance counselors and the recently added social worker. Dr. Zupin stated now we have an opportunity to have another extension through the Bowen Center, called a Life Skills Coach. She also stated that it's becoming more and more apparent that good mental health is critical to a child's success at school, noting all we need to do is provide the Bowen Center the space for that and we have the space. Mr. Bacon made a motion to approve the service agreement between NJ-SP School Corporation and Otis R. Bowen Center. Mr. Menis seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Technology Upgrades and Enhancements

Dr. Zupin introduced upgrades to the school system which would include running new fiber everywhere, all new access points, new cabling and all new switches. By using e-rate we would be able to undertake a project that falls into the approved category where e-rate would pay 80% and NJ-SP would pay 20%. Stating that this would be important as we

move forward with device enhancements and digital learning. Five companies put in a bid and we opted to go with N2N, which had the lowest bid and scored highest in work we need done. Mr. Stalbaum made a motion to approve the technology upgrades and enhancements. Mrs. Kersting Rudd seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

North Judson-Wayne Township Public Library Appointment

Dr. Zupin reported at Nathan Origer’s recommendation Linda Schumacher be the appointed North Judson-Wayne Township Public Library appointee to serve an almost four year term effective immediately upon approval until December 31, 2022. Mr. Stalbaum made a motion to approve the North Judson-Wayne Township Public Library appointment. Mr. Menis seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Wednesday Family Nights

Dr. Zupin discussed Wednesday be designated as a Family Night with no practices or games to be scheduled after 5:30 p.m. and to be in place next year upon approval, with the concept being every family should have one night where they are not running around all over the place. We would take a tiered approach to this concept due to years of scheduling already in place.

eLearning

Dr. Zupin proposed that the four make-up days be scheduled as eLearning days to take place on Saturday, March 2; Saturday, April 13; and Good Friday, April 19. There would be one traditional day made up on Friday, May 24. Dr. Zupin noted that Saturday eLearning assignments will be posted by Friday afternoon/evening in order to allow an early start for those who might have plans and that the teachers will indicate means of communication over the weekend. The Saturday dates will take place before ILEARN testing which would be deemed beneficial to students. Mr. Bacon made a motion to approve the eLearning plan as stated. Mr. Stalbaum seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Zupin stated that NJ-SP leaders have spent the last 2 months developing a format to map our curriculum. They have also created a time table for next school year that allows teachers to collaborate in reviewing and analyzing data to drive instruction. This timeline will also provide time for teachers across grades and schools to discuss curriculum alignment. This plan will be shared/unveiled in March and April to the entire staff. It was noted that recent receipt of a DOE technology planning grant will assist us in answering the technology piece in opportunities presented from Audit.

Other

None.

Recognition of Visitors

No one spoke.

Adjournment

Mrs. Kersting Rudd made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 P.M. Mr. Bacon seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Sheila Akers, President

Derrick Stalbaum, Vice President

Jim Menis, Secretary

Gerald Bacon, Member

Sandra Kersting Rudd, Member