

**North Judson-San Pierre Board of School Trustees
Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting
Central Office Board Room
Tuesday, September 19, 2023**

The North Judson-San Pierre Board of School Trustees met for a Public Hearing and Regular Session on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in the Central Office Board Room. Board President Derrick Stalbaum called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. The Board members present were President Derrick Stalbaum, Vice President Cameron Stalbaum, Secretary Sandra Kersting Rudd, member Sheila Akers, and member Doug Wilde. Others present were Superintendent M. Kelly Shepherd and Business Manager/Treasurer Dalton Tunis. A copy of the list of patrons attending the meeting is on file at Central Office.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing

Mr. D. Stalbaum opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. for the Pre-Bargaining Hearing.

Mr. Gappa spoke about looking forward to working with everyone.

Mrs. Akers made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:03 P.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. C. Stalbaum; motion carried 5-0.

Regular Meeting

Mr. D. Stalbaum opened the regular session at 6:03 P.M.

Audience to Visitors

No one Spoke.

Consent Items

Mrs. Kersting-Rudd made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2023, Minutes of a Budget Adoption and Regular Meeting as presented. Mr. Wilde seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0. Mrs. Akers made a motion to approve the Personnel Recommendations as presented. Mrs. Kersting-Rudd seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0. Mr. C. Stalbaum made a motion to approve the financial reports and claims as presented. Mr. Wilde seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Approved personnel:

NAME	POSITION	RECOMMENDATION
Jamie Nielsen	Elementary Music Teacher	Recommended to Hire
Casey Robbins	Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional	Recommended to Hire
Krista Keen	Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional	Recommended to Hire
Danna Allen	Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional	Recommended to Hire
Katie Hoekman	1:1 Instructional Aide (Special Ed. -Knox Middle School)	Recommended to Hire
Tamatha Wright	Technology Assistant – High School	Recommended to Hire
Christian Barnhart	Night-time Custodian	Recommended to Hire
Leonora Taylor	Substitute Teacher	Recommended to Hire
Brianna Jakubielski	Substitute Teacher	Recommended to Hire
Andrew Wilcox	Sub Bus/MPV Driver	Recommended to Hire
Lukas Burkett	Student Maintenance Worker	Recommended to Hire
Ebert White	Student Maintenance Worker	Recommended to Hire
Brayden White	Student Maintenance Worker	Recommended to Hire
Mackenzie Peters	Student Cafeteria Worker	Recommended to Hire
Emma Radtke	Elementary Music Teacher	Recommended to Release

Gary Baxter	Technology Assistant – High School	Resignation
Olivia Brazauskas	Substitute Teacher	Resignation
ECA POSITIONS		
Yvette Nowak	Assistant Cheer Coach	Recommended to Hire
Brenna Crase	6 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Recommended to Hire
Kaden Shepherd	6 th Grade Boys Basketball Coach	Recommended to Hire
Leanne Kerley	Head Varsity Co-Ed Swim Coach	Recommended to Hire
David Rossa	Volunteer High School XC Coach	Recommended to Volunteer
Payton Roberts	Volunteer Varsity Football Coach	Recommended to Volunteer
Chrystal Ingram	Elementary SIC Co-Chair	Recommended to Hire
Tristan Sanchez	Elementary STAT Team Member	Recommended to Hire
Madison Fingerhut	Varsity Swim Coach	Resignation

Approval of TAG Policy

Mrs. Kersting-Rudd made a motion to approve of the TAG Policy as presented. Mrs. Akers seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Approval of the Open Swim/Adult Exercise Proposal

Mrs. Kersting-Rudd made a motion to approve the Open Swim/Adult Exercise Proposal. Mr. C. Stalbaum seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Technology Update

Technology Director Billy Russell updated that the Tech Department has been busy replacing iPADS and distributing them to the students. They prepared the middle school over the summer, moving TVs into every room and they have been upgrading cameras. The firewall protection will be changing next month to better benefit students. All iPADS have been updated and will be ready to go for testing which begins the third week of August as well as the PSATs which will open October 2.

Safety Update

School Resource Officer Chris Kisela updated that new signage has been added to the schools; room numbers, names and emergency evacuation signs have been installed. During Fall Break 14 environmental sensors will be installed at the High School and cameras will be upgraded to have proactive capabilities. Grant money will be used to continue safety updates.

E Sports

Mr. Shepherd shared that we have an excited group of kids involved with E Sports and the numbers are growing as well as sponsors who have come to us with proposals and some great fundraising opportunities.

Budget Update

Mr. Tunis shared that the budget adoption meeting was September 18, 2023, at 4:30 P.M. and was adopted by County Council with no issues and it is being submitted to the DLGF now.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Shepherd reported on the Professional Development-Future Focused Learning Series, sharing that a group of teachers attended a conference in Merrillville for a full day after which they were asked to present to the rest of the staff all the information which they obtained at the conference. He reported that three superintendents, the current JESSE director, and one chosen future director for next year met in Knox. He stated that special education is in good shape and things are looking positive for next year. He shared that we are now viewed as a Pre-K through 6th Grade configuration and parent teacher conferences have returned with everyone in favor of getting back to in person meetings.

Other

Mr. Shepherd shared that the school corporation was presented with an award for outstanding commitment to provide a safe environment for students and staff per Astra, our school corporation's insurance.

Recognition of Visitors

No one spoke.

Adjournment

Mrs. Kersting-Rudd made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 P.M. Mr. C. Stalbaum seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0.

Derrick Stalbaum, President

Cameron Stalbaum, Vice President

Sandra Kersting Rudd, Secretary

Sheila Akers, Member

Doug Wilde, Member