Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, March 17, 1998



The Board of School Trustees of the North Knox School Corporation conducted its regular meeting at the Administration Building which is located on Highway 159, Bicknell, Indiana, on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. The following members of the board were present:

Mr. Gary Byrer, President Mr. Jerry, Rode, Vice-President Mr. Rowe Sargent, Secretary Mrs. Joyce Villwock, Member

Approval of Minutes of February 18, and March 10, 1998, Board Meeting - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Rode, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the minutes of the February 18 and March 10, 1998, board meetings.

Financial Statement - Mr. Byrer read the financial statement for the month of February.

Approval of Claims and Authorization for Payment - Payroll Numbers 13 & 14 and Claim Numbers 1773-1879. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Rode, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to approve and authorize payment of payroll numbers 13 and 14 and claim numbers 1773-1879.

Adoption of Budget - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mrs. Villwock, seconded by Mr. Rode, the board voted and the motion carried to adopt the 1998-99 budget.

Adoption of Capital Projects Plan - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Sargent, seconded by Mrs. Villwock, the board voted and the motion carried to adopt the 1998-99 Capital Projects Plan.

Adoption of Bus Replacement Plan - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mrs. Villwock, seconded by Mr. Rode, the board voted and the motion carried to adopt the 1998-99 Bus Replacement Plan.

Awarding of Bid on School Bus - Superintendent Ringo stated he received bids from Nix Bus Sales, Kerlin Bus Sales and Mitchell Motors. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Rode, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to award the bid on a school bus to Mitchell Motors in the amount of \$45,163.00 less \$4,000.00 for our trade-in.

Awarding of Bid on High School Backboards - Superintendent Ringo stated we received one bid on the backboards which were removed from the high school. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mrs. Villwock, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to award the bid on the high school backboards to the Vincennes Free Methodist Church in the amount of \$800.00.

Request for Approval of Change in Date for Junior High Trip to Chicago - Superintendent Ringo stated buses were not available on the original date of April 17 and was, therefore, requesting to change the date of the trip to April 3. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Rode, seconded by Mrs. Villwock, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the change in the date of the junior high trip to Chicago from April 17 to April 3, 1998.

Request for Approval of 1998-99 School Calendar - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Rode, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the school calendar for the 1998-99 school year.

Request for Approval of Grant Application from Cinergy - Superintendent Ringo stated that Ms. Miner has requested permission to apply for a \$2,000.00 grant from Cinergy to relandscape the courtyard at West Elementary. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Sargent, seconded by Mrs. Villwock, the board voted and the motion carried to authorize Ms. Miner to apply for the \$2,000.00 grant from Cinergy for landscaping at West Elementary.

Resignation of Food Services Director - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Rode, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to accept the resignation of Ina Cardinal as Food Services Director effective June 30, 1998.

Employment of Assistant Junior High Football Coach - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Rode, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to employ Kenny Bilskie as Assistant Junior High Football Coach.

Discussion of Reduction in Force - Superintendent Ringo stated it was necessary at this time to start riffing procedures for one teacher and one day for another teacher due to the uncertainty of the enrollment for the 1998-99 school year.

Discussion of School Improvement - Superintendent Ringo requested permission to employ Robert Boyd of Indiana State University to conduct a study on our current teaching procedures and curriculum. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mr. Sargent, seconded by Mrs. Villwock, the board voted and the motion carried to authorize the superintendent to employ Robert Boyd to conduct a study of the school corporation's teaching procedures and curriculum.

Request to Implement Reading Recovery for 1998-99 School Year - Superintendent Ringo request permission to have two have two teachers trained to implement the Reading Recovery program in our school corporation. He continued by stating the teachers could receive the training from a teacher trained within the Vincennes Community School Corporation and a grant will be applied for from the State to help offset the cost of the training. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Ringo and a motion of Mrs. Villwock, seconded by Mr. Rode, the board voted and the motion carried to authorize the superintendent to have two teachers trained in the Reading Recovery Program.

Building Level Reports - Each principal gave a brief report as to the activities occurring within their respective building.

Next Meeting Date - Mr. Byrer stated the next regular meeting would be held on April 21, 1998.

Adjournment - Mr. Byrer adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m., with an announcement that an executive session would immediately follow.

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