

Minutes of Meeting **Tuesday, April 17, 2001**



The Board of School Trustees of the North Knox School Corporation conducted its regular meeting at the North Knox School Corporation Administration Building which is located on Highway 159, Bicknell, Indiana, on Tuesday, April 17, 2001, at 7:30 p.m. The following members of the board were present:

Mr. Mike Held, President
Mr. Gary Byrer, Vice-President
Mr. Frank Hall, Secretary
Mr. Rowe Sargent, Member
Mr. Dave Anderson, Member

Showcase - Joe Adams, Director of the Alternative School, introduced Judy Blaydes, teacher of students attending the alternative program. She reviewed the qualifications for students enrolling in the program and the requirements for course work. Mr. Adams explained the course, goals of the program and the hopeful outcomes.

Business of Citizens Present - Mr. Paul Anderson asked members of the board about security in the schools. He also asked the Board not to be too hasty with their decision concerning employing a basketball coach.

Troy Stubbs spoke about his concern that his child missed being on the honor roll at Central Elementary due to the grade she was given by the substitute teacher in penmanship. He also spoke about concerns regarding supervision on the playground and stated his child is being picked on by another child but she is the one being punished. Superintendent Lavery stated he would look into the matter.

Minutes of March 13 & 27 Board Meetings and April 10, 2001, Executive Session - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Byrer, seconded by Mr. Hall, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the minutes of the March 13 and 27 board meetings and April 10, 2001, executive session.

Financial Statement - Mr. Held read the financial report for the month of March.

Claims - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to approve and authorize payment of the claims as presented.

Renewal of Teacher Contracts - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Sargent, seconded by Mr. Byrer, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the renewal of teacher contracts as presented, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Non-Renewal of Temporary Teaching Contract - Superintendent Lavery stated Jennifer Verdun was employed on a temporary basis during the 2000-01 school year to fill in for Cathy Strange while she is on a medical leave of absence. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the board voted and the motion carried to non-renew the teaching contract of Jennifer Verdun. Superintendent Lavery noted that should Ms. Strange not return to her teaching duties for the 2001-02 school year, Ms. Verdun will be welcome to apply for the position.

Resignation of High School Principal - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Sargent, seconded by Mr. Byrer, the board voted and the motion carried to accept the resignation of Joan

Keller as Principal of
North Knox High School.

Appointment of High School Principal - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to appoint Tim Grove as Principal of North Knox High School effective with the 2001-02 school year.

Resignation of High School Teacher/Coach - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Byrer, the board voted and the motion carried to accept the resignation of Mike Halliwell as English teacher and varsity basketball coach.

Appointment of Coach - Superintendent Lavery recommended the employment of Mark Dillon as Varsity Basketball Coach. Frank Hall made a motion to table the superintendent's recommendation. Mr. Hall's motion was seconded by Mr. Sargent. The board voted and the motion failed 3-2. Mr. Anderson made a motion to approve the superintendent's motion which was seconded by Mr. Byrer. The board voted and the motion carried 4-1 to appoint Mark Dillon as Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach.

Reduction in Force - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to reduce 1 aides position at West Elementary, 1 aides position at East and transfer one teacher from East to the High School, 3 aides positions at Central, 2 aides positions at the High School and not filling one teaching position at the High School.

Volunteer Assistant Varsity Girls Track Coach - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Byrer, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to approve Jarrett Ford as a volunteer assistant varsity girls track coach.

Volunteer Assistant Junior High Track Coach - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Hall, the board voted and the motion carried to approve Dwight Holbrook as a volunteer assistant junior high track coach.

Head Custodian at West - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Byrer, the board voted and the motion carried to employ Stephen Horst as Head Custodian at West Elementary.

Junior High Young Artist Competition - Superintendent Lavery stated this was the first time the junior high had participated in this competition and we had 5 out of 6 awards presented to our students. The art work is on display at Vincennes University.

High School Student Handbook - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Byrer, seconded by Mr. Hall, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the high school student handbook as presented with the noted changes. The handbook was approved with the attendance section open to minor changes.

Refinance Lease Rental/Adoption of Resolution - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Byrer, seconded by Mr. Hall, the board voted and the motion carried to appoint Hillyard Lyons as underwriter and Barnes and Thornburg as Bond Council for refinancing of the lease rental.

Food Service - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Sargent, seconded by Mr. Hall, the board voted and the motion carried to have all food service personnel receiving insurance benefits work 4 weeks at the Summer Lunch program and to increase lunch prices by 15 cents and increasing breakfast prices to \$1.00.

School Bus Driver Manual - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Sargent, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the School Bus Driver

Manual.

Driver's Education - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Sargent, seconded by Mr. Byrer, the board voted and the motion carried to approve the Drivers' Education program with the fee of \$215.00 and to employ 6 teachers.

High School Art Field Trip to Chicago - Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Lavery and a motion of Mr. Anderson seconded by Mr. Hall, the board voted and the motion carried to authorize the high school art class to take a field trip to Chicago.

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

Next Meeting Date - Mr. Held stated the next regular meeting would be held on May 15, 2001, at 7:30 p.m.

Adjournment - Mr. Held adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m., with an announcement that an executive session would immediately follow.

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
NORTH KNOX SCHOOL CORPORATION

Memorandum of Executive Session
Tuesday, April 17, 2001

The Board of School Trustees of the North Knox School Corporation conducted an executive session at the Administration Building which is located on Highway 159, Bicknell, Indiana, on Tuesday, April 17, 2001 at 9:45 p.m. The following members of the board were present:

Mr. Mike Held, President
Mr. Gary Byrer, Vice-President
Mr. Frank Hall, Secretary
Mr. Rowe Sargent, Member
Mr. Dave Anderson, Member

This executive session was held to discuss the job performance evaluation of individual employees in accordance with Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6 (a) (8) and adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

The Board of School Trustees did not discuss any subject matter in this executive session other than the subject matter above set forth which was specified in the public notice of this executive session.

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