

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

December 15, 2022
Jasonville, Indiana

The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of Shakamak met in executive session at 5:30 p.m., followed by regular session at 6:00 p.m., in the Shakamak Jr/Sr. High School, with the following people present: Robert Wise, James Gadberry, Jodi Barton, David Smith, and John Gambill, Board Members; Jeff Gambill, Superintendent; Jennifer Barcus, Corporation Treasurer; Travis Turpen and Shane Reese, Building Administrators; and Cortney Givens, School Attorney.

Regular Session

The public meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., by Board President Robert Wise, with Jodi Barton leading the pledge of allegiance.

Plaque Presentation

A plaque was presented to John Gambill for his 24.5 years of service as a Board Member.

Approve - Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2022 regular board meeting, made by James Gadberry and seconded by David Smith, was unanimously approved.

Approve - Claims

A motion to approve accounts payable claims 22805 through 22887, payroll direct deposit advices 52453 through 52796, and Payroll Checks 50776-50791, made by David Smith and seconded by Jodi Barton was unanimously approved.

Patron Comments

Morgan Sparks presented a check from the Home for the Holidays event. This donation will be used to help with student lunch accounts.

Approve – T. Stevens

James Gadberry asked about sponsorships and supplies, as well as who the archery club will be competing against. Superintendent Gambill stated that the club supplies are paid for by a grant. He noted that the participants will first learn safety and archery skills, and then eventually compete against other schools. A motion to approve Timothy Stevens as archery club volunteer sponsor, made by James Gadberry and seconded by John Gambill, was unanimously approved.

Approve – K. Williams

A motion to approve Karen Williams as Instructional Aide, made by David Smith and seconded by John Gambill, was unanimously approved.

Approve – G. Landry

A motion to approve Greg Landry as Jr. High Girls Basketball Volunteer Assistant, made by James Gadberry and seconded by Jodi Barton, was unanimously approved.

Approve – D. Collins

A motion to approve Dylan Collins as Varsity Baseball Coach, made by Jodi Barton and seconded by James Gadberry, was unanimously approved.

Approve – January 2023 Board Meeting

A motion to approve holding the regular board meeting on January 12, 2023 due to deadline for reorganization of board and Board of Finance meeting, made by David Smith and seconded by John Gambill, was unanimously approved.

Approve – Year-End Transactions

A motion to authorize the Corporation Treasurer to pay outstanding bills and make year-end appropriation transfers, as needed, for the purpose of closing out the 2022 calendar year, made by David Smith and seconded by James Gadberry, was unanimously approved.

Approve – Teacher Appreciation Grant

David Smith asked if the evaluation was completed by last year's administration or the current administration. Superintendent Gambill stated that the stipends will be given based off the evaluations completed by last year's administrators. A motion to approve the Teacher Appreciation Grant, made by Jodi Barton and seconded by James Gadberry, was unanimously approved.

Superintendent's Report

- Thanked Morgan Sparks and Aaron McCommas for the music and band programs
- Thanked counselors for work with food pantry
- Congratulated Dylan Collins
- Wished good luck to Tim Stevens and the archery club
- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holidays

Principals' Reports

Travis Turpen and Shane Reese reported on current news and activities in the Elementary and Jr/Sr. High.

Other Board Business

Board Members welcomed Braionna Barber to the board; thanked Morgan Sparks for the generous donation, as well as her work putting together the Christmas program; thanked John Gambill for many years of service on the board; congratulated Dylan Collins; congratulated Alex Harris for being chosen as WTWO's Teacher of the Month; and expressed sympathy to the Wise family.

There being no further business, the public meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.; motion made by John Gambill and seconded by David Smith; approval was unanimous.

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be on Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

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