

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
VIGO COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
686 WABASH AVENUE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019
6:00 P.M.

*Approved R.E.H.
2/21/19*

MINUTES

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Vigo County School Corporation was held at the Vigo County School Corporation Administration Building, 686 Wabash Avenue, Terre Haute, Indiana on Monday, February 11, 2019.

The following Board Members were present: Mr. Paul Lockhart, Mrs. Jackie Lower, Dr. Susan Powers, Ms. Rosemarie Scott, Mrs. Joni Wise, Mr. Melvin Burks and Mr. Joseph Irwin III.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Scott.

Board Spotlight #1

Mr. Doug Dillion, Curriculum Coordinator, shared that the Noon Optimist Club has been in operation since 1934. Mr. Dillion introduced Mr. Tommy McGregor, President of the Noon Optimist Club. Mr. McGregor shared that some of the organizations they sponsor are Clothe-A-Child, League of Terre Haute, Terre Haute Women's Club, and the New and Emerging Automation Technology (NEAT) program for the VCSC. He also shared some of the fundraisers that they have to raise money to assist others. These include an auction in December and a fish fry in April. Mr. McGregor credited the key to success with Clothe-A-Child is the community, because the teachers gather the information needed for Noon Optimist to meet the needs of the students.

Mr. McGregor presented a check to Mr. Dillion in the amount of \$5,000.00 as a donation to the NEAT Experience program. This program provides hands-on opportunities for students and others to interact with technology and to build awareness of Vigo County's career pathways curriculum.

Mrs. Lower presented a certificate of appreciation to Mr. McGregor for all that the Noon Optimist does to assist Vigo County School Corporation.

Board Spotlight #2

Ms. Janet Brosmer, Curriculum Coordinator, introduced Ms. Brittany Mackey, Youth Services Librarian with the Vigo County Public Library. Together they highlighted the Battle of the Books Competition and the Indiana Library Federation Young Hoosier Book Award. Ms. Brosmer and Ms. Mackey demonstrated how the process works for the competition. Ms. Brosmer also extended a special thank you to the Vigo County Education Foundation for sponsoring the bus transportation for all participants and the Vigo County Public Library for providing class sets of the Young Hoosier Books to our schools. The Battle of the Books competition for the

elementary schools will take place on April 12 at Meadows Elementary School, and the middle school competition will take place on April 18 at Ivy Tech.

High School Reports

Owyn Adams, a junior at McLean High School, shared how the students are learning how to build modules with the littleBits program. Owyn also demonstrated how his remote control car works. He thanked everyone for their time.

Terre Haute South Vigo students Haley Sakbun, Apsara Sakbun, Lauren Kirchner, Kaelin Christjansen, and Joshua Howell, shared that they are the state finalists in girls swimming and wrestling. They also shared that it has been a great experience, and they thanked Ms. Emily Morris and Mr. Dave Cook for their support.

Natalie Mauk, a senior at West Vigo High School, shared that West Vigo had 20 individuals participate in the Polar Plunge and all of the money was raised through fundraisers. She also shared that during homecoming week, WVHS had spirit day competitions that involved hallway decorations. Natalie mentioned that West Vigo High School had a state champion wrestler and 12 qualified for regionals. She also mentioned that the latest activity involves saving bottle caps for North Central memorial benches in honor of three students. Natalie thanked the Board and the Superintendent for allowing her to speak at the meeting.

Mr. John Williams, band director at Terre Haute North Vigo High School, introduced students: Collin Richardson, Aiden Blunk, and Michael Johnson. They demonstrated a portion of what was played during their performances at solo and ensemble. Each student earned gold and the right to perform at the state solo and ensemble competition. Collin played the trumpet, Aiden played the cello, and Michael played the violin. Mr. Williams shared that THN has 170 students in Choir, 24 members in the Orchestra program, and 80 students in the Band. He also shared that the spring concert is May 2-4.

Mrs. Lower thanked the students for sharing what they are doing in the schools.

First Call for Citizen Comments

No comments were received.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Burks moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Mr. Irwin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

1. Minutes – Regular Meeting – January 28, 2019
2. Finance Reports
 - a. December Financial Report
 - b. Extra-Curricular Activities Financial Report June 1 - December 31, 2018
 - c. In-Services/Committee Activities
 - d. Quantity Purchasing for Bidding 2019
 - e. Stipends

- f. Donation/Permission to Purchase Equipment
- g. Fundraiser Authorization

Personnel Report and Professional Leave Requests

Dr. Haworth requested that the Board approve the Personnel Report.

The Personnel Report and Professional Leave Requests were correct as presented.

Mr. Irwin moved for approval. Dr. Powers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Grants

Permission was requested for approval of the following grants:

- a. Title I
- b. Title IV, Part A

Mr. Lockhart moved for approval. Ms. Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Second Call for Citizen Comments

Caitlyn Cantrell shared that House Bill 1253 was recently passed and this would allow teachers to be armed during school hours. She asked that school officials would “keep their eyes” on House Bill 1253 which she opposes.

Mrs. Lower thanked Caitlyn for her comments.

Information from Board Members and Superintendent Haworth

Mr. Lockhart shared that he attended the Building Trades meeting last week and the house that was built by the students is on the market and all inquiries should be sent to Mr. Doug Dillion. Ms. Scott asked the location of the home. The home is located at 29th and Farrington in Terre Haute, IN.

Dr. Powers shared that she and Mr. Irwin attended the ISBA Training Session and the Calendar Committee meeting. Dr. Powers also shared that she attended the second meeting for the Strategic Planning on Curriculum and Instruction.

Mrs. Lower shared that the Finance Committee had a brief introductory meeting and they will meet again on the Friday before the next Board meeting.

Dr. Haworth welcomed our friends from the West Terre Haute community who are seeking permission to use West Vigo Elementary School property for soccer and football. Dr. Haworth shared that on Wednesday, February 13, he and Board members will be taking the Student Council presidents and vice presidents on a trip to Indianapolis to tour the Statehouse and meet with legislators.

Mrs. Lower shared that the State of the Schools at West Vigo Elementary School Conference Center was well attended and that there were over 300 in attendance. Mrs. Lower and Mrs. Wise shared that it was good to see the community in attendance. Dr. Haworth acknowledged and recognized his team for all their work.

Adjournment 6:57 P.M.

Future Meetings

Monday, – February 25, 2019 6:00 P.M. – Administration Building

Monday, - March 11, 2019 6:00 P.M. – Administration Building

Approved:

<u>Jackie Lower</u>	President
<u>Joseph H. Smith</u>	Vice President
<u>Samuel Haworth</u>	Secretary
<u>Mrs. Wise</u>	Member
<u>Susan R. P.</u>	Member
<u>Michael Burk</u>	Member
<u>Bernard Smith</u>	Member