

**Executive Session
Northeastern Wayne School Corporation
Board of School Trustees, April 23, 2014; 5:30 p.m.**

Present: Mr. Hester, Mr. Dingwerth, Mr. Thurston, and Mr. Webster.

Also present were Mrs. Blessing and Mr. Chidester.

The general substance of the matter discussed in Executive Session was to receive information about and interview prospective employees. IC: 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)5

This is to certify that no items were discussed in executive session other than those listed in the public notice.

Mr. Hester

Mr. Webster

Mr. Dingwerth

Mr. Thurston

**Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees, April 23, 2014; 7:00 p.m.
Northeastern Wayne School Corporation**

Mr. Hester called the meeting to order with Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. Dingwerth opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Mr. Hester, Mr. Dingwerth, Mr. Thurston, and Mr. Webster were present.
Mrs. Blessing, Mr. Chidester, Mr. Angel, Mr. Pritchard, Mrs. Sonsini and Mrs. Webb were also present.
Others: Mr. Green, Mrs. Vogelgesang, Mrs. Van Pelt, Mrs. Johnting, Mrs. A Breitenbach, students, parents and patrons.

Minutes: The Board approved the minutes of the April 9, 2014, regular Board Meeting.
Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Thurston. Vote 4-0

Claims: The Board approved claims #1409 through #1466.
Motion Mr. Dingwerth. Second Mr. Webster.

Vote 4-0

**Administrative
Reports:**

Student Recognition – Mr. Angel introduced the winners of the recent Talent Show at Northeastern Jr/Sr High School: Hannah Jackson, Will Cox, Aaron Manning, Weston Cox, Evan Helton, and Andrew Schuler, Jacob Rankin and Jessica Fletcher. Each winner was presented with a certificate of achievement from Mrs. Blessing and congratulated by each of the Board members.

Mr. Angel introduced Miss Karoline Coryea as the Northeastern Jr/Sr High School, Student of the Month for March 2014. Mr. Angel shared a presentation about Karoline, her interests and activities. She was presented with a plaque by Mrs. Blessing and congratulated by each of the Board members.

Mr. Angel then introduced Miss Trystin Smith as the Northeastern Jr/Sr High School Student of the Month for April 2014. Mr. Angel also spoke to the board about Trystin's interests and activities. Mrs. Blessing presented her with a plaque and she was congratulated by each Board member.

Elementary Media Fair sponsors were present to recognize three young students' I-Movie project. Mrs. Angelina Breitenbach, Mrs. Kristi Johnting, and Mrs. Laura Van Pelt introduced second grade students Ava Coddington, Ella Coddington, and Lainey Moore shared their media fair project about the Hilltop Ice Cream Shop. Each of the students received a certificate and were congratulated by Mrs. Blessing and the Board.

Three Drama Club members, Katelynn Krick, Sarah Schwartzel, and Breeanna York were present to invite Board members to their spring production this coming weekend. They also shared a power point presentation about the condition of the stage and curtains.

Superintendent – Mrs. Blessing informed the Board that the closing on the Bond Refunding will take place on April 30th. Northeastern Wayne School Corporation will have \$1.1 million for summer projects. The Common Wage Committee will meet April 28th at 10:00 am. The committee includes Northeastern community members Ben Austerman, David Sheets, and Sam Hubbell, a county appointee. Mr. Burge and Mr. Chidester will also be in attendance.

This summer Northeastern will focus on the elementary school roof. There will be some structural change to the skylight. Materials can be purchased through a co-operative which would leave advertising for bids for a contractor. Mrs. Blessing will have more information in May.

Mrs. Blessing expressed appreciation for Mr. Chidester's work over many months of work in preparation for refinancing the bond.

Time has also been spent preparing for I-Step with practice tests on the iPads. Testing begins next Monday. A phone upgrade is in the works for this summer.

We had the Alternative School site visit from the DOE. The representative spent some time with Mrs. Blessing, Mr. Metzger, and students. Everything was in order and we will hopefully receive the results soon.

Mrs. Blessing informed the Board that we will begin to address policy. There are some changes coming from the state legislature.

Mrs. Blessing visited the professional development session at the Jr/Sr High School this afternoon.

Jr/Sr High School Principal – Mr. Angel shared that the Jr/Sr High School staff celebrated today (with treats from Dairy Queen) the fact that the "Focus List" has been reduced significantly since beginning the new SRT format. In the professional development session today, the staff discussed school improvement goals, strategic planning ideas and a timeline. The faculty also talked about the site visit next April. This is an external review by Advanced Ed. A representative from Advanced Ed has also been selected.

The Drama Club performance is scheduled this Friday and Saturday. FFA Horse Judging team won their district and qualified for state competition. Tomorrow the 7th Grade Orientation is scheduled with a different format developed by the 7th Grade team. It will give families a snapshot of seventh grade.

Elementary School Principal – There was a great turnout for the Bingo For Books event recently. Seventy-five people attended. Mr. Pritchard expressed appreciation for Mrs. Tyree and those who helped with the "Formal Lunch" last Thursday. Kindergarten Round-Up was yesterday. Sixty-four students enrolled.

Friday morning, the primary spelling bee is scheduled. The PTO Carnival is Friday evening from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. The parent/teacher group also sponsors school skates. A sci-fi theme is planned for the next skate.

The fourth grade begins I-Step testing on Monday.

**Unfinished
Business:** None

**New
Business:**

Personnel

Mrs. Blessing recommended the following:

Amy Atkinson – adjust part time nurse hours to fifteen hours per week.

Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Thurston Vote 4-0

Lori Vogelgesang hire as summer enrichment teacher for summer 2014

Carrie Ingalls hire as summer enrichment teacher for summer 2014

Darlene Govin hire as summer enrichment teacher for summer 2014

Motion Mr. Dingwerth. Second Mr. Thurston. Vote 4-0

Amy Wiley hire as Grade 3 summer school teacher for summer 2014

Amy Tudor hire as Grade 2 summer school teacher for summer 2014

Motion Mr. Dingwerth. Second Mr. Thurston. Vote 4-0

Eric Green hire as Assistant Superintendent beginning July 1, 2014.

Motion Mr. Dingwerth. Second Mr. Thurston. Vote 4-0

Fundraiser
Request

The Board approved a request from the Football team to sell apparel and a request from the elementary and the high school to host the Harlem Wizards vs. the NWS Court Jesters basketball game, proceeds benefitting NHS Athletics, NES PTO and NES Student Activities. Both requests were approved by the Board.

Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Dingwerth. Vote 4-0

Overnight
Field Trips

The Board approved the following overnight trips:

Boys Basketball Camp in Fort Wayne, June 26 – June 29

Football Camp in Angola, Indiana, June 19 – June 21

Both requests were approved by the Board.

Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Thurston Vote 4-0

