

Regular Meeting
Board of School Trustees, July 22, 2015; 7:00 p.m.
Northeastern Wayne School Corporation

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

Present: Mr. Hester, Mr. Dingwerth, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Austerman were present.
Mrs. Blessing, Mr. Chidester, Mr. Pritchard, Mr. Angel, Mrs. Sonsini,
and Mrs. Webb were also present.

Others: Ms. Wetzel, Mrs. Robertson, students, parents, and patrons.

Minutes: The Board approved the minutes of the June 24, 2015, Regular Board Meeting.
Motion Mr. Dingwerth. Second Mr. Webster. Vote 4-0

The Board approved the minutes of the July 13, 2015, Special Board Meeting.
Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Austerman. Vote 4-0

Claims: The Board approved claims #3646 through #3725
Motion Mr. Austerman. Second Mr. Dingwerth. Vote 4-0

**Community
Comments:**

Mr. Warvel asked a question regarding Board voting procedures.

**Administrative
Reports:**

Superintendent – Mrs. Blessing updated the Board on the following:

- Powell Paving Company has begun work on the new driveway.
- Whitewater Construction is putting up walls in the building. The flooring in the new weight and fitness room will be installed on Saturday.
- Wires are being installed for the new bell, public address, and security system.
- New student enrollment and a help center for returning students will be on Monday and Tuesday, July 27th and July 28th. This will be located in the LGI room and media center of the middle school/ high school.

- Next week Mrs. Blessing and building administrators will attend an “assessment fair” in Greencastle to learn more about the options available for testing at Northeastern. The state will fund the model chosen for Northeastern.
- All Northeastern administrators will meet at central office on Friday.
- Wednesday, August 5th, is the Back-to-School Breakfast for all Northeastern staff, 8:00 a.m. in the High School/Middle School cafeteria.

High School Principal – Mr. Angel informed the Board:

- Mr. Angel thanked Ms. Wetzel for helping the guidance department this summer and also updating the webpages for high school and middle school.
- The middle school and high school staff combined today for a retreat at the Innovation Center in downtown Richmond. Matt Miller, author of “Ditch That Textbook” spoke to the group. Mr. Miller is an Indiana teacher. The middle school and high school will meet separately tomorrow. Mr. Angel outlined what has been planned for a mentor program including: an online course, meeting together, involving more people, building relationships. It will help new teachers become more acclimated. One of the books in the syllabus, A Repair Kit for Grading, has been purchased for staff members.
- Several teachers and administrators attended the Tech Expo in Richmond last week.

Middle School Principal – Mrs. Sonsini informed the Board:

- June 27th was Night at the Ballpark at the Richmond Roosters ballgame celebrating outstanding attendance. She thanked Mr. Austerman for coming.
- Mrs. Coddington and Ms. Williams attended a Holocaust workshop on July 8th to use in Social Studies class.
- RCS Tech Expo was very powerful learning environment.
- Thanked Jason Whitney at the Innovation Center for allowing NWS to use their facility.
- A new program is in the works for sixth grade students called “Ag in the Classroom”. Farm Bureau is sponsoring a team each week to work with Mrs. Dill’s sixth grade students.
- A sixth grade Open House will be Wednesday, August 5th from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Elementary School Principal – Mr. Pritchard informed the Board:

- Custodial staff is working very hard getting the building ready. New ceiling tile, lighting, painting, ovens.
- The Elementary retreat is Thursday and Friday of this week. Christy McCullough, from Smekens, will be working with the elementary staff. Her topic is on writing and the new assessments. Representatives from PIVOT will be coming on Friday to speak on curriculum mapping for reading.

Unfinished

Business: None

New

Business:

Tuition Transfer The Board approved Savannah Lester, grade 10, as a tuition transfer student for the 2015-2016 school year.
Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Dingwerth. Vote 4-0

Personnel Mrs. Blessing recommended the following personnel:

Allison Turner – The Board voted to accept the resignation of Mrs. Allison Turner as high school science teacher effective at the end of 2014-2015 school year.
Motion Mr. Austerman. Second Mr. Webster. Vote 4-0

Jessica Rinard – The Board voted to hire Ms. Jessica Rinard as high school science teacher for the 2015-2016 school year.
Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Austerman. Vote 4-0

Theresa Scruggs – The Board voted to accept the resignation of Mrs. Theresa Scruggs as high school business teacher effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.
Motion Mr. Webster. Second Mr. Dingwerth. Vote 4-0

Julia Coryea – The Board voted to accepted the resignation of Mrs. Julie Coryea as academic team coach.
Motion Mr. Dingwerth. Second Mr. Austerman. Vote 4-0

Cindy Robertson – The Board voted to accept the resignation of Mrs. Cindy Robertson as Drama Club Coach and Stage Production Manager after 30 years.

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

Megan Moreland – The Board voted to hire Mrs. Megan Moreland as Assistant Cross Country Coach for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

Mrs. Rebecca Tyree – The Board voted to hire Mrs. Rebecca Tyree as food service director for 2015-2016 school year.

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

Rachel Bales – The Board voted to hire Mrs. Rachel Bales as middle school secretary for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

Suzanne Shannon – The Board voted to hire Mrs. Suzanne Shannon as high school secretary for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

Teresa Carter – The Board voted to hire Mrs. Teresa Carter as corporation nurse for the 2015-2016 school year.

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

Derrick McNeely – The Board approved Mr. Derrick McNeely as a volunteer assistant girls varsity golf coach for 2015-2016 regular season.

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

Donation

The Board voted to approve a donation from Georgia Direct in the amount of \$1750 for the football team to sponsor the Seven On Seven Shootout.

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

The Board voted to grant the authority to hire to Mrs. Blessing and Mr. Hester, for any positions that might be vacated between now and the next Board meeting for the 2015-2016 school year. The Board would then ratify any new hires at the next Board meeting.

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

Employee

Comments: Mr. Angel thanked Mrs. Robertson for her thirty years leading the Drama Club. Ms. Wetzel expressed excitement for start of the new school year and expressed appreciation for such a good atmosphere during pre-bargaining meetings.

Board

Comments: Mr. Webster commended Mrs. Robertson for her dedication to Drama Club. Mr. Austerman commented that he had been in one of her plays. Mr. Hester also commented that the conversations have been very good and very cordial during pre-bargaining meetings.

Adjournment

7:45 p.m. On a motion by Mr. Dingwerth and second by Mr. Austerman, the Board voted to adjourn. Vote 4-0

Mr. Hester

Mr. Webster

Mr. Dingwerth

Mr. Austerman