

NORTH PUTNAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
FEBRUARY 20, 2020 MINUTES

The members of the Board of School Trustees of the North Putnam Community School Corporation held a regular session meeting on Thursday, February 20, 2020, 7:00 P.M. at the North Putnam Community School Corporation, Administration Office, 300 North Washington Street, Bainbridge, Indiana.

Board members present: Dustin Osborn
 Ron Spencer
 Joanie Knapp
 Darrell Wiatt
 Amber Greene

Board members absent: Travis Lambermont
 Mark Hoke

Superintendent present: Nicole Singer

Attorney present: Kent Minnette

I. PUBLIC MEETING

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance:

Ron Spencer called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Dustin Osborn, Ron Spencer, Joanie Knapp, Darrell Wiatt, and Amber Greene.

B. Approval of Agenda:

There were no changes to the agenda.

C. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

D. Building Project Report:

Matt Griffey, Shambaugh, reported they are on Phase 4 of 6. Phase 5 will begin during Spring Break. The counselor office demo is next week. The softball press box is almost complete.

II. CELEBRATING SUCCESS

A. Scott Miller, Principal, Middle School (Honoree: Dan Fouts):

Dan Fouts, Teacher at North Putnam Middle School, is the recipient of the Excellence in Teaching Award for February.

Dan Fouts graduated from Indiana State University. He is in his 28th year teaching and has been employed at North Putnam Schools for 27 years. He enjoys spending time with family, sports, gardening, fishing, and walking. He is very valuable to the middle school. Congratulations to Mr. Fouts. We are very proud of him.

III. CONSENT AGENDA (All Board Approvals for Personnel are Pending an Expanded Criminal History Check and completion of appropriate new hire paperwork)

- A. Approval of Minutes-January 13, 2020, Regular Session Board Minutes**
- B. Approval of Claims for Payment and Payrolls**
- C. Donation Report**
- D. Field Trip Report**
- E. Fundraiser Report**
- F. Personnel Report**

Ron Spencer motioned to approve the above consent agenda as presented. Joanie Knapp seconded the motion and it carried with a 4 - 1 vote (Dustin Osborn nay).

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Fuel Recommendation:

Terry Tippin noted we did not receive any bids for fuel. We were able to save a little last year by buying open market. We will buy open market this year. No action was needed for this recommendation.

B. Approval of Summer School Programs for Bainbridge Elementary, Roachdale Elementary, North Putnam Middle School, and North Putnam High School:

We will provide transportation. Summer school will run from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and elementary and middle school will be in session for 10 days and high school will be 20 days.

Joanie Knapp motioned to approve the above summer school programs. Darrell Wiatt seconded the motion and it carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

C. Approval of STEM Camp for High Ability Students in Grades 3 – 8:

The STEM Camp is a summer enrichment program for students in grades 3 – 8. This is a one week camp and will run from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Dustin Osborn motioned to approve the above STEM Camp as presented. Joanie Knapp seconded the motion and it carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

D. Approval of Course Description Guide for High School (2020-2021):

The Course Description Guide provides students with the programs they can choose to take for the 2020-2021 school year.

Ron Spencer motioned to approve the above course description as presented. Joanie Knapp seconded the motion and it carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

E. Approval of Boys' Volleyball Club at North Putnam High School:

A group of boys has expressed interest in forming a Volleyball Club. It would be a sanctioned group and they have 13 boys interested. This would require a physical to play. There would be a club sponsor in charge of the boys and scheduling games beginning next week. We will provide transportation and volunteer coaches.

Darrell Wiatt motioned to approve the above high school Boys' Volleyball Club as presented. Joanie Knapp seconded the motion and it carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

V. REPORTS

A. Superintendent:

Dr. Singer provided items to the Board, which included Cohort 3 information and post cards that will be mailed out next week to everyone in the district showcasing our school corporation. Dr. Singer and administrators were servers at the United Way Dinner. The art work for the middle school is displayed in the conference room this month.

B. Treasurer:

The State Board of Accounts report was released.

C. Director of Operations:

Terry Tippin commented that some of the teachers are being moved due to the construction. He noted that all registered CDL drivers have to be a member of the transportation clearing house. He reported that the county commissioners are looking for county wide safety technology for the area schools.

D. Administrators:

Beth Waterman commented that they are busy and writing standard assessments. She attended project-based learning at Southport yesterday. The Roachdale Family Fun Night will be held next week and admission is free.

Rodney Simpson commented that their recent fundraiser was very successful. They had their Title I breakfast. His IPLI certification is complete.

Scott Miller noted they had their Valentine’s Day Dance last week. Kroger donated items for the dance. The 6th grade was state runner-up at the Indiana Academic Science Bowl. Thanks to Mr. Couch and the students for their hard work.

Brandon Wagler noted that Cameron Hankins made it to the Regional in wrestling. We are very proud of him. Sheri Roach was awarded a \$1,000 donation from Hoosier Heartland State Bank to be used for Holocaust expenses. The FFA Parley Team made it to state. They are preparing for ISTEP testing.

VI. BOARD COMMENTS:

Joanie Knapp commented there is a phone-a-thon this week for scholarship donations. Ron Spencer commented we have the best staff and students in the county. He appreciates the mentor and administrators. Dustin Osborn asked where we are dollar wise on the building construction. We had unexpected items of old steam lines, asbestos, and electrical. Darrell Wiatt is thrilled with the changes in the corporation and thinks things are going really well. He is proud to be a Cougar.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Joanie Knapp moved for adjournment of the meeting. Amber Greene seconded the motion and it carried by a 5 – 0 vote.

Ron Spencer, President

Travis Lambermont, Member

Dustin Osborn, Vice-President

Mark Hoke, Member

Darrell Wiatt, Secretary

Joanie Knapp, Member

Amber Greene, Member