

NORTHWESTERN SCHOOL CORPORATION

NOVEMBER 10, 2016, 7:00 P.M.
NORTHWESTERN HIGH LIBRARY
3431 N 400 W, KOKOMO IN 46901

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on November 10, 2016. All board members except Jonathan Underwood were in attendance, as well as Ryan Snoddy, Blake Betzner, Jamie Shepherd-Bryant, and Michele Short, and 32 interested parties. Vice-President Ted Merrell called the meeting to order and Steve Jones opened with prayer. The minutes of the October 13, 2016 meeting were presented and the Board unanimously approved the minutes on a motion made by Todd Moser and seconded by Bryan Alexander. The agenda was unanimously approved on a motion made by Bryan Alexander and second by Steve Jones.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

The following students were recognized as November Students of the Month:

Howard Elem School – **Colin Feazel**, son of Thomas and Jo Ellen Feazel. Colin is in Mrs. Davis' sixth-grade class.

Northwestern Elementary – **Brady Correll**, son of Ryan and Karie Correll. Brady is a fifth-grade student in Mrs. Russell's class.

Northwestern Middle School- **Aiden Kennedy**, son of Jeremy and Michelle Kennedy. Aiden is a seventh grader.

Northwestern High School - **Paige Schulte**, daughter of David and Beth Schulte. Paige is a junior at the high school.

TOP TIGER

Mrs. Amanda Blunt is November's Top Tiger. Mrs. Blunt is a language arts teacher at Northwestern High School. Congratulations Amanda!

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. **Parent-Teacher Conference Reports:** Principals submitted reports for participation in Fall Parent-Teacher conferences. Parent participation continues to be strong, and we believe, contributes greatly to the success of our students.

B. **Treasurer's Report:**

II. CLAIMS AND FINANCIAL

Steve Jones made the motion to approve claims in the amount of Claim vouchers in the amount of \$640,225.31 and 2 payroll claim listings totaling \$650,529.10. Bryan Alexander seconded and motion passed unanimously.

III. PERSONNEL

Bryan Alexander made the motion to approve personnel recommendations. Todd Moser seconded and the Board unanimously approved the following:

A. Accept the resignation of Jeanne Alexander as instructional assistant, effective November 7, 2016.

B. Approve coaching assignments as recommended by Mr. Armstrong, and per Appendix B to include: **Cody Yeakel & Camron Cossell**– MS Boys Basketball, **Matt Woods & Kylan Dubbels**, **Jessica Guffey** – Boys Swimming Asst, **Sydney Zeck** - 8th Girls Asst Basketball, **China Antoine** – 8th Girls Basketball and 7th Girls Basketball Asst.

- C. Grant the request of **Autumn Brady** for unpaid medical leave from Oct 24 to approx. Dec. 5, 2016. Also, grant the request of **Donna Ortmann** for unpaid medical leave from Nov.30-Dec 21, 2016.
- D. Approve the following individuals as substitute teachers for the 2016-17 school: Tiffany Fulkerson, Ross Rexing

IV. CONSIDER ACTION TO ACCEPT A DONATION(s)

The high school received several donations, including: \$100 from Bill and Janet Lovelace for the band dept. Also, the Northwestern Boosters donated \$1000 to the Choir Dept, \$3700 to Athletics and \$500 to the Yearbook. Bryan Alexander made the motion to graciously accept all donations presented. The board unanimously approved following a second from Todd Moser.

V. CONSIDER ACTION WITH REGARD TO AN OUT-OF-STATE AND/OR OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUEST(s)

Mr. Leazenby-Bruce requested permission to take students to the Indiana Thespian State Conference at IU-South Bend on January 20-22, 2017. Also, Mr. Snyder requested permission to take the band to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida March 23-28, 2017. They will perform at the Magic Kingdom on March 25th. Both trip requests were unanimously approved following a motion from Todd Moser and second from Bryan Alexander.

VI. CONSIDER ACTION TO APPROVE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Building Principals submitted their school improvement plans for the Board's approval. Bryan Alexander made the motion to approve all plans as presented. Todd Moser seconded and motion passed unanimously.

VII. CONSIDER ACTION TO APPROVE A REQUEST TO CONDUCT A SPORTS CAMP OR CLINIC

Cheer Coach Ashley Miller submitted a request for Varsity Cheerleaders to conduct a cheer clinic on Saturday, December 17, 2016. Participants will perform at the varsity basketball game that evening. The request was unanimously approved on a motion made by Steve Jones and seconded by Todd Moser.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

XII. BOARD COMMENTS - Steve Jones congratulated the Marching Band for placing 8th in the State Marching competition. He also commented that the Jazz Band will be performing for We Care on Dec. 18th.

Mr. Snoddy recognized 8 students named to the All State Honor Choir.

Steve Jones thanked Dan Armstrong for setting up the tour of athletic facilities, citing it to be educational and beneficial.

There being no further business, Todd Moser made a motion to adjourn. Steve Jones seconded the motion and the board adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

President

Vice President

Secretary

Next Meeting – Dec. 8, 2016 – Northwestern High School Library – 7:00 P.M.