

Northern Rush County Schools

Regular Board Meeting

June 20, 2018

Present: Nansi Custer, President; Deanna Disney, Vice President; Shannon Dawson, Secretary; Krissi Williams, CEO; Shannon New, Principal; Rosemary Noah; Patrick Newkirk

Absent: Marcia Schwering, Treasurer

- I. Nansi Custer called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence. Minutes from the regular May 16 Board meeting were read and approved on a voice vote. Motion by Deanna Disney/second by Nansi Custer.
- II. CEO Report
 1. The motion to accept the claims and payroll report was made by Deanna Disney/seconded by Shannon Dawson; passed on voice vote. Board members received copies of balance sheets and profit/loss information.
 2. Krissi Williams direct updates
 - The Part B monies for SpEd/young students was received in the amount of \$2,341.
 - MCA also received verbal approval for the CEP program, making all meals for all students free for four years beginning with the 2018-19 school year. We'll be informing our families at the Rush County Fair.
 - Regarding petty cash, Krissi requests that the office (Principal New) be allowed to keep \$300 on hand for small school expenses. Motion for approval was made by Shannon Dawson/seconded by Deanna Disney; passed on voice vote.
 - Krissi requested that employee reimbursement be made from office petty cash in amounts of \$50 or less following pre-approval, with written validation of reimbursement, and provided that funds are available. Shannon Dawson so moved/seconded by Deanna Disney; passed on voice vote.
 - Based on information from Krissi, Shannon Dawson moved to drop the pursuit of zeroing charges following late notification by the State of Indiana on information on our Free and Reduced families. Seconded by Deanna Disney; passed on voice vote.
 - Regarding grant applications, Krissi says we applied for two PreK grants and received one for \$71,000 (over one year) which we may not be able to use. This grant was designated to fund a second PreK room. We did not receive the larger grant for which we applied because our cited use was "outside the scope of the grant." We will be reapplying for a second go at a \$300,000 X 3 years (total \$900,000 grant) in July.
 - Krissi reports that, like many area school systems, we are having difficulty finding bus drivers. One new bus driver is currently available but must have insurance and therefore be employed by NRCS as opposed to Schwering service. Hours would need to be added for employee to reach insurability status. Having a corporate bus driver could also save

the corporation money on Field Experiences using the corporation bus. Determination of hire needs to be made by 6/22/18. Deanna Disney made a motion to authorize Nansi Custer, as Board President, to negotiate with the party and make the hire. Seconded by Shannon Dawson; passed on voice vote.

III. Principal Report

1. Mrs. Shannon New reports that current enrollment at MCA K-7 is 210. PreK is 19.
2. Mrs. New needs Board review of the Student Handbook by June 27, Staff Handbook by July 31.
3. The Knightstown Jubilee Days information distribution was successful.
4. The Rush County Fair booth is staffed; aides will need to be paid for participation.

IV. Custodian Report

1. Patrick Newkirk reports that the water fountains are in and being updated as needed.
2. Foot pedals are being installed at the staff sink in the kitchen.
3. Playground refurbishment continues.
4. Stair handrails are sanded and ready for stain.
5. The majority of the classrooms have been cleaned; floors are underway.
6. The school roof ventilators need new rotating caps.
7. Pressure washing of concrete surfaces is also underway.
8. Nansi asked that the former Girls Locker Room be cleaned for LaDonna's office.

V. Cafeteria Director Report

1. Rosemary reports that our Commodities application was approved, which will result in great food savings.
2. Rosemary's hip surgery is next week.

VI. Old Business – none

VII. New Business – Introduction of Brinn Hall as a new second grade teacher

VIII. Board member comments

1. Deanna noted that our aides are taking the ParaPro exam (or must have 30 hours of college credit); these efforts must be complete by the beginning of the first semester.
2. Nansi shared reminders about preparation for the fair.

Public comments – none

Nansi Custer adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2018.

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