

Northern Rush County Schools

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2023 6:00 p.m.

Mays Community Academy

Present: Nansi Custer, President; Deanna Disney, Vice President; Marcia Schwering, Treasurer; Shannon Dawson, Secretary; Jason Dwenger, Member-at-Large; Trish Mastin, Lil' Tigers; Donita Davis, Tiger Time; Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services; Steve Schwering, Transportation Contractor; Kathy Foreman, Transportation; Greg Richardson, Facilities; Angela Richardson; Quinn Leisure, Family and Community Engagement; Alicia Weatherly, teacher; Anita McDaniel, cafeteria services; RaJean Pitts, Cafeteria services

Absent: Principal Lauren Yoke; Amy Hufford, Health Services Director; Jeff Light, SRO; Kevin Davis, Indiana Charters

- I. President Nansi Custer called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
- II. Jason Dwenger moved to accept the Minutes of the May 2023 regular meeting, seconded by Marcia Schwering; passed on voice vote
- III. Acceptance of Transactions List/Approval of Claims & Payroll for April. Motion to approve by Deanna Disney, seconded by Jason Dwenger; passed on voice vote
- IV. Principal's Report – Lauren Yoke (filed in her absence)
 - a. Team for Cognia re-accreditation assembled
 - b. ILEARN results will be finalized June 30
 - c. IREAD scores improved greatly after summer retests; will share after IDOE release
 - d. NWEA, IREAD, ILEARN will be shared when complete
 - e. Dyslexia testing through NWEA will need to be ordered by June 30
- V. Directors reports
 - a. Trish Mastin – Lil' Tigers PreK
 - Should know if we receive the PreK-3rd grade grant for which we applied by July 1
 - The state is also offering vouchers for PreK afterschool care
 - b. Donita Davis – Tiger Time
 - Working through final outstanding balances
 - c. Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services
 - Packing last year's files
 - Training begins in August
 - Will do food safety training certification renewal this fall; Nansi adds that we need another food service staffer certified in food safety
 - d. Kathy Foreman, Transportation
 - All good for the summer
 - e. Greg Richardson, Facilities
 - We had a surprise fire inspection after school was released for the year; we were noted for five infractions. Inspector will return in August to make sure they're corrected

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- We will have a documented fire drill within ten days of the beginning of the small semester; working with Amy Hufford
 - Will have multiple binders for all drills, one will be kept in the vault
 - All but one classroom is cleaned and ready for teacher setup
 - Kitchen cleaning is finished
 - The new PreK bathroom construction is on the final drywall
 - Nansi says the COVID contract for filter cleaning has run its course; Greg will resume checking all filters once a semester
- f. Quinn Leisure, FACE
- We are set/scheduled for the Rush Co Fair, Spiceland Freedom Days and Carthage Freedom Fest. Nansi will provide school polo shirts from Greg and Quinn
 - School summer pool party is scheduled for July 13
 - Turned in about \$1,000 from Dairy Queen dine-to-donate fundraisers
 - Nansi says we will be proactive getting in front of the Diamond Pet Food people and other businesses moving into the county; as a Rush Co Chamber of Commerce member, the Chamber assists from their end
 - Shannon Dawson recommends checking with INDOT regarding a sign for SR3
- VI. Unfinished Business
- a. Solar eclipse 2024 – We will adjust our calendar via IDOE recommendations, although we have already determined to be out of typical classroom instruction
 - b. Paid Time Off recommendation committee has not met yet; the board asks for recommendations by the July board meeting
- VII. New Business
- a. Motion by Deanna Disney to complete admission application to Ball State University, seconded by Jason Dwenger; passed on voice vote
- VIII. Public Comment
- Anita McDaniel asked about BSU; Nansi said we are remaining current and keeping the building open with students in seats. Our long-term plan is to keep the schools operational for years to come, and the Board continues to work toward that security.
- IX. Adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Nansi Curtis 6-26-23

Shannon Dawson 6/26/23

Jason Dwenger 6/26/23

Deanna Disney 6/26/23

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