

Northern Rush County Schools

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2024 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; Lauren Yoke, Principal; Kevin Davis, Indiana Charters; Kathy Foreman, Transportation Director; Donita Davis, Tiger Time; Alicia Weatherly, teacher; Brittany Fry, Administrative Assistant; Francie Patterson, teacher; Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services

Absent: Amy Hufford, Health Services; Trish Mastin, Lil' Tigers; Jeff Light, SRO; Greg Richardson, Facilities

- I. President Nansi Custer called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
- II. Deanna Disney moved to accept the Minutes of the August 21, 2024 regular meeting, seconded by Marcia Schwering; passed on voice vote
- III. Acceptance of Transactions List/Approval of Claims & Payroll- motion by Deanna Disney, seconded by Shannon Dawson; passed on voice vote
- IV. Principal's report – Lauren Yoke
 - a. Test security training was today
 - b. October 7 starts new i-LEARN pilot test
 - c. Bright Arrow test on Tuesday, new messaging system; staff learns new system next week. Brittany told families about new text source number
 - d. Book Fair underway
 - e. Breakfast Buddies is this week
 - f. Cub Council is back – applications for representation are due next week for 5th/6th
 - g. Marcia: Do we know what happened to our August DQ fundraised money? Brittany has reached out but no contact
 - h. Next DQ night is October 29; Paige will be in attendance
 - i. Enrollment is 102
 - j. Carthage Freedom Days had a good turnout; one family expressed interest. Several of our students stopped by. Alicia will request a better spot for 2025
 - k. Nansi asked about fire drills; there have been none
 - l. Lauren says we're still working to figure out Moodle/IDOE health & safety
- V. Director Reports
 - a. Donita Davis, Tiger Time
 - One account remains in arrears and is no longer paying back. Family will have to pay back in full before being allowed back
 - Averaging 16 kids; Tuesdays and Thursdays include basketball teams and their siblings. Working to schedule more coverage on those days
 - b. Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services
 - Shannon Isaacs is doing great
 - Approved by USDA for commodities
 - Working with Alicia on a fundraising dinner/bake sale for November

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- c. Kathy Foreman, Transportation – reminder from NC that registration/inspection for Bus 7 is coming up
- d. Trish Mastin, Lil' Tigers via email
 - 17 students currently enrolled; another pending voucher approval
 - Ready for State visit
 - Getting a new PTQ4 yard sign
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - a. Marcia paid Math/Spell Bowl fees
 - b. Truancy/Absenteeism/Cell phone legislation – Kevin will send a clarifying email
 - c. Monthly reports to Grace College sometimes require different documents; Lauren will email a new request to Nansi
 - d. Motion to approve revised Student Handbook by Marcia Schwering, seconded by Shannon Dawson; passed on voice vote (Staff handbook will be approved at a later date)
 - e. We sold 509 mums for the fundraiser
- VII. New Business
 - a. Nansi: Handbook language needs to be changed to read “disruptive” instead of “disrespectful”
 - b. Alicia: Turkey dinner fundraiser for Saturday November 16
 - Class themes for auction baskets
 - Bake sale
 - Thinking \$12 or \$15 per ticket
 - c. Francie: Her Den’s event is Pumpkinpalooza, painting donated pumpkins in October
 - d. Alicia: Den Movie Night will be in December, a drop-off event so parents may Christmas shop
 - e. Other Den events to come
 - f. Alicia: MCA helping at two Willkie Days 5(4) in 50 stops: Gowdy Church and Sampler on 9/21
 - g. Nansi: Board needs to hold an ^{work} executive session/consult with Kevin 9/24 5pm MCA _{use}
- VIII. Public comment – none
- IX. Adjourned 7:05 p.m.

Maria Schwering 10-16-24
 Shannon Dawson 10/16/24
 Jason Dunge 10/16/24
 Monsi Costa 10/16/24
 Deanna Diney 10/16/24