

Northern Rush County Schools

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2020 6:00 p.m.

Mays Community Academy

Present: Nansi Custer, President; Deanna Disney, Vice President; Marcia Schwering, Treasurer; Shannon Dawson, Secretary; Shannon New, Principal; Debbie O'Neal, COS; Kevin Davis, Indiana Charters; Kathy Foreman, Transportation; Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services; Amy Hufford, Health Services; Annie Fairchild, Custodial Services; Donita Davis, Tiger Time; Steve Schwering; Jason Dwenger

- I. Meeting called to order by President Nansi Custer at 6:05 p.m.
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance; Moment of Silence
 - b. Approval of July 2020 minutes. Motion by Marcia, second by Nansi; passed on voice vote (abstention by Deanna, who was not in attendance)
- II. Kevin Davis
 - a. Review of Financial Statements/Acceptance of Claims and Payroll. Motion by Shannon Dawson, second by Deanna Disney; passed on voice vote
 - b. Kevin reports that Indiana Charters is standardizing our financial report by providing a 3-month rolling average of expenditures. The 3-month snapshot will be presented at every monthly meeting.
- III. Directors' reports:
 - a. Rosemary Noah – students are receiving all the provided meals.
 - b. Kathy Foreman
 - transportation going well; families are happy.
 - Steve Schwering added we are currently running six routes; could use two more drivers. Debbie O'Neal will post on Facebook.
 - c. Mrs. New
 - School is open and receiving educational supplies daily
 - Teachers are adapting to brick & mortar and e-learning, although it is difficult. MCA is working with ESI on improving our internet speeds.
 - Enrollment is 190, with 19 e-learners.
 - Locations for four outdoor classrooms have been staked on the property. Shelter structures have been purchased.
 - Family nutrition: packets are coming from the Rushville Food Pantry.
 - Mrs. New continues to work with teachers to prepare for the chance that school may shift back to total e-learning.
 - Storage space may allow for meal distribution as well. Expenses may increase if we have the ability to stockpile some foods.
 - Parents are doing a great job of not coming into the building; the kids are adapting well.
 - The new Middle School rotation is working well.
 - d. Debbie O'Neal

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- New hire – Andrew Turpen as a substitute/floater. Motion to approve by Deanna, second by Marcia; passed on voice vote.
 - Working through the new insurance plan with United Health Care.
 - Updating the employee files.
 - Working with Kevin on the new payroll system.
 - Potentially purchasing a new camera for hi-res photos to be used on the website and social media.
- e. Annie Fairchild
- Searching for hand sanitizer and/or refills.
 - The batteries are running out on the new motion-sensor paper towel dispensers.
 - Found a Boss textured floor cleaner for the Gator Guard surfaces in a catalog.
 - Supplies need more Pine Sol.
- f. Amy Hufford
- Assisting in classrooms to prevent exposure of healthy students receiving medications to potentially sick children.
 - Need a bench for sitting outside.
 - Finalizing immunization records.
 - UV air cleaners have been dispersed.
 - Need storage solutions or a Goodwill donation.
 - Requests a door for her room.
- g. Donita Davis
- Tiger Time is averaging 15 children.
 - COVID-related plans are being implemented.
 - Receiving no complaints over new increased fees.
- IV. Unfinished business – none
- V. New business
- a. Approval of bus transportation contract with Schwering Trucking. Motion by Deanna, second by Shannon Dawson; passed by voice vote (abstention by Marcia Schwering).
- b. Updated NRCS Employee COVID Absence Policy.
- New policy mandates lab confirmation of virus, limited to 14 quarantined work days in the 2020-2021 school year.
 - Motion to approve by Deanna, seconded by Marcia; passed on voice vote.
- VI. Board comments
- Nansi thanked everyone for their patience as we work through the restart.
 - Marcia announced that the school was given a donation of \$200 by an area family.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

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