

Northern Rush County Schools

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2023 6:00 p.m.

Mays Community Academy

Present: Nansi Custer, President; Deanna Disney, Vice President (by phone, then in person); Marcia Schwering, Treasurer; Shannon Dawson, Secretary; Jason Dwenger, Member-at-Large; Lauren Yoke, Principal; Kevin Davis, Indiana Charters; Donita Davis, Tiger Time; Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services; Kathy Foreman, Transportation; Steve Schwering, Transportation Contractor; Greg Richardson, Facilities; Angela Richardson; Lori Johnson, Aide; Alicia Weatherly, teacher; Homer Weatherly, future Tiger

Absent: Amy Hufford, Health Services; Quinn Leisure, FACE; Jeff Light, SRO; Trish Mastin, Lil' Tigers

- I. President Nansi Custer called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
- II. Jason Dwenger moved to accept the Minutes of the July 19, 2023 regular meeting, seconded by Marcia Schwering; passed on roll call vote
- III. Acceptance of Transactions List/Approval of Claims & Payroll. Motion to approve by Jason Dwenger, seconded by Shannon Dawson; passed on roll call vote
- IV. Principal's Report – Lauren Yoke
 - a. Last Wednesday was our first student day; things are going well
 - b. Most students have visited our new Science Lab
 - c. Sent off for our curriculum purchases, some have arrived
 - d. Held a meeting on dyslexia screening; will happen September 11
 - e. NWEA testing begins on Monday
 - f. On track with Cognia, licensing complete
 - g. Will begin classroom observations in September
 - h. Current enrollment is 113
 - i. PowerSchool is up to date
 - j. CPI Training is not yet on the schedule; Nansi would like to know options by next week
 - k. Will have to approve updated handbooks the next (September) meeting
- V. Directors' Reports
 - a. Trish Mastin, Lil' Tigers (please attach her emailed report)
 - b. Kathy Foreman, Transportation - first week has been pretty smooth
 - c. Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services –
 - Things are going well, although the staff is sorry they don't have as much time to interact with students
 - Thanks to Greg for all his care in taking care of things
 - d. Greg Richardson, Facilities – still working on the problematic freezer
 - e. Donita Davis, Tiger Time –
 - Averaging 9-12 students per day
 - Accounts are settled
 - Music room is working great
 - Lauren: one family is arriving at 6:50 a.m. She's personally been on hand
 - f. Quinn Leisure, FACE – (please attach her report)

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- VI. Unfinished business
 - a. Contracts are almost ready via Kevin and Marcia; Marcia will start with employees next week
 - b. After a health insurance survey, we have moved from UHC to Anthem (Elevance). Our agent found a better price which should be being reflected in September pays
 - c. Nansi, Lauren, Lisa Issacs, and Alicia Weatherly attended the Grace College (next authorizer) Leadership Summit. The Grace team was very welcoming and held an outstanding meeting for their schools. Because the school letter grading system is being retired, a new system will allow more schools to be eligible for grants. Because of this MCA needs to stress high attendance rates with families. Alicia Weatherly came away feeling better about changes being made to educational standards
- VII. New Business
 - a. Angela Richardson – In August, Pampered Chef scores double the fundraising money. She's asked to do packets for students and staff and to offer rewards. She'll have to close the sales link by 9/7 to achieve the doubled donations. Any commission goes to prizes or straight to NRCS. The link will be shareable. Any party booked automatically scores \$3 for NRCS
 - b. Lauren – Trane donated teacher supplies. Jeff and Greg donated for Prodigy music curriculum
- VIII. Public comment – none
- IX. Board comment – none
- X. Adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Yvonne Custer 9-20-23
 Maria Schwing 9-20-23
 Jason Dwyer 9-20-23
 Shannon Dawson, Secy 9/20/23