## **Northern Rush County Schools**

## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

## August 20, 2025 6:00 p.m.

## **Mays Community Academy**

Present: Nansi Custer, President; Marcia Schwering, Treasurer; Shannon Dawson, Secretary; Jason Dwenger, Member-at-Large; Alicia Weatherly, HOS; Lisa Isaacs, Asst. HOS; Brittany Fry, Administration; Donita Davis, Lil' Tigers Preschool & Tiger Time; Kevin Davis, Indiana Charters; Shannon Isaacs, Cafeteria Services; Steve Schwering

Absent: Deanna Disney, Vice President; Kathy Foreman, Transportation Services; Amy Hufford, Health Services

- President Nansi Custer called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
- II. Marcia Schwering moved to accept the Minutes of the July 16, 2025 regular meeting, seconded by Jason Dwenger; passed on voice vote
- III. Acceptance of Transactions List/Approval of Claims & Payroll for July: motion by Jason Dwenger, second by Shannon Dawson; passed on voice vote
- IV. Head of School report Alicia Weatherly
  - a. Enrollment, K-6: 100; PreK: 11 (9 fulltime, 2 parttime)
  - b. Started our mum fundraiser in August; Nansi supports ongoing Deadheads Nursery gift certificate sales
  - c. Pampered Chef fundraiser starts this week
  - d. Working out the schedules for the ongoing moving parts of coverage
  - e. Diagnostics are complete for Title and SpEd
  - f. Fourth graders will go on a field experience to Caldwell Acres in September
  - g. The Rushville Historical Society has extended an invitation to Fourth Grade also; mileage and food provided
  - h. Sept 6 is Carthage Freedom Days, trying to get a Main St spot or near Kids Zone
  - i. September 8 is Picture Day, looking at other potential school photo companies
  - j. Book Fair and Breakfast Buddies, September 15-19
  - k. 5 in 50 Bike Ride during RushFest Sept 20; MCA will have reps at The Sampler stop; Alicia would like to have a presence in the RushFest parade if there are enough volunteers
  - The Rush Co Community Foundation is working with Alicia to determine three PreK students to fund for full or parttime payment in the absence of vouchers. Five students are receiving some voucher support already.
  - m. Nansi: our budget is structured around 105 students, encouraging all to help find those additional five
- V. Assistant Head of School Lisa Isaacs: the new upper grades schedule is working great so far, three instructors teaching specialties across grades 4-6
- VI. Directors' Reports
  - a. Shannon Isaacs, Cafeteria Services
    - Working out the cafeteria kinks in the new year

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- Considering potential surveys to see about introducing new foods a couple of times a month
- The hood was inspected this week
- b. Donita Davis, PreK and Tiger Time
  - PreK: working to keep the bathroom under control and operating smoothly
  - TT: going well, everyone is learning the processes
- c. Transportation by Nansi
  - Working to have enough of our buses running well to operate the routes
  - Parents are being understanding and helpful as we work through bugs
  - Bus inspections are September 11
- d. Nansi on other systems alarm and water systems needed upgrades
- VII. Unfinished Business
  - a. Alicia is still working on handbook details
  - b. Brittany says some of our forms need updating
  - c. Nansi says we need updated emergency contact forms for all staff
- VIII. New Business
  - a. Nansi: we need to start the early work on F/R lunch for families next year
  - b. Brittany will monitor employee meal expenses; Nansi recommends a 10-meal limit at which time accounts must be settled
- IX. Public comment Shannon Dawson would like to know if our digital sign in the front yard can have the old messages changed; Brittany says she's trying but can't get through to it.

  Nansi says to call Cain Signs for help
- X. Adjourned at 7:00 p.m.