

**Northern Rush County Schools**

**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**October 19, 2022 6:00 p.m.**

**Mays Community Academy**

Present: Nansi Custer, President; Deanna Disney, Vice President (by phone); Marcia Schwering, Treasurer; Shannon Dawson, Secretary; Jason Dwenger, Facilities Contractor; Lauren Yoke, Principal; Donita Davis, Tiger Time; Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria Services; Steve Schwering, Transportation Contractor; Lori Johnson, Instructional Aide; Kathy Foreman, Transportation Director; Kevin Davis, Indiana Charters

Absent: Trish Mastin, Lil' Tigers; Annie Fairchild, Custodial Services; Amy Hufford, Health Services; Quinn Leisure, FACE

- I. President Nansi Custer called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
- II. Marcia Schwering moved to accept the Minutes of the September meeting, seconded by Nansi Custer; passed on roll call voice vote
- III. Acceptance of Financials/Approval of Claims & Payroll. Motion to approve by Shannon Dawson, seconded by Deanna Disney; passed on roll call voice vote
- IV. Principal's Report – Lauren Yoke
  - a. Ball State University reps visited regarding the charter renewal. They will return with an action plan and to meet with a focus group in November.
  - b. Parent/Teacher conferences are Thursday and Friday; 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> rescheduling after Alicia Weatherly's return from maternity leave.
  - c. Jr High teachers are asking if there's a way to allow students to take Chrome Books home for homework. After discussion, the Board will take the request under advisement, review the tech contracts and make a recommendation for second semester.
  - d. The Veteran's Day program will be held on November 11.
  - e. Monster Bash is scheduled for November 4 from 6p-8p; all families invited.
  - f. Red Ribbon Week includes dress-up days.
  - g. Enrollment is 123; SPED is 50%.
  - h. Ball State offered Yoke and Sorrell free professional development as part of their program to close statewide gaps in SPED.
  - i. MCA is signed up for a table at Rushville's Halloween on Main event.
- V. Directors' Reports
  - a. Donita Davis, Tiger Time – going well, between 5-15 students daily
  - b. Kathy Foreman, Transportation
    - New discipline structure still being worked through; paperwork filed
    - Bus inspection is next week
  - c. Rosemary Noah, Cafeteria
    - Substitutes are covering for workers out sick
    - USDA changes are being worked through
  - d. Trish Mastin, Lil' Tigers – emailed report (please attach)

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- VI. Unfinished Business – Our Letter of Intent to Renew our charter has been sent to authorizer Ball State University. Principal Yoke and Kevin Davis worked hard to prepare for the site visit. NRCS has several weeks to decide on any changes.
- VII. New Business
- a. Motion to renew our contract with vendor Connie Gilbert for low-vision services. Motion by Shannon Dawson, second by Marcia Schwering. Passed in roll call vote.
  - b. Motion to enter into an agreement with CSC Financials, selling them our receivables for this school year. President and Treasurer will manage the agreement. Motion by Deanna Disney, seconded by Shannon. Passed on roll call vote.
  - c. Motion to accept new hires:
    - Nova Hackett as instructional aide
    - Misty Hooker, substitute teacher
    - Motion by Shannon, second by Marcia. Passed on roll call vote.
  - d. Motion to accept resignations:
    - Makayla Howard
    - Lacey Powell
    - Motion by Marcia, second by Deanna. Passed on roll call vote.
- VIII. Public comments – a reminder that students need to dress appropriately warmly for the colder weather.
- IX. Adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

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Shannon Dawson  
Marcia Schwering  
Deanna Disney