

**MISSISSINEWA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
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MINUTES  
June 6, 2022**

**114. Call to Order**

The tenth meeting of the Mississinewa Board of School Trustees for 2022 was called to order by President Gaskin on June 6, 2022 at 6:30 PM in the Frederick W. Hengstler Administration Building. Susan Miller was absent.

**115. Prayer and Pledge**

Mr. Cunningham opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**116. Minutes**

Mr. Cunningham moved and Mr. Richards seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting for May 16, 2022 as well as the Executive Session Certification.

All ayes, the motion carried.

**117. Frontline Software Presentation**

Mr. Jeffries and Mr. Quaderer provided a brief presentation to the Board regarding the Frontline software now being used for personnel, i.e. attendance, job openings and the ability to track paperwork for all levels of employees improving efficiency and accuracy.

**118. Conference Requests**

Mr. Herrera moved and Mr. Crouch seconded the motion to approve the following conference requests.

- a. Ryan Armes to attend the AP-TIPIN Summer Institute on July 12-15, 2022 in Indianapolis at a cost of \$1220.06 to be paid from the High School Travel/AP Account.
- b. Kathy Daniels to attend the AP Project Based Learning Series at the University of Tennessee on June 13-16, 2022 at a cost of \$1457.61 to be paid from the High School Travel/AP Account.
- c. Ben Huntington to attend the AP-TIPIN Summer Institute on July 12-15, 2022 in Indianapolis at no cost to the corporation.
- d. Hannah Kirby to virtually attend the AP-TIPIN Summer Institute on June 6-10, 2022 at no cost to the corporation.
- e. Hanna Kikendall to attend the AP-TIPIN Summer Institute on July 12-15, 2022 in Indianapolis at a cost of \$1376.46 to be paid from the High School Travel/AP Account.
- f. Steve Jeffries, Danielle Seber, Toni Johanning, Kerri Wortinger, Lisa Dickason, Amanda Varner, Michelle Haynes, Thomas Cheney, Joanna Schnepp, Dara Young, Stacey Marshall, Brian Wortinger, Andrea Sexton and Rob Rodman to attend PowerSchool Users Group Training on June 15 in Noblesville at a total cost of \$1,750 to be paid from the Technology Travel Account.

All ayes, the motion carried.

**119. Personnel**

Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Herrera seconded the motion to approve the following personnel items.

- a. Debra Corn has retired as a full-time library assistant at Mississinewa High School effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

- b. Kathy Walters has retired as the choral director at Mississinewa High School and RJ Baskett Middle School effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- c. Andrew Daniels has resigned as a paraprofessional at Mississinewa High School effective May 13, 2022.
- d. Abbey Niemi has resigned as a life skills teacher at RJ Baskett Middle School effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- e. Darin Sylte has resigned as an 8<sup>th</sup> grade football coach at RJ Baskett Middle School effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- f. Garric Tighe has resigned as a custodian at RJ Baskett Middle School effective May 27, 2022.
- g. Jessica Miller has resigned as a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Westview Elementary effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- h. Maddie Bovard has resigned as a paraprofessional at Northview Elementary effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.
- i. Laura Otto to be hired as a kindergarten teacher at Westview Elementary effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- j. Victoria Dittmar to be hired as a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Westview Elementary effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- k. Sophie Clark to be hired as the RJ Baskett Middle School Agricultural teacher and interventionist with Indian Academy effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- l. Corey Shields to be hired as the RJ Baskett Middle School cross country coach effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- m. Ashley Rayn to be hired as the RJ Baskett Middle School cheer coach effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- n. Catherine Dalton to be hired as the RJ Baskett Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> grade cheer coach effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- o. Jerod May to be hired as a computer science teacher at RJ Baskett Middle School effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- p. Jerod May to be hired as the head boys' tennis coach as well as the junior varsity basketball coach at Mississinewa High School effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- q. Victoria Dittmar to be hired as the head volleyball coach at Mississinewa High School effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- r. Susan Lobsiger to be hired as the assistant varsity volleyball coach at Mississinewa High School effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- s. Jody Havens to be hired for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing position within the Grant County Special Education Cooperative effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- t. Jacob Ehmer to be hired for the college student maintenance position effective immediately.
- u. Taylor Soultz to be hired as a PreSchool teacher at Westview Elementary effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- v. Olivia Hopkins to be hired as a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Westview Elementary effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

All ayes, the motion carried.

## 120. Facilities Report

Mr. Gosser and Mrs. Winter gave the Board an update on facilities in the corporation and answered questions from the Board concerning facilities.

**121. Legislative Update**

Mr. Cunningham will continue to update the Board regarding educational issues at the state and federal levels.

**122. Corporation Sponsors/Donations/Grants**

Mr. Richards moved and Mr. Crouch seconded the motion to approve the following corporate sponsor and donations.

Corporate Sponsors:

From Kiley, Harker & Certain to Athletics	\$500.00
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Donations:

From Round Robins to Boys Soccer	\$2,620.00
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From Nicki & Kent Gosser in Memory of Lou England To the Northview Library	\$25.00
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Anonymous Donation to Baseball	\$3,671.16
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All ayes, the motion carried.

**123. Claims**

Mr. Cunningham moved and Mr. Smith seconded the motion to approve claims #46690 through #46799.

All ayes, the motion carried.

**124. Correspondence and Other Business**

The next Board meeting will be held on Monday, June 20, 2022.

Congratulations to Hayden Nelson who placed 5th in the 100 yard dash at the state track meet.

Congratulations to Logan Barnes of RJ Baskett for placing 2nd in the 200 meter dash and the 4x100 team of Ethan Loft, Ian Newsome, Daylin Davis, and Logan Barnes for placing 7th in the middle school state final competition.

Mrs. Winter extended her appreciation and gratitude to the high school administrative team as well as all teachers and counselors for an outstanding graduation ceremony. Parents and students were also applauded for their exemplary behavior and support.

Mr. Gaskin complimented the musical group, Calico Travelers, including Jacob Felger, for an outstanding performance at First Fridays of Gas City.

Mrs. Townsend brought attention to the budget preparation calendar and specifically October 3 as an important date for attendance and a quorum. She also indicated that the Circuit Breaker report provided by Grant County would not necessitate any reduction in the budget.

**125. Adjournment**

Mr. Herrera moved and Mr. Smith seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM.

All ayes, the motion carried.

**Mrs. Susan Miller**  
**Board Secretary**