



1. Action.

TO: Board of School Trustees

DATE: November 21, 2017

SUBJECT: Approval of the November 7, 2017, Board Minutes

The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of Southwest Allen County met on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, in the Administration Conference Room. The following board members were present:

Meagan Milne
Mark Gilpin
Tom Rhoades
Jennifer Couch
Brad Mills

NOTE: UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ALL MOTIONS FOR BOARD ACTION WERE DULY MADE, SECONDED AND UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE BOARD. ALL PROPOSALS AND POLICIES FOR THE ACTION ITEMS ARE ATTACHED AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Homestead *Academic Spell Bowl Team* took first place in a recent area competition.

Congratulations to the Woodside Warrior Cheerleaders who won first place in the Jr. High Large Division at the IASP 2017 Indiana Cheer Championship!

Homestead Junior, David Heiney was named *The News-Sentinel* 2017 Boys Tennis Player of the Year.

The Homestead Marching Alliance Band took first place in the *ISSMA State Marching Band Competition* on Saturday! Congratulations!

Homestead sent a team to the regional *We The People* competition at Ivy Tech where the team came in second. State competition is scheduled for December.

Preparing today's learners for tomorrow's opportunities.

Dr. Philip G. Downs ♦ Superintendent

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Four Homestead Radio students took home a total of four first place and two second place awards at the 14th annual Terri Hemmert Midwest Regional High School and College Radio Conference at Columbia College Chicago on October 14. Seniors, Regan Jones, Matt Schreck and Garrett Willis, and Junior, Cory Balkenbusch, each won in the Radio or Audio categories of Interviewing, Sports Play-by-Play, Live On-Air Newscast, Voice Over, and Audio Documentary.

The Homestead High School chapter of the National Honor Society will be inducting 195 new member's tomorrow, Wednesday, November 8. In order to qualify, each student must achieve a cumulative grade point average of 3.667 or higher and be judged worthy by their teachers and administrators who approve each person's entry into the organization.

Covington Elementary, Haverhill Elementary, Whispering Meadows and Woodside Middle School have earned a Unified Champion School Banner through the Special Olympics Indiana partnership with the Indiana Council of Administrators of Special Education (ICASE). In order to earn the Banners, the school distinguishes itself through inclusive practices and meets the following requirements.

1. Host a school-sponsored activity that is planned and organized by an inclusive student leadership team.
2. Conduct at least one whole school engagement activity that promotes and encourages awareness, respect and inclusion of people with disabilities.
3. Organize and conduct one Unified Sports Activity
4. Raise funds for Special Olympics Indiana to support the local program and help sustain the future of Unified Champion Sports. Elementary School must raise at least \$250. Middle Schools must raise at least \$500.
5. Southwest Allen would like to recognize the generous donations of Tuck Hopkins and Jason Clagg to assist the schools in raising funds for Special Olympics

BOARD ACTION:

AGENDA:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Consent Agenda

Minutes of the October 17, 2017, Meeting
Bills, Claims, Payroll and Accounts
Personnel Recommendations

The Board of School Trustees **heard a report on Co-Curricular Activities** as presented by Jen Bay, Homestead Assistant Principal. (Reference page 2370)

The Board of School Trustees **heard a report on High School Data Points** as presented by Park Ginder, Homestead Principal (Reference page 2371)

The Board of School Trustees **heard a report on HEA 1009 Implications for Budgets and Tax Levies** as presented by Jim Coplen, Business Manager (Reference page 2372)

The Board of School Trustees **passed the 2019-2020 District Calendar (Option A) recommendation** as presented by Dr. Philip G. Downs, Superintendent. (Reference page 2373)

The Board of School Trustees **passed the Architect Selection of MKM architecture + design for the Lafayette Meadows Addition recommendation** as presented by Jim Coplen, Business Manager. (Reference page 2374)

The Board of School Trustees **passed the 2017-2018 Teacher Contract recommendation** as presented by Dr. Philip G. Downs, Superintendent. (Reference page 2375)

The Board of School Trustees **discussed the Classified Pay Increase recommendation** as presented by Jim Coplen, Business Manager. (Reference page 2376)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

President_____

Vice President_____

Secretary_____

Member_____

Member_____