



1. Action.

TO: Board of School Trustees
DATE: October 3, 2017
SUBJECT: Approval of the September 19, 2017, Board Minutes

The Board of School Trustees of the Metropolitan School District of Southwest Allen County met on Tuesday, September 19, 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 has five semifinalists in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program. They are Jodi Camino, Susan Chen, Skip Jester, Christopher Lutz, and Nathan Merz. These academically talented high school seniors will now have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 national merit Scholarships worth about \$32 million.

There are also seven Homestead students recognized a "Commended" in the 2018 National Merit Program. They are Sydney Adams, Arika Akin, Nicholas Angelos, Jacob Bushur, Brendan Sutter, Stephen Tsai, and Zakyre Vanstrom. Students named "Commended" are being recognized for the exceptional academic promise demonstrated by their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for program entry, but will not continue in the Competition for National Merit Scholarships.

Congratulations to all these students for their academic excellence!

Preparing today's learners for tomorrow's opportunities.

Dr. Philip G. Downs ♦ Superintendent

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BOARD ACTION:

AGENDA:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Consent Agenda

Minutes of the September 5, 2017, Meeting
Bills, Claims, Payroll and Accounts
Personnel Recommendations

The Board of School Trustees **heard a report on Community Dialogues** as presented by Dr. Andy Downs, IPFW and Dr. Philip G. Downs, Superintendent. (Reference page 2352)

The Board of School Trustees **heard a report on Homestead Trip to Costa Rica, Summer 2017** as presented by Justin Peeper, Homestead Teacher and HHS Students: Jodi Camino, Klayton Davis, Shaina Godfrey, Michael Nichter, Zoe Moore, and Matthew Schreck. (Reference page 2353)

The Board of School Trustees **discussed the 2019-2020 District Calendar recommendation** as presented by Dr. Philip G. Downs, Superintendent. (Reference page 2354)

The Board of School Trustees **heard a report on August 2017 General Fund Financial Report** as presented by Jim Coplen, Business Manager. (Reference page 2355)

The Board of School Trustees **passed the acceptance of Donation recommendation** as presented by Dr. Philip G. Downs, Superintendent. (Reference page 2356)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

President_____

Vice President_____

Secretary_____

Member_____

Member_____