

NORTH VERMILLION COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Education
on January 14, 2025, at the North Vermillion High School Conference Room
located at 5555 North Falcon Drive, Cayuga, Indiana 47928.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by President Bean at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL:	Mrs. Sadie Paige, President	Present
	Mrs. Joan E. Hathaway, Vice President	Present
	Mr. Jason D. McLain, Secretary	Present
	Mr. John I. Bean, Member	Present
	Mr. Brian L. Hughes, Member	Present
	Mr. Steve Russell, Member	Absent
	Mr. Brandon Thomann, Member	Present—left @ 7:35 p.m.
OFFICIAL:	Brian C. Byrum, Superintendent	Present
	Paul Pfladderer, Consultant	Present

January 14, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/PRAYER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, John Bean, at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Sadie Paige and said in unison. Prayer was given by Brandon Thomann.

B. ROLL CALL

On call of the roll, board members present were John Bean, Joan Hathaway, Brian Hughes, Jason McLain, Sadie Paige and Brandon Thomann. Brandon Thomann exited the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was amended to add Appointments to Recommendations. A motion was made to approve the amended agenda.

Motion by Brian Hughes

Seconded by Sadie Paige

Motion carried 6-0

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 17, 2024, Regular School Board meeting were presented for approval.

Motion by Joan Hathaway

Seconded by Brian Hughes

Motion carried 6-0

E. BOARD REORGANIZATION

Elect President for 1 year:

The motion was made to nominate John Bean as Board President for one year. John Bean declined.

The motion was made to nominate Sadie Paige as Board President for one year.

Motion by John Bean

Seconded by Jason McLain

Motion carried 6-0

Elect Vice President for 1 year:

The motion was made to nominate Joan Hathaway as Board Vice President for one year.

Motion by Brian Hughes

Seconded by Jason McLain

Motion carried 6-0

Elect Secretary for 1 year:

The motion was made to nominate Jason McLain as Board Secretary for one year.

Motion by John Bean
Seconded by Brian Hughes
Motion carried 6-0

F. APPOINT SCHOOL CORPORATION TREASURER AND DEPUTY TREASURER

The Superintendent recommended the appointment of Michele Harrison as Corporation Treasurer and Kristi Lamb as Corporation Deputy Treasurer for one year.

Motion by Jason McLain
Seconded by Brian Hughes
Motion carried 6-0

G. APPOINT BOARD OF FINANCE ORGANIZATION

A motion was made to appoint Sadie Paige as President and Jason McLain as Secretary for the elected officers of the Board of Finance.

Motion by Brian Hughes
Seconded by John Bean
Motion carried 6-0

Information:

The financial report, using Fiscal Indicator Report, the 1782 Notice, and the project cash flow spreadsheet was presented by Superintendent Byrum.

H. SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS & REPORT

School Highlights were given by Mrs. Porter for the elementary school and Mr. Kirk for the Jr./Sr. high school:

- New School Resource Officer—presence is felt and much appreciated by staff.
- Special Education, Title I and Mrs. Porter have met regarding middle of the year assessments. Support staff have been reorganized to better meet student needs
- Starting the second ILEARN checkpoint next week at NVES
- 6th grade girls basketball is starting with a tournament at NVES January 27-30
- NVES 1st Semester Awards Program is Tuesday, February 4, at 1:30 p.m.
- Lane Woolwine and Zoe Hughes are student teaching this semester
- NVHS Homecoming activities were reorganized due to weather. The dance and coronation were Saturday, January 11. Homecoming attendants, king and queen will be recognized during the Saturday, January 18, varsity home basketball game
- WRCTE Recruitment is Wednesday, January 15. Area schools will come in and present to next year's juniors and seniors
- Senior interviews will be this Friday, January 17. Students will have the opportunity to put their interview skills to use.

- Final exams were given before Christmas break
- Grades were delayed due to weather and cancellations
- Next year scheduling will start early in February
- NVHS high school administration, guidance and Ivy Tech have been working hard to establish dual credit opportunities to align with the State's new Indiana College Core graduation requirements

I. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Oren Sutherlin presented information on the I-74 Commercial Development Corridor. Vermillion County Commissioners are seeking a letter of support from the North Vermillion Community School Corporation and the School Board of Trustees.

J. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Designation of Corporation Financial Depository

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve First Financial Bank as the main financial depository for the North Vermillion Community School Corporation.

Motion by Brian Hughes
 Seconded by Jason McLain
 Motion carried 6-0.

2. Field Trips

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the WRCTE overnight field trips to Indianapolis Park Tudor High School February 7 and 8 and to New Palestine High School February 28 and March 1 for VEX Robotics competitions.

Motion by Joan Hathaway
 Seconded by John Bean
 Motion carried 6-0

3. Conflict of Interest Disclosures

The Superintendent recommended each board member complete, sign and read a Conflict of Interest disclosure. The disclosures will be placed on file in the Superintendent's office, Vermillion County Clerk's office and Gateway-Indiana State Board of Accounts.

4. 2025-2029 Bus Bid Contracts

The Superintendent reported the 2025-2029 School Bus Route Bids. Route #9 had two bidders and Routes #2 and Route #3 had no bidders. Superintendent Byrum recommended the Board approve the bus bids with Route #9's lowest bid.

Motion by Jason McLain
 Seconded by Joan Hathaway
 Motion carried 5-0.

5. Personnel

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the following personnel actions:

A. Resignations

None

B. Maternity Leave

None

C. Retirements

None

D. Appointments

1. Re-appoint Angie Crowder and Brian Brasker to the Vermillion County Public Library Board
Motion by Jason McLain
Seconded by Joan Hathaway
Motion carried 5-0

K. TREASURER REPORT

1. Financial Report Filed for Audit

2. Approval of Claims and Ratification of Payrolls

Authority for the Approval of Claims & Ratification of Payrolls

The Superintendent recommended the Board give himself and the Corporation Treasurer, Michele Harrison, the authority to pay claims for January 2025. The claims and payroll will be sent to the Board prior to the end of January for their review. The reason for this change is: the board meeting was moved up to accommodate the Board realignment and the Board of Finance organization.

Motion by Brian Hughes
Seconded by John Bean
Motion carried 5-0.

L. BOARD INFORMATION

- Financial Report was given by Paul Pfladderer
- Superintendent discussed with the Board a request to use the Falcon Activity Center for outside fundraising events.
- Superintendent Byrum requested to use his allowance for classes to gain knowledge in lieu of National Conference attendance.
- Superintendent Byrum announced flex days would be used as follows due to snow days:
 - January 20 make-up day for 1/6/25
 - February 17 make-up day for 1/7/25
 - April 18 make-up day for 1/10/25

- Superintendent Byrum requested Board input regarding a letter of support being drafted for the I-74 Commercial Development Corridor for the public meeting on January 22, 2025, at the 4-H building at 7:00 p.m. The Board voted in favor of drafting a letter of support.

Motion by Brian Hughes

Seconded by Joan Hathaway

Motion carried 5-0

Adjournment

There being no further business to present, Board President, Sadie Paige, called for the meeting to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Sadie Paige, President

Jason McLain, Secretary

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 7:00 pm. in the North Vermillion High School Conference Room.