

NORTH VERMILLION COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Education
on March 11, 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 Paige at 7:01 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	Present
	Mr. Brandon Thomann, Member	Absent
OFFICIAL:	Brian C. Byrum, Superintendent	Present
	Paul Pfladderer, Consultant	Present

A. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/PRAYER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Sadie Paige, at 7:01 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was led by Jason McLain and said in unison. Prayer was given by Sadie Paige.

B. ROLL CALL

On call of the roll, board members present were John Bean, Joan Hathaway, Brian Hughes, Jason McLain, Sadie Paige and Steve Russell.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

An amendment was made to the agenda under Personnel. A motion was made to approve the agenda with the amendment as presented.

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

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the February 18, 2025, Regular School Board meeting were presented for approval.

Motion by Jason McLain
Seconded by Steve Russell
Motion carried 6-0

E. SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS & REPORT

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

- NVHS FFA students participated in activities with elementary students during FFA week
- NVES band students visited the high school band
- NVES received a generous donation from the Community Foundation for the food backpack program
- 6th grade basketball girls made it to the championship game of the Banks of the Wabash tournament
- Approximately 200 students and their families attended the PTO Carnival held on February 28
- NVES is finishing up IREAD 3 testing
- NVES Spring Break Pep Rally is Friday, March 14. Student Council led a fundraiser to help a local family after a house fire. Students donated money to vote for teachers to participate in a staff vs. staff dodgeball game during the pep rally.
- NVHS hosted Varsity Boys Basketball Sectionals last week and staff received many compliments on how things ran and the facilities. Shout out to the high school administration and athletic director
- WRCTE competed in two competitions
- NVHS high school girls' and boys' basketball and wrestling seasons have concluded, and spring sports are starting

- 8th Grade College and Careers class visited Ivy Tech
- 11th grade students took SAT tests last week as part of their graduation requirements
- NVHS BPA state competition was held this past weekend. Our students did a great job representing our school.
 - Eleanor Burrows placed in the top 9 in Presentation Individual
 - Hudson Young and Kayanna Smith placed in the top 9 in Interview Skills
 - Faith McCune placed 7th in Advanced Office Systems and Procedures and 8th in Health Insurance and Medical Billing
 - Kayanna Smith placed 7th in Personal Financial Management
 - Lilly Wesch placed 8th in Legal Office Procedures
 - Hudson Young placed 9th in Legal Office Procedures
 - Kailie Holycross received a 7th in Health Insurance and Medical Billing
- NVHS will host the D'Arlier Art Show March 31 – April 4
- MORP—Jr High dance will be Saturday, April 5
- NVHS Science Fair is April 8
- NVHS College and Career Fair is April 11 in the Falcon Activity Center
- NVHS Spring Musical is April 25-27
- ILearn testing will be April 28 – May 2

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Connie Chew asked if the board meetings are being live-streamed.

G. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. NEOLA Policy (2nd Reading)

Superintendent Byrum recommended the Board approve the 2nd Reading of the revised policies.

Motion by Brian Hughes

Seconded by Jason McLain

Motion carried 6-0

2. Bus Driver Training Contract

Superintendent Byrum recommended approval of the revised Bus Driver Training Reimbursement Agreement.

Motion by Jason McLain

Seconded by Joan Hathaway

Motion carried 6-0

3. Field Trips

Superintendent Byrum recommended approval of the Culinary Arts overnight field trip March 27 & 28 and the Robotics out-of-state field trip that will occur before our next school board meeting.

Motion by Brian Hughes

Seconded by John Bean

Motion carried 6-0

4. Personnel

Superintendent Byrum recommended the board approve the following personnel actions:

A. Resignations

1. Allison Pell—May 22, 2025

B. Maternity Leave

1. None

C. Retirements

1. None

D. Appointments

1. Brock Deffenbaugh—Musical Theatre Tech
2. Lacey Peevler—Musical Choreographer
3. Gabriel Spivey—Musical Vocal Coach
4. Brody Rice—Volunteer Baseball Coach
5. Janet Snyder—Special Education Bus Driver

Motion by Jason McLain

Seconded by Brian Hughes

Motion carried 6-0

H. TREASURER REPORT

1. Financial Report Filed for Audit

2. Approval of Claims and Ratification of Payrolls

The claims and payroll will be sent to the Board prior to the end of March for their review. The reason for this change is: the board meeting was moved up due to Spring Break.

I. BOARD INFORMATION

- Financial Report was given by Paul Pfladderer.
- Superintendent Byrum thanked the Corporation Office staff and Board officials for completion of a successful audit.
- Spring Break will be next week, March 17-21.
- Superintendent Byrum discussed legislative updates and possible funding changes.

Adjournment

There being no further business to present, Board President, Sadie Paige, called for the meeting to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Sadie Paige, President

Jason McLain, Secretary

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 7:00 pm. in the North Vermillion High School Conference Room.