

NORTH HARRISON COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD

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The aforementioned meeting was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011 at North Harrison High School, 1070 Highway 65 NW, Ramsey, Indiana 47166 and commenced at 7:30 p.m. before Rebecca J. Coughenour, Court Reporter.

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APPEARANCES

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MR. ROEDER - SUPERINTENDENT  
MR. RICHARDS - ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT  
BOARD MEMBERS:  
MR. SIEG-BATTISTA - PRESIDENT  
MS. ADAMS - VICE PRESIDENT  
MR. BEYERLE - SECRETARY  
MR. RENNEKER - MEMBER  
MR. HANGER - MEMBER

OTHER SPEAKERS:  
MS. JONES - PRINCIPAL NHES

TAMMY SAGER  
[Faint, illegible text follows]

TRANSCRIPT LEGEND

- (Interjection of thought for clarification)  
-- (Interruption of thought)  
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(ph) (Phonetically)  
(sic) (In its original format)

1 PROCEEDINGS

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3 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I'd like the record to  
4 show that all board members are present. We will  
5 begin with the Adoption of the Agenda. It is  
6 recommended that the agenda be approved with  
7 additions, corrections and deletions as  
8 recommended.

9 MR. ROEDER: I would like to add a couple  
10 of items to the agenda. Under Appointments, if  
11 the board permits, we would add Gary Fessel and  
12 Robbie Rhodes as assistant football coaches and it  
13 would go under the Appointment section. I'll just  
14 add them at the end of the appointments if the  
15 board permits this agenda to be changed and  
16 modified.

17 MR. RENNEKER: Could you give me those two  
18 names again, John?

19 MR. ROEDER: Yes. Gary Fessel and Robbie  
20 Rhodes.

21 MR. RENNEKER: And what are the positions?

22 MR. ROEDER: Assistant football.

23 MR. HANGER: Gary Fessel?

24 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Yes.

25 MR. BEYERLE: Coaches, I guess?

1 MR. ROEDER: Yes, assistant coaches. And  
2 this is, I think, their second year coaching,  
3 maybe third.

4 MR. BEYERLE: So it's high school?

5 MR. ROEDER: Yes.

6 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
7 approve the recommendation with these additions?

8 MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

9 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
10 Renneker. Do I have a second?

11 MR. HANGER: I'll second.

12 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr. Hanger.  
13 Any other comments or questions on this item?

14 MR. BEYERLE: Yes, I still have a question.  
15 Number 20 under Appointments.

16 MR. ROEDER: Yes. The question?

17 MR. BEYERLE: My question is: What's that  
18 gonna say? What is the recommendation?

19 MR. ROEDER: Yeah, the recommendation --

20 MR. BEYERLE: I think everybody here wants  
21 to know. They might want to talk. Do you have a  
22 name you want to put on there?

23 MR. ROEDER: Yes. The recommendation for  
24 Athletic Director is Hal Pearson.

25 MR. BEYERLE: Thank you.

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MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Any other questions?

(No response).

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in favor, please say aye.

(Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

(No response).

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

MR. ROEDER: Under Board Reorganization, for the coming year there are -- there's a couple of comments I need to make regarding that before you get into board reorganization. Since the state legislature enacted legislation which requires all board elections to take place, now, in November, North Harrison must change from school board elections during the May primary to the November election. I recommend that the individuals serve in the nominated positions that we'll be nominating soon for the officers. The newly elected board members will be -- well, actually the positions would start July 2011 and run through January 2013. So actually instead of one year, the reorganization would be for an 18-month period. Also it means that the elected board members before us will have their elected

1 terms to increase by 6 months. And that's  
2 something that was brought on by legislature and  
3 we're just going to -- Tonight I would like to  
4 see that, that if the board is willing, we -- as  
5 long as it's reflected in board minutes we're  
6 permitted to, instead of reorganizing again next  
7 summer, we're permitted to allow the  
8 reorganization to take place and cover the 18  
9 month period. That would be my preference. It  
10 seems reasonable. After conferring with Indiana  
11 School Board Association they concur that if the  
12 board approves and the minutes show that then we  
13 will allow for the board members that are elected  
14 in these official positions to have a term of 18  
15 months.

16 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: So are you gonna ask --  
17 you're asking --

18 MR. ROEDER: We have to have a motion for  
19 that so it will be reflected in the minutes.

20 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Okay. So at this time  
21 do I have a motion to allow the reorganization to  
22 go through January of 2013?

23 MR. HANGER: I'll make that motion.

24 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
25 Hanger. Do I have a second?

1 MS. ADAMS: I'll second it.

2 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.

3 Are there any questions or any comments on this

4 particular item?

5 (No response).

6 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in

7 favor, please say aye.

8 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

9 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

10 (No response).

11 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

12 MR. ROEDER: Regarding the election of the

13 officers I would ask for a motion for president.

14 MR. RENNEKER: I'd like to nominate Steve

15 Hanger.

16 MR. ROEDER: We have a nomination. Do we

17 have a second to that nomination?

18 MR. HANGER: I decline.

19 MR. BEYERLE: I'll second.

20 MR. ROEDER: We have a motion and a second.

21 Do we have any discussion?

22 MR. HANGER: Once again, I don't want it.

23 That's my discussion, I just don't want to be

24 president.

25 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Well, we can vote.

1 MR. ROEDER: We have to --  
2 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: We can still vote.  
3 MR. HANGER: Okay.  
4 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Okay. All those in  
5 favor, please say --  
6 MR. ROEDER: I would need to do that.  
7 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I'm sorry.  
8 MR. ROEDER: Yeah. We have asked for  
9 discussion and we have had discussion. We ask for  
10 all in favor, aye.  
11 MR. RENNEKER: Aye.  
12 MR. BEYERLE: Aye.  
13 MR. ROEDER: That would be recorded as two  
14 ayes. Opposed?  
15 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Aye.  
16 MS. ADAMS: Aye.  
17 MR. HANGER: Aye.  
18 MR. ROEDER: And three in opposition. So  
19 it dies for lack of majority. Do we have a second  
20 motion for president?  
21 MR. BEYERLE: I nominate Jerry, yeah, Jerry  
22 Renneker.  
23 MR. ROEDER: We have a motion for Jerry  
24 Renneker. Do we have a second for that motion?  
25 MR. RENNEKER: I'll second.



1 MR. ROEDER: We have a second, Mr.  
2 Renneker. Further discussion?

3 (No response).

4 MR. ROEDER: All in favor, aye?

5 MR. BEYERLE: Aye.

6 MR. RENNEKER: Aye.

7 MR. ROEDER: Would be two ayes. All  
8 opposed?

9 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Aye.

10 MS. ADAMS: Aye.

11 MR. HANGER: Aye.

12 MR. ROEDER: It would fail for a majority.  
13 We will need to proceed on for the position of  
14 president. Do we have a motion once again for  
15 president?

16 MR. HANGER: I nominate Veronica Sieg-  
17 Battista for president.

18 MR. ROEDER: We have a motion for Ms.  
19 Battista. Do we have a second for that motion?

20 MS. ADAMS: I'll second it.

21 MR. ROEDER: We have a second to that  
22 motion. Do we have discussion?

23 (No response).

24 MR. ROEDER: All in favor, aye.

25 MS. ADAMS: Aye.

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MR. HANGER: Aye.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Aye.

MR. ROEDER: That would be three ayes.

Opposed?

MR. RENNEKER: Aye.

MR. BEYERLE: Aye.

MR. ROEDER: Two in opposition. Motion passes. Move on to vice president. Do we have a motion for vice president?

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I'd like to nominate Marla Adams.

MR. ROEDER: We have a motion for Ms. Adams. Do we have a second?

MR. HANGER: I'll second it.

MR. ROEDER: We have a second. Do we have discussion?

(No response).

MR. ROEDER: All in favor, aye.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Aye.

MR. HANGER: Aye.

MS. ADAMS: Aye.

MR. ROEDER: Three. Opposed, same sign.

MR. RENNEKER: Aye.

MR. BEYERLE: Aye.

MR. ROEDER: Two opposed. Motion passes.

1 Motion for secretary?

2 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I'll make the motion  
3 that Michael Beyerle be nominated as secretary.

4 MR. ROEDER: We have a motion. Do we have  
5 a second?

6 MR. HANGER: I'll second it.

7 MR. ROEDER: And a second. Discussion?

8 (No response).

9 MR. ROEDER: All in favor, aye.

10 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Aye.

11 MR. HANGER: Aye.

12 MS. ADAMS: Aye.

13 MR. ROEDER: That's -- There were three in  
14 favor. Opposed?

15 MR. RENNEKER: Aye.

16 MR. BEYERLE: Aye.

17 MR. ROEDER: Two opposed. Motion passes.

18 MR. RENNEKER: I said aye. It's 4-1.

19 MR. ROEDER: Oh one opposed? I couldn't  
20 tell.

21 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Yes.

22 MR. ROEDER: Okay. One opposed. Motion  
23 passes 3-1.

24 MR. RENNEKER: 4-1.

25 MR. ROEDER: Oh, it's 4-1. Okay. Sorry.

1 We'll move on then, next on the agenda would be  
2 the Appointments. Corporation Treasurer - Ms.  
3 Joann Burson; Assistant Treasure - Ms. Judy  
4 Jeffries; and extracurricular - Ms. Cathy Chinn.  
5 We'd ask for a motion to approve these  
6 appointments.

7 MR. BEYERLE: I'll make the motion.

8 MR. ROEDER: We have a motion. Do we have  
9 a second?

10 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I'll second it.

11 MR. ROEDER: Second. Discussion?

12 (No response).

13 MR. RENNEKER: All in favor, aye.

14 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

15 MR. ROEDER: No, same sign.

16 (No response).

17 MR. ROEDER: Okay. Passes 5-0.

18 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: At this time we're  
19 gonna ask that the minutes from the June 9<sup>th</sup>  
20 meeting be approved as presented. Do I have a  
21 motion to approve the minutes from that meeting?

22 MS. ADAMS: I'll make the motion.

23 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Ms.  
24 Adams. Do I have a second?

25 MR. RENNEKER: I'll second it.

1 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Was that you, Mr.  
2 Hanger?

3 MR. HANGER: Mr. Renneker, I think.

4 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I'm sorry. Mr.  
5 Renneker. Any questions or comments on the  
6 minutes?

7 (No response).

8 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
9 favor, please say aye.

10 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

11 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

12 (No response).

13 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

14 MR. ROEDER: Under Approval of Claims it's  
15 recommended that claims number 791 through 957 be  
16 approved as presented. I'll try to answer your  
17 questions at this time.

18 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
19 pay the claims?

20 MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

21 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
22 Renneker. Do I have a second?

23 MR. BEYERLE: I'll second.

24 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr.  
25 Beyerle. Questions or comments at this time?

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MR. BEYERLE: You got any?

MR. RENNEKER: Nope.

MR. BEYERLE: I've got a couple. No, I'm good. He answered 'em already.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: You got all your questions answered?

MR. BEYERLE: Yeah, I'm all right.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Okay. Anybody else?  
(No response).

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If there's no other questions, all those in favor, please say aye.

(Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

(No response).

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

MR. ROEDER: It is recommended that the regular payrolls for July 29<sup>th</sup> 2011 and August 12<sup>th</sup> 2011 be approved for payment.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to approve this recommendation?

MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr. Renneker. Do I have a second?

MS. ADAMS: I'll second it.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.

1 Do we have any questions or comments on the  
2 payroll item?

3 (No response).

4 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
5 favor, please say aye.

6 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

7 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

8 (No response).

9 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

10 MR. ROEDER: Under Bank Reconciliation it  
11 is recommended that the reconciliation from June  
12 30<sup>th</sup> 2011 be approved as presented.

13 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
14 approve this recommendation?

15 MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

16 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
17 Renneker. Do I have a second?

18 MR. HANGER: I'll second it.

19 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr. Hanger.  
20 Any questions or comments on the bank  
21 reconciliation?

22 (No response).

23 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
24 favor, please say aye.

25 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

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MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

(No response).

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

MR. ROEDER: Next under Presentations I would like to make a few comments. I'd like to report the fact that we had excellent test scores in all four of our buildings for this springs ISTEP. This was evidenced by an excellent article in yesterdays Courier Journal, which I gladly plastered all over the walls and the windows at the door, everywhere we could put it. We had huge improvements at North Harrison Elementary, the middle school, the high school and also had improvement at Morgan, who were -- they were already exemplary as far as their scores at Morgan. They just needed to maintain and improve and they did that. North Harrison led all of the seven area school corporations in every category reported. The three categories were --

(Applause).

MR. ROEDER: The categories reported were -- the first was a percentage of students passing both English and math. Also students passing separately language arts and also students passing math separately. So all three categories we were



1 at the tops of the list for the whole area. We've  
2 already had a congratulations but I would further  
3 say that our students, parents, staffs and  
4 administrators deserve a round of applause again.  
5 And from my standpoint I said -- I suggest a  
6 standing ovation for such an excellent  
7 performance.

8 (Applause).

9 MR. ROEDER: I hope on your way out you  
10 check out the articles to see exactly what it  
11 entails, but it was quite a performance by our, by  
12 our school system.

13 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Are there any other?

14 MR. ROEDER: Not under presentations.

15 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Okay. Okay then at  
16 this time I'm gonna ask if there are any public  
17 comments on tonight's agenda items?

18 TAMMY SAGER: Hi. My name is Tammy Sager  
19 and I'm just looking for both clarity and some  
20 understanding. I'd like to know how you came to  
21 hire a part-time middle school art teacher and a  
22 part-, I guess, really a full-time aid considered  
23 an art instructor as well as an aid. I'd kinda  
24 like to have an explanation of the steps that came  
25 to that point of making those choices and also how

1 will this affect students and teachers. It seems  
2 that teachers at North Harrison and Morgan will be  
3 impacted by having, I guess, an aid or a part-time  
4 teacher, I'm not quite sure how the program is  
5 gonna work. Any information you can give me there  
6 I'd appreciate. And then the middle school, are  
7 teachers or actually are students losing art time  
8 in particular?

9 MR. ROEDER: Yes, I'll comment on that.  
10 Anyone that's familiar with the system in depth  
11 knows that the last couple of years when we've had  
12 teachers retire through attrition we've had to not  
13 replace, which has caused class sizes to go up  
14 somewhat. And I'll have comments regarding  
15 proposed projected budget later on in the meeting  
16 but we have discussed these issues with the board.  
17 We got a lot of discussion. Programming impacts  
18 are tough just the same as class size increases  
19 are tough. In the case of impacting there will be  
20 a reduced amount of art at North Harrison  
21 Elementary, a little bit. There will be some  
22 impact there. I'd say a greater impact and  
23 probably an issue at the middle school since it  
24 will be not a full-time position. But those were  
25 debated and it's my recommendation to not only do

1 that but we'll be taking a recommendation for  
2 additional looks at personnel much further as we  
3 get into next spring. And I'll kinda lay that out  
4 in detail a little bit at the end of the meeting.  
5 But we have to tighten our belts in every way  
6 possible and every time a position comes open it's  
7 scrutinized as to whether or not we would replace,  
8 if we would replace, replace at a part- or full-  
9 time. That's just what we're gonna -- That's the  
10 environment we're gonna be in for the next 2 or 3  
11 years at least until we get some student  
12 enrollment increases and hopefully more money from  
13 the state, which is really what makes the  
14 difference. But -- And there are some other  
15 factors, which I'll get into more detail later on  
16 in the comments about our budget projections. But  
17 it's a reaction to the need to tighten our belts,  
18 the need to look seriously at every one of our  
19 hires coming in and what we're gonna do, whether  
20 we'll replace or not. And that would not just be  
21 teaching, that would also be non-certified too.

22 TAMMY SAGER: Okay. And on this particular  
23 hiring choices that you've made are all grades  
24 still covered in some form of art?

25 MR. ROEDER: They are, yes.

1 TAMMY SAGER: About how much time will they  
2 get?

3 MR. ROEDER: Well, there'll be a reduction  
4 at the middle school but we -- Ms. Lambertus?

5 MS. LAMBERTUS: We actually will not lose  
6 any art time.

7 TAMMY SAGER: Oh, fabulous. Okay. So the  
8 part-time art teacher that you did hire here at  
9 the middle school, will she have any involvement  
10 in any other schools or is she just that part-time  
11 at the middle school?

12 MR. ROEDER: She is just at the middle  
13 school, yes.

14 TAMMY SAGER: Okay. And then for the  
15 elementary school I know Mr. Love is still at  
16 Morgan.

17 MR. ROEDER: Correct.

18 TAMMY SAGER: So they won't be impacted so  
19 much but how about at North Harrison Elementary?  
20 Ms. Schultz is being recommended for hiring for  
21 the art instructor and aid position. I assume  
22 that there are some grades that are having less  
23 art or is that program totally cut?

24 MR. ROEDER: I think it will be a small  
25 impact there. Is that correct?

1 MS. JONES: Our K and 1 students have just  
2 have one art class a week for the last couple of  
3 years here and they will continue that one art  
4 class. And then 2, 3, 4 and 5 will have one art  
5 class instead of two.

6 TAMMY SAGER: 2, 3, 4 and 5?

7 MS. JONES: All grades will go to one art  
8 class.

9 TAMMY SAGER: Okay. Okay. So they're  
10 getting half the art they used to have. All  
11 right. I want to thank you all for the effort  
12 that you have put into saving art and keeping art  
13 here. I do appreciate that. I'm sure that it  
14 took up a great deal of your time in conversations  
15 at different meetings and I appreciate all the  
16 effort to keep as much art as possible at the  
17 school. So thank you very much.

18 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Thank you, Tammy.  
19 Anyone else have any comments on tonight's agenda  
20 items?

21 (No response).

22 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Okay. If not, then  
23 we'll move on.

24 MR. ROEDER: Under Resignations we have  
25 Amber Sater - High School Student Council

1 effective immediately and also Leslie Hamilton  
2 retirement from North Harrison High School  
3 Secretary position, which will be effective March  
4 1 of 2012. We ask for approval.

5 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
6 approve this recommendation?

7 MS. ADAMS: I'll make the motion.

8 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Ms.  
9 Adams. Do I have a second?

10 MR. HANGER: I'll second.

11 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr. Hanger.  
12 Do you have any questions or comments on these  
13 resignation items?

14 MR. RENNEKER: Yeah, I just wanted to get  
15 some clarity on the portion of that retirement as  
16 far as the statement in there with regards to  
17 that. Are we capable of talking about that here?

18 MR. ROEDER: Retirement?

19 MR. RENNEKER: Yes.

20 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: A statement in the  
21 letter about benefits.

22 MR. ROEDER: We'd have to talk about that  
23 in executive session.

24 MR. RENNEKER: Okay. Thank you.

25 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Any other questions?

1 (No response.)

2 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If there's no other  
3 questions at this time then I ask all those in  
4 favor to please say aye.

5 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

6 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

7 (No response).

8 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

9 MR. ROEDER: Under Appointments, we have a  
10 number of them, Michelle Green - Special Education  
11 Instructional Assistant; Christopher Broughton -  
12 Middle School English/Language Arts Teacher;  
13 Martha Maier-Tilquist - High School Math Teacher;  
14 Michelle Renneker - Middle School Art Teacher,  
15 which is part-time; Sherry Schultz - Art Teacher  
16 Assistant at North Harrison Elementary; Mistina  
17 Johnson - an Assistant at North Harrison  
18 Elementary; Rick Gunter - High School Assistant  
19 Football Coach for 11-12; William Saltsgaver -  
20 Boys High School Soccer Coach for 2011 and 12;  
21 Nicole Cockerham - 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Cheer Coach;  
22 Kent Rentschler - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Coach; Jeff  
23 Rudolph - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Coach; Micaela Napper  
24 - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach; Joe Dones - Middle  
25 School Tennis Coach; Darrel Williamson - High

1 School Marching Band Instructor; Charles Combs -  
2 High School Band Color Guard Instructor; Stephen  
3 Hall - High School Band Assistant Color Guard  
4 Instructor; Jeremy Jordan - High School Band  
5 Percussion Instructor; Michael Homan - High School  
6 Band Assistant Percussion Instructor; Doug Clifton  
7 - Boys Middle School Tennis; also Gary Fessell and  
8 Robbie Rhodes as Assistant High School Football  
9 Coaches. We'd ask for approval of that list as  
10 presented.

11 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
12 approve these appointments.

13 MR. HANGER: I'll make that motion.

14 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion made by Mr.  
15 Hanger. Do I have a second?

16 MS. ADAMS: I'll second.

17 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.  
18 Any questions or comments on the appointment  
19 items?

20 MR. RENNEKER: Is the only one that's  
21 listed there, number 19, is that the only one  
22 that's a volunteer?

23 MR. ROEDER: I believe so. I think that  
24 the -- I don't know anything different than that.  
25 I think that's the only volunteer, yes.



1 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Any other questions?  
2 (No response.)  
3 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
4 favor, please say aye.  
5 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")  
6 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?  
7 (No response).  
8 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.  
9 MR. ROEDER: I also ask for approval of Hal  
10 Pearson as North Harrison High School Athletic  
11 Director/Teacher, effective July 14, 2011. Mr.  
12 Pearson will be provided a 2-year administrative  
13 contract. I ask for approval.  
14 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
15 approve this recommendation?  
16 MR. BEYERLE: I'll make the motion.  
17 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
18 Beyerle. Do I have a second?  
19 MR. RENNEKER: I'll second it.  
20 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr.  
21 Renneker. Any questions or comments?  
22 (No response).  
23 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
24 favor, please say aye.  
25 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

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MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

(No response).

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

MR. ROEDER: Under Other Items, Indiana Code requires that a public servant who has an interest in a contract or purchase that possibly my increase those public servants net worth must fully disclose that possible conflict of interest. This disclosure must be filed once each year with the State Board of Accounts. No official board action is required but publicly acknowledged for the following: Mr. Kelly Simpson - wife, Judy, is a secretary at North Harrison Middle School; Mr. Michael Beyerle - wife, Jill, is a North Harrison Community School Corporation contracted bus driver; Mr. Gerald Renneker - wife, Kim, instructional assistant at North Harrison Middle School; Mr. Steve Hanger - Hanger Painting services have been purchased by North Harrison Community School Corporation and Mr. Hanger is employed by Hanger Painting; Ms. Veronica Battista - Ramsey Popcorn products are purchased by North Harrison, Ms. Battista also is employed by Ramsey Popcorn.

That serves as acknowledgment. These will

1 be reflected in the board minutes.

2 Next it's recommended that the board  
3 approve North Harrison Middle School book rentals  
4 and fees for 2011/12.

5 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
6 approve this recommendation?

7 MS. ADAMS: I'll make the motion.

8 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Ms.  
9 Adams. Do I have a second?

10 MR. HANGER: I'll second it.

11 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr. Hanger.  
12 Any questions or comments on this item?

13 (No response).

14 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
15 favor, please say aye.

16 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

17 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

18 (No response).

19 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

20 MR. ROEDER: It is recommended the board  
21 approve North Harrison Elementary book rental and  
22 fees for 11 and 12.

23 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
24 approve this recommendation?

25 MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

1 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Was that Mr. Beyerle?

2 MR. RENNEKER: Renneker.

3 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I'm sorry. Mr.

4 Renneker made the motion. Do I have a second?

5 MS. ADAMS: I'll second.

6 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.

7 Any questions or comments on this item?

8 (No response).

9 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
10 favor, please say aye.

11 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

12 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

13 (No response).

14 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

15 MR. ROEDER: It is recommended the board  
16 approve Morgan Elementary book rental and fees for  
17 11 and 12.

18 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
19 approve this recommendation?

20 MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

21 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
22 Renneker. Do I have a second?

23 MR. HANGER: I'll second it.

24 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr. Hanger.

25 Any questions or comments on this item?

1 (No response).

2 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
3 favor, please say aye.

4 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

5 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

6 (No response).

7 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

8 MR. ROEDER: Next it's recommended the  
9 board approve a donation of \$1,000 from First  
10 Harrison Bank to North Harrison Cross Country.

11 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
12 approve this recommendation?

13 MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

14 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
15 Renneker. Do I have a second?

16 MS. ADAMS: I'll second.

17 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.  
18 Any questions or comments on this item?

19 MR. RENNEKER: I'd like to thank the First  
20 Harrison Bank for that contribution to the North  
21 Harrison Cross Country.

22 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Any other comments or  
23 questions?

24 (No response).

25 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in

1 favor, please say aye.

2 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

3 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

4 (No response).

5 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

6 MR. ROEDER: It is recommended the board  
7 approve the sale of Route 23 from Jackie Bosler to  
8 Buddy Bosler at a daily rate of \$161.24 per day,  
9 effective August 1, 2011.

10 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
11 approve this recommendation?

12 MS. ADAMS: I'll make the motion.

13 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Ms.  
14 Adams. Do I have a second?

15 MR. RENNEKER: I'll second.

16 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Mr.  
17 Renneker.

18 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Any questions or  
19 comments on this item?

20 (No response).

21 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
22 favor, please say aye.

23 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

24 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

25 (No response).

1 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

2 MR. ROEDER: It is recommended the board  
3 approve permission to apply for a grant from the  
4 Harrison County Community Foundation for \$6,000  
5 with no match required to help with the high  
6 school yearbook production.

7 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
8 approve this recommendation?

9 MR. HANGER: I'll make that motion.

10 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
11 Hanger. Do I have a second?

12 MS. ADAMS: I'll second.

13 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.  
14 Any questions or comments on this item?

15 (No response).

16 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
17 favor, please say aye.

18 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

19 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

20 (No response).

21 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

22 MR. ROEDER: It is recommended the board  
23 approve permission to apply for a grant from the  
24 Harrison County Community Foundation for \$2,582  
25 with no match required. It would help with the

1 high school journalism class with the publication  
2 of the school newspaper.

3 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Do I have a motion to  
4 approve this recommendation?

5 MR. RENNEKER: I'll make that motion.

6 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.  
7 Renneker. Do I have a second?

8 MS. ADAMS: I'll second it.

9 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.  
10 Any questions or comments on this item?

11 (No response).

12 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: If not, all those in  
13 favor, please say aye.

14 (Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

15 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

16 (No response).

17 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0.

18 MR. ROEDER: Under Discussion Items I'd  
19 just like to talk a little bit about the  
20 previously mentioned issues with the, the budget  
21 in the school system. After such an evening of  
22 good reports I hate to bring bad news but it must  
23 be done, must be put out to the public. Due to  
24 huge increases in health insurance costs to the  
25 school corporation, reduced state funding to North



1 Harrison as well as other school systems around  
2 the state, and a declining student enrollment in  
3 our schools over the past 6 years, which really  
4 further cuts the funding from the state to the  
5 school system, our budget projections do not look  
6 good. We have needed to take steps to not replace  
7 teachers retiring through attrition over the past  
8 couple of years as I mentioned previously. We  
9 also have had some increases in class sizes. But  
10 I'm afraid that that's only gonna get worse as we  
11 look into the next 2 to 3 years.

12 As a school system we need to tighten our  
13 belts further in every way possible over the next  
14 couple of years an even -- with all of our best  
15 efforts to cut costs. We are facing a need for  
16 reduction in force, which will affect all areas of  
17 school personnel beginning with the 2012/13 school  
18 year as we will likely run out of money about the  
19 end of the 12/13 school year without severe cuts  
20 to all budgets and personnel.

21 As I indicated, it is important to put this  
22 out publicly. We need to brace for larger class  
23 sizes, possible reductions in programs. We've  
24 already seen some of that by some reduction with  
25 our art situation. We will have fewer resources

1 to keep our school system from going into a  
2 deficit position. We have publicly seen  
3 neighboring school systems cut personnel,  
4 programs, resources for students over the past  
5 couple of years and North Harrison is facing the  
6 same fate. Unsettling news but news that must be  
7 put out to the public as soon as we have a pretty  
8 good position and a pretty good projection in  
9 regard to that situation.

10 So that's the way it stands. That's  
11 something that we can continue to monitor but as  
12 early as possible that word needs to be put out to  
13 the public and also put out to the school  
14 community.

15 I have nothing under Late Items this  
16 evening.

17 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: At this time I'll ask  
18 for any board member communication.

19 (No response).

20 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: I have a couple at this  
21 time. The 14-year-old Pony League team asked that  
22 I present this trophy to the administrators and  
23 school corporation as they are the new Harrison  
24 County Pony League champions and they won that.  
25 They're at practice tonight. But anyway they

1 asked that I bring this and present that so you  
2 could have that and we celebrate that success as  
3 we do for all the success of our academic and  
4 athletic and all our teams outside the schools.  
5 So I wanted to bring that up and I also wanted to  
6 just add to what John had said about the ISTEP  
7 scores and the tremendous achievement there.  
8 There was a lot of effort, I do believe, and I  
9 know personally just from having, you know, a son  
10 in the school corporation from all of the  
11 administrators, the principals, the staff, the  
12 teachers especially and the students. And I don't  
13 want to forget the parents because the parents  
14 make sure the kids get there ready for the testing  
15 and hopefully support the teachers in what they  
16 try to do. So I just think it is a great thing we  
17 should acknowledge. We always have to acknowledge  
18 the bad in the news but we really do want to  
19 celebrate the good when we can. So I just wanted  
20 to add to what John said earlier. So thanks to  
21 all of you for that.

22 Anybody else? Mr. Hanger?

23 MR. HANGER: I'd like to ask Chris  
24 Broughton to stand up, please. You probably knew  
25 I was gonna do this, didn't you? This is Chris

1 Broughton. He is our new middle school English  
2 Teacher. I've known Chris for a long time,  
3 watched him play a lot of basketball. I want you  
4 guys to look at what color shirt he has on.

5 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Thank goodness.

6 MR. HANGER: I told him the other day he'd  
7 have to trade in some of that orange. I know it's  
8 hard to but I got rid of mine. I've got a little  
9 bit left, a little bit. But I wanted to make  
10 sure, Chris, that you knew this is a great school  
11 corporation with great people, great students and  
12 even better parents. Thank you.

13 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Does anybody have  
14 anything else? Okay, Marla.

15 MS. ADAMS: I also want to commend Amber  
16 Sater and Susan Isbell for writing the grants that  
17 we are recommending they apply for. That will  
18 help greatly with the yearbook and with  
19 journalism. And I want to thank them greatly.

20 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Okay. If there's no  
21 other communications then I'm gonna ask for a  
22 motion for adjournment of tonight's meeting. Do I  
23 have a motion?

24 MR. HANGER: I'll make that motion.

25 MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion is made by Mr.

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Hanger. Do I have a second?

MS. ADAMS: I'll second.

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Seconded by Ms. Adams.

All those in favor, please say aye.

(Whereupon all Board members said "aye.")

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Opposed?

(No response).

MS. SIEG-BATTISTA: Motion carries 5-0 and  
this meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings were taken down by me, as stated in the caption; and the transcript was reduced to print by me; that the forgoing pages 3 through 68 represent a true, correct, and complete transcript of the proceeding on July 14, 2011.

This the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011.

  
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Court Reporter

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My commission expires: 01/13/12