CALL TO ORDER –  President Joanna King called the November 5, 2019 School Board Meeting of the Board of School Trustees to order at 4:00 p.m. All Board Members were present. Others in attendance included Jane Allen, Superintendent, Robby Goodman, Assistant Superintendent, Josh Yoder, Director of Business Services, Jeff Palmer, Director of Buildings and Grounds and Melissa Deak, Director of Transportation.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT-
Announcement of the Middlebury Gold Card Club
Mrs. Allen announced that all of our patrons age 60 and over would receive a special MCS Gold Card in the mail. These cards will go out in a week and entitle FREE admission to all school plays, musicals, concerts, and home athletic events, EXCLUDING IHSAA tournaments and reserved-seat events. The school’s first recipient is Carmon Cripe, who was present tonight to receive this card. Mrs. King thanked Mr. Cripe for all of his support over the years. She cannot think of anyone that deserves this more than he does, as he has been at so many athletic events over the years. This is our way of telling our community how much we value him and everyone else over the age of 60. We want you to be a part of what is happening in this school system. A big thank you to Carmon for being such a huge supporter of our athletic, music and choir programs.

Introduction of NHS Foreign Exchange Students
Mrs. Smeltzer, NHS Guidance Counselor and Mrs. Gage brought the following Foreign Exchange Students to meet and talk with board members. There are 17 Foreign Exchange Students at NHS this year. They are:

- Thayra Blanco Flores – Spain – Host Family: Mark and Jennifer Baker
- Pablo Fernandez Bescos – Spain – Host Family: Bea and Tom Eisenhour
- Tristana Fernandez DeClemente – Spain – Host Family: Adam and Stacy Fugate
- Famke Glifberg – Sweden – Host Family: Matt and Jessica Jones
- Hikaru Gonokami – Japan – Host Family: Theresa Felder
- Ittiruch Kurusiripong (Tonson) – Thailand – Host Family: Elva and Sharon Yoder
- Lea Onste – Germany – Host Family: Matt and Jessica Jones
- Ona PousValls – Spain – Host Family: Barbara and Dennis Yoder
- Teresa DeGiuli – Italy – Host Family: Phillip and Dawn Gage
- Daniela Jimenz i Prats – Spain – Host Family: Mark and Jennifer Baker
- Milou Sloendreqt – Netherlands – Host Family: Matt and Jessica Jones
- Alva Tornebladh – Sweden – Host Family: Angela and Mike Black
- Anna Maria Letizia Cigala Fulgosi – Italy – Host Family: Brianne Estep
- Marcos Loring Rueda – Spain – Host Family: Marvin and Shawna Schmucker
- Josephine Emma Zoe Moeller – Germany – Host Family: Keith and Tammy Loutzenhiser
- Valeria Zambrano Trujillo – Columbia – Host Family: Chuck and Amy Tiebout
- Jacopo Verdolini – Italy – Host Family: Les and Shawna Weinberg
Board members asked them various questions about living in the United States, their favorite American food (BBQ steak, hash browns, pie, s’mores, and candy corn) and when they learned English. Most of the students said they were very young when they learned our language. Mrs. King asked the students what were some of the surprises they had coming to the United States. One student had lived in Missouri and said he likes Indiana a lot better. Another student said he wants to continue onto college and Mr. Eash said that the Notre Dame campus is very close which they could visit (it’s a great campus). The board thanked the students for coming to the meeting.

EXPRESSIONS FROM PATRONS – Aaron Scholl, 60867 CR 133, Goshen, IN 46528 addressed the school board regarding the MCS Rental Policy. They have been renting Jefferson Elementary cafeteria to have church. The church is an offshoot of the Harvest Bible Church in Granger. They started meeting last fall. The MCS rental agreement states they can rent the building up to 6 months. That would take them to March 2020, and if they do not have a more permanent location by then they would not have a building to congregate. He would like to know the procedure to an extension or amendment to that policy. He read a letter of support from Greg Wilson, the Jefferson Head Custodian and one from the Jefferson Art Teacher. Mrs. King thanked him for his presentation and said the board will review the policy/discussion and take under advisement. Mrs. Allen will be getting back with him. She appreciated his presentation and the letters he brought with him. Mrs. Allen questioned if they have only been there 6 months. Mr. Scholl said they actually started in April 2019 with prayer meetings, which he thought, didn’t apply to this policy. They then re-signed in October 2019. Mr. Scholl is thinking this is the first “official” time frame that he is requesting for.

CONSENT AGENDA –

- Minutes from the October 22, 2019, 2019 School Board Meeting
- Claims Lists
- Donations
- Personnel List

EMPLOYMENT:

Northridge High School
- Certified: Samuel Miller, Assistant Cross Country Coach, 43210-1
  Start Date: October 28, 2019

Northridge Middle School
- Classified: Shira Moore, 6.5 Hour Autism Para
  Replacing: Sarah Lyles, Start Date: November 6, 2019

York Elementary School
- Classified: Katie Kalb, 7.5 Hour Building Assistant
  Replacing: DeEtta Lackey, Start Date: November 6, 2019

RESIGNATION:

Orchard View Elementary School
- Classified: Katie Kalb, 6.5 Hour Special Education, Mixed Ability Para
  Effective Date: November 5, 2019
- Tracey Witmer, 6.5 Hour Life Skills Para
  Effective Date: November 6, 2019
EMERGENCY LEAVE:

Northridge High School
Certified: Clint Borntrager, Physical Education Teacher, 1 Day: November 19, 2019
Theresa Grossman, English Teacher, 1 Day: December 20, 2019

Northridge Middle School
Certified: Kim Cammenga, 8th Grade Language Arts Teacher
1 Day: November 19, 2019
Tim Luken, 8th grade Social Studies Teacher
1 Day: November 19, 2019

Jefferson Elementary School
Classified: Christine Khaoucha, Nurse
6 Hours: October 31, 2019

Administration Center
Classified: Ruby Fuentes, Deputy Treasurer
3 Days: October 23, 24, 25, 2019

Mr. Souder moved and Mr. Eash seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 5–0.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2020-2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR - Mr. Eash moved and Mr. Souder seconded a motion to approve the proposed 2020-2021 school calendar as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0. This can be viewed on the Middlebury Community Schools website: www.mcsin-k12.org.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INDOT PURCHASE OF PROPERTY – Mrs. Allen is requesting board approval of INDOT purchasing 0.57 acre of land for $45,950. We feel the appraisal and price is fair. It is the northeast corner of US 20 and CR 35. We do not currently do anything with the land and it is unimproved. Mr. Gayler moved and Mr. Eash seconded the motion as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DONATIONS TO SCHOOLS –

- Northridge High School
  - First State Bank-Spirit Account $4,342.85 – FSB Spirit Booster
  - Crystal Valley Exchange Club 500.00 – Guidance Materials
  - Crystal Valley Exchange Club 500.00 – Raider Motor Sports
  - Crystal Valley Exchange Club 500.00 – Science Olympiad
  - Crystal Valley Exchange Club 500.00 – Weight Room
  - Crystal Valley Exchange Club 500.00 – Parent council – Award Night
  - Taylor Physical Therapy 500.00 – Raider Motor Sports
  - Hoosier Crane Service Company 500.00 – Raider Motor Sports
  - Pontoon Boat, LLC 500.00 – Robotics
  - Jayco 1,000.00 – Robotics

- Heritage Intermediate School
  - Crystal Valley Exchange Club 500.00– Guidance Career Program

TOTAL DONATIONS $9,842.85

- Consent Agenda Donations-Various Donors $1,535.00

TOTAL DONATIONS FOR NOV. 5, 2019 $11,377.85

Mr. Souder moved and Mr. Eash seconded a motion to approve the list of donations as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

FIELD TRIPS – Dr. Goodman reviewed the list of field trips with the board members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE –
- We are very proud of our girls Cross Country Team. They finished 16th in the State! Congratulations!
- Jack Moore placed 64th in boy’s race. He did a great job and we are very proud of our kids!
- The Band preformed at the Semi-State at Pike High School and unfortunately, they did not move on to State. They did a great job and we are very proud of them! They were amazing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TRAVEL – Dr. Goodman reviewed and answered questions regarding the list of travel requests.

EXPRESSIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS –
- Mr. Souder was really interested in all our Exchange Students. He’s glad they are here and enjoying their experiences. That is so cool!
- Mr. Eash spent some time at the Lerner Theatre watching the show choirs perform. They did a wonderful job as well as the other area school show choirs. It’s amazing how much musical talent is in this area.
- Mrs. King wanted to highlight the MCS Gold Card Club. This is such a great thing that Jane is making happen in this community. She is excited to see how the rest of the community will be excited as well. She was glad Mr. Cripe was here this evening to accept the first MCS Gold Card.

OTHER BUSINESS – None.

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Gayler moved and Mr. Souder seconded a motion to adjourn the November 5, 2019 school board meeting at 4:45 p.m. into Executive Session. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0. The next school board meeting will be on November 19, 2019.

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Joanna King, President                       Paul Gayler, Vice President

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Robert Souder, Secretary                     Mitch Miller, Member

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Gregg Eash, Member