

## **Morgan School project goes out for bidding**

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The construction and renovation project at Morgan Elementary School is proceeding; with the North Harrison Board of School Trustees having approved at Thursday's meeting the advertising for bids on the project.

Bids are due in by June 1, and the winning bid will be accepted on June 4, in a board meeting.

In a funding matter pertaining to the Morgan project, a \$2 million Zone Academy Bond will be used for funding part of the project. North Harrison Schools will owe zero interest on the \$2 million, and the people who buy them will (instead of making a profit from the interest payments) get a write off on their taxes.

The board also dealt with a few personnel issues, mostly related to athletics.

North Harrison High School athletics director Rick Gunter resigned his position, effective with the end of the 2008-09 school year. Gunter has had the position since the start of the 2007-08 school year.

The board also chose not to renew the contract of head boys' basketball coach Chris Martin. Martin has coached in the position for two years, and is a 1988 graduate of North Harrison.

Two volunteer track coaching positions were also taken care of for the high school varsity program.

Miranda Melton and Tim Martin were named as the volunteer coaches for track.

In the only non athletic related personnel move, the board took over funding of a multiple handicapped position in the special education program. Carrie Johnson was employed by South Harrison in the special ed co-op program, and will be paid by North Harrison. Johnson has always taught the multi-handicapped position at North Harrison Elementary.

In other business, the board:

Tabled revisions to the high school handbook.

Passed revisions to the non-certified personnel handbook.

Approved new social studies textbooks for the high school.

Applying a 30 day response period to any changes in board policy. Now, after a proposed new policy is read at a meeting the first time, the public has 30 days to respond to the proposed change. The policy change then has to be read again at the next board meeting before the board can then adopt it. "Board policies need to be looked at by everybody," remarked Superintendent Randy Barrett.

Using rental cars from Heritage Ford Mercury for the Driver's Ed program. Join St. Mary of the Knobs to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in style! Their 4th Annual Reverse Raffle is set for Friday, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. Only 100 tickets sold in increments of \$100, \$50, and \$25. Total cash prizes of \$5,500 – even losers have a second chance to win!