

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE  
23786 Indee Blvd – Independence, WI 54747  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
Wednesday, April 5, 2017  
**7:00PM Open Session – Digital Learning Room**

**1. Call to Order & Proof of Public Notice**

The Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Education of the Independence School District was called to order in the Digital Learning Room (301) at 7:02 pm by President Joe Bragger.

Mr. Schmitt confirmed the agenda was legally and properly posted.

**2. Roll Call of Members**

Present for roll call were Board Members Jeff Bautch, Bob Guza, Leah Matchey, Joe Bragger and Chuck Walek.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Hannah Halama.

**4. Public Input/delegations**

- a) Review recent written suggestions or concerns board policy #870 – None
- b) Thank you from SSPP – We used SSPP parking lot for the wrestling tournament. They sent us a thank you for the donation we sent.

**5. Student Spotlight**

- a) Xavier Payton – Reality Check  
Xavier talked to the Board of Education about his experience at Reality Check in Mondovi.

**6. Consent**

- a) Treasurer’s Report, vouchers and payroll

MONTH: April, 2017

BALANCE IN GENERAL FUND CHECKING (February 28, 2017 report)	<b>\$ 1,698,436.31</b>
RECEIPTS # 16560-16614	+ \$ 800,466.37
PAYROLLS (Mar 1, 2017-Mar 30, 2017, regular/supp)	- 165,186.61
EXPENSE REGISTERS:	- 532,416.98
(Vendor Checks # 133023– 133191	\$ 331,929.70)
(Manual Checks #90002539-90002569	\$ 200,487.28)
(Voided Checks	\$ -1580.00)

**BALANCE AS OF March 30, 2017: \$ 1,801,299.09**

**SAVINGS ACCOUNT RECAP**

STATE INVESTMENT POOL SAVINGS \$ 130.17

**OUTSTANDING DEBT & NEXT SCHEDULED PAYMENTS:**

**FUND 10**

Short Term Borrowing: \$1,000,000 Principal and \$19,777.78 Interest (**Due 10/27/17**)

**FUND 38**

#1 Note for WRS prior service liability payoff: Outstanding Balance on Principal \$87,564.02

Next payment scheduled for Dec 24, 2017 (\$60,545.01)

**FUND 49 REFINANCED DEBT** (issue 6/7/16)

*Loan for Energy Efficiency Building Upgrades: Outstanding Balance on Principal \$689,028.57*

*First payment was made March 15, 2017 (\$36,826.52 principal and \$7,989.57 interest)  
(\$45624.91 additional principal paid)*

Motion by Chuck Walek, second by Leah Matchey to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried 4-0.

b) Minutes of the prior meetings

i) Minutes of March 8, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Bob Guza, second by Jeff Bautch, to approve minutes of March 8, 2017, Regular Board Meeting.  
Motion carried 4-0.

ii) Minutes of March 22, 2017 Special Board Meeting

Motion by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza, to approve minutes of March 22, 2017, Special Board Meeting.  
Motion carried 4-0.

c) Employment (hire)

i) Teaching Staff

1) Long Term Substitute Special Education – Patti Schrenkler

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch, to approve long term substitute Patti Schrenkler, special education. Motion carried 4-0.

b) Employment (Resignation/retire/termination)

i) Teaching Staff – Sarah Zillman

Motion by Chuck Walek, second by Jeff Bautch, to approve resignation of Sarah Zillman with commendation.  
Motion carried 4-0.

ii) Support Staff – Katie Simmons

Motion by Bob Guza, second by Chuck Walek, to approve termination of Katie Simmons. Motion carried 4-0.

**7. Celebration**

a) Mr. Vanderloop – Kohl Education Foundation Leadership Award winner – Congratulations to Mr. Vanderloop on receiving the Herb Kohl Leadership Award.

**8. Discussion (Possible action)**

- a) Student Council Update – Hannah Halama updated the Board of Education with high school events and upcoming activities.
- b) Non-Discrimination For Immigration Status Resolution -- Will be brought back next month.
- c) Health Insurance – Mr. Schmitt explained current insurance quote to the Board. Sarah Suchla will talk to teachers about options.
- d) Teacher Handbook – Mr. Schmitt presented proposed changes to handbook. Board of Education discussed and asked questions.
- e) Support Staff Handbook – Mr. Schmitt presented proposed changes to handbook. Board of Education discussed and asked questions.
- f) Capital Purchases Maintenance of Effort Threshold – Bring back next month – threshold maybe \$500 to \$1500.
- g) School Board Development tool – Some board members still need to do it.
- h) Policy 458- Wellness (First Reading) – Went through policy reading.
- i) Elementary Science Curriculum – Deb Larson, Jenna Sonsalla, Shannon Matejka and Sarah Suchla discussed the new curriculum to the Board of Education. Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek, to approve curriculum money for science. Motion carried 3-1. Bob Guza voted no.
- j) Classroom Instruction – Mr. Nix highlighted the activity he had done in his world history class with his students.
- k) Summer Maintenance/Projects

Motion by Bob Guza, second by Jeff Bautch, to approve North Central Insulation bid for Roof and Tri-State bid for Carpeting. Motion carried 4-0.

l) Policy Review Services

i) NEOLA – Cost of service was presented

ii) WASB – Cost of service was presented

Mr. Schmitt will bring back plan for updating policy next month.

m) CESA 4 Contract – Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Bob Guza, to approve. Motion carried 4-0.

n) Senior Portfolio Adjustments/ACP – Looking into Career Certification and adding to senior portfolio options.

**9. Action**

a) Technology Purchase

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Leah Matchey, to purchase computers. Motion carried 3-1. Bob Guza voted no.

b) Emergency Nursing Services – Second Reading

Motion to approve nursing services by Jeff Bautch, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 4-0.

c) Approve Self Review of Non-Discrimination

Motion to approve self review of non-discrimination by Jeff Bautch, second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 4-0.

d) Youth Options

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Leah Matchey to approve youth options. Motion carried 4-0.

e) Volunteer approve – One Volunteer

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Bob Guza, to approve one volunteer. Motion carried 4-0.

## **10. Information**

a) Administrator's report

i) Mr. Vanderloop – Mr. Vanderloop updated the Board of Education for elementary/middle and special education.

ii) Mr. Schmitt – Mr. Schmitt went through grading committee – Title I application meeting, etc.

1) Consortium Update – Update on class option.

b) JFC Meeting at Ellsworth HS – April 19<sup>th</sup> – Mr. Schmitt is planning on attending.

c) YTD Budget Reports

Mr. Schmitt updated Board of Education on year to date.

d) 2017-2018 Budget Projection – Mr. Schmitt updated Board of Education on projection.

e) Board Goals- Board reviewed progress on goals.

f) Board of Education 12 month calendar – Board reviewed calendar.

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Leah Matchey to go to closed session at 10:39 pm. Roll call vote – Jeff Bautch – yes, Bob Guza – yes, Leah Matchey – yes, Joe Bragger – yes, Chuck Walek – yes.

## **11. Convene to closed session** in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1).

a) 19.85 (1) (c) considering employment, promotion compensation or performance data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility

i) Staffing Needs/Projections/Salaries

ii) Support Staff Leave Review

## **12. Reconvene into open session to take action from closed.**

Motion by Chuck Walek, second by Jeff Bautch, to go into open session at 12:11 am. Motion carried 4-0.

**13. Set next meeting date – Regular Board Meeting – May 3, 2017.**

**14. Adjournment**

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Leah Matchey, to adjourn at 12:12 pm. Motion carried 4-0.