

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**23786 INDEE BOULEVARD, INDEPENDENCE, WI 54747**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION - REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, September 3, 2014**

**Minutes**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Independence was called to order in the English room (311) at 6:36 pm on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 by President Joe Bragger.

**Roll Call:** Present for roll call were Board members Leah Matchey, Joe Bragger, Chuck Walek and Bob Guza.

**Convene in closed session in accordance with state statute 19.85 1 c to receive a special education update:** Motion made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Chuck Walek, to convene in closed session for the discussions on this item. Meeting went into closed session at 6:58 pm.

**Reconvene in open session to take any action:** Motion made by Bob Guza, seconded by Leah Matchey, to reconvene in open session; vote was 3-0 to do so. Meeting reconvened in open session at 6:59 pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

**Proof of public notice:** Dr. Vine confirmed the agenda was legally and properly posted.

**Public Input/Delegations:** Review recent written suggestions or concerns board policy #870. The district has not received any written or completed 870 forms.

**Consent Agenda:**

- a) **Treasurer's Report:** Question about Aristotle double pay - voided second check. Motion to approve treasurer's report including payroll and vendor checks; motion by Leah Matchey, seconded by Bob Guza (vote of approval pending clarification).
- b) **Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes of August 6, 2014 regular meeting was made by Jeff Bautch, seconded by Bob Guza; the motion to approve carried on a 4-0 vote.
- c) **Employment (retire/resignation):**
  - a. **April Falkner's** request for resignation approved with penalty. Motion made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Chuck Walek. The motion carried on a 4-0.
  - b. **Jessica Noe** resignation effective June 5, 2015 based on late hire. Motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Leah Matchey. The motion carried on a 4-0.

**d) Employment (hires):**

- a. **Jessica Noe - Kindergarten**
- b. **Lisa Guza - Daily Hours Modification**
- c. **Darin Gray - NHS Advisor**
- d. **Annah Sluga - C-Team Volleyball Coach**

Chuck Walek made the motion to approve all hires listed above, seconded by Jeff Bautch; motion carried on 3-0 vote. Bob Guza abstained.

**Celebrations and Acknowledgements:**

- a. **\$6000 Ashley for the Arts Donation.**
- b. **TOSA Trust** - The Independence SD was selected to the TOSA Family reading Grant. As a result for the 2014-15 school year every Kindergarten through 3rd grade student will receive at least one free book each month.
- c. **TCC \$1,000 donation** - TCC donated \$1000 for wrestling scoreboards.
- d. Acknowledgment of public donation of school supplies for beginning of the year

**Discussion: (Possible Action)**

- a. **Walk-in Cooler Repairs** - The board continued discussing options for repairs to the walk-in cooler. The district has received a quote from Benedicts and Schomberg's. The board agreed to get more details from Keith Pronchinski and discuss at Oct. 1 meeting.
- b. **Laptop Insurance Options** - The district is continue to review options to provide students and families an option to purchase insurance for the laptops. The administration will have a recommendation for the Oct. 1 regular meeting.
- c. **Cafetorium sound/projector upgrade** - update - continued discussion - no action taken

**Action Agenda:**

- a. **Second Reading policy #363.2 Responsible Use policy.** Motion made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Bob Guza to move forward. The motion carried on a 4-0 vote.
- b. **Delete 345.4 Part 1 & 2 Academic Achievement (duplicate from #345):** Motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Bob Guza to delete. Motion carried on 4-0 vote.

**Information:**

- a. **Administrator's Report:** Barry Schmitt made acknowledgement to the Board to make the commitment in the technology for the students. Mr. Schmitt indicated it has been a good start to the new school year. Mr. Schmitt wanted to acknowledge Nick Bergeron for his efforts and the lengths he went to acquire Spanish math books.
- b. **Strategic Plan update:** August 25 minutes.
- c. **Community Eligibility Provision** - *Requirements for schools to serve all students free lunch.*
- d. **Set Date for Annual Meeting** - Monday, October 20, 2014. Budget Hearing 7:30 - Annual Meeting 8:00.
- e. **Board goals DRAFT 2014-15:** Discussed goals for the upcoming year.
- f. **Board Roles and responsibilities - Policy #150:**
- g. **City Notification of Annexation of Real Estate by the City of Independence**
- h. **Support Staff Evaluation Update** - Dr. Vine shared the instrument to be used for support staff evaluations.

**Convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c ):** Motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Jeff Bautch, to convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c) Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. Meeting convened in closed session at 9:14 pm.

- a. **Teacher Contract Update**
- b. **Transportation Contract - Pape Bus Service**
- c. **Support Staff Wage Scale Review**

**Reconvene Open session:** A motion was made by Jeff Bautch, seconded by Leah Matchey, to reconvene in open session. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote. The meeting reconvened in open session at 10:10 p.m. .

No Action was taken as a result of closed session discussions.

**Adjournment:** Jeff Bautch moved to adjourn, with a second to the motion made by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 4-0, and the meeting adjourned at 10:14 pm.

**Minutes submitted by - Leah Matchey, Clerk**