

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE
23786 Indee Boulevard, Independence, WI 54747
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 8, 2017
7:00 PM 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 7:03 pm, by Vice President Chuck Walek.

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

2. Roll Call of Members

Present for roll call were Board Members Bob Guza, Leah Matchey, Chuck Walek, Jeff Bautch. Joe Bragger arrived at 7:48 pm.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Hannah Halama.

4. Public Input/Delegations

- 1) Review recent written suggestions or concerns board policy #870
Winter athletic awards banquet last night well attended per Jeff Ruhland.

5. Student Spotlight

- a) Middle School Forensics Students – Coached by Mrs. Gierok and Mrs. Loewenhagen: 5 of 24 students gave presentations to Board of Education – all 24 students received blue at Round 2 competition.

6. Consent

a) Treasurer's report

MONTH: March, 2017

BALANCE IN GENERAL FUND CHECKING (January 26, 2017 report)	\$ 1,223,678.40
RECEIPTS # 16460-16559	+ \$ 995,916.88
PAYROLLS (Jan 30, 2017-Feb 28, 2017, regular/supp)	- 246,993.40
EXPENSE REGISTERS:	- 274,165.57
(VENDOR CHECKS # 132887– 133022)	\$ 274,165.57)
(Voided Checks	\$ -1364.00)
 BALANCE AS OF February 28, 2017:	 \$ 1,698,436.31
 <u>SAVINGS ACCOUNT RECAP</u>	
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 \$771,480.00

First payment is scheduled for March 15, 2017 (\$36,826.52 principal and \$7,989.57 interest)

(\$45624.91 additional principal paid)

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch, to approve treasurer's March report.. Motion carried 4-0.

b) Minutes of the prior meetings

i) Minutes of February 1, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Bob Guza, to approve minutes of February 1, 2017, Regular Board Meeting.

Motion carried 4-0.

c) Employment (hire)

i) Teaching Staff

1) Long term substitute middle school – Cassie Geary.

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Bob Guza, to approve Cassie Geary as long term middle school substitute.

Motion carried 4-0.

2) Long term substitute special education – tabled.

ii) Coaches

1) Lauren Brodsky - Middle School track

2) Kayla Olson – Head Volleyball 2017

3) Jenna Sonsalla – Head Cross Country 2017

4) John Gooden – Volunteer Assistant Track

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

iii) Support Staff

1) Occupational Therapy – Amanda Jensen

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Bob Guza, to approve hire of OT, Amanda Jensen. Motion carried 4-0.

2) Special Education – Pamela Gray

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Bob Guza, to approve Pamela Gray, special education para. Motion carried 4-0.

b) Employment (Resignation/retire)

i) Teaching Staff – Anne Gierok. 34 years at Independence.

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch to approve retirement of Mrs. Gierok with commendation.
Motion carried 4-0.

ii Support Staff – Katie Simmons – No action at this time.

7. Celebration

- a) \$300 Scholarship – Trempealeau County Retired Teachers – thank you for donation.
- b) State Bank of Arcadia – credit card donation program - \$916.00 donation from Josh/State Bank of Arcadia.

8. Discussion (Possible action)

- a) Student Council update

Hannah Halama updated Board of Education with past and upcoming activities.

- b) Technology – discussion with quotes on Ipads/Macbooks.
- c) ACP/Portfolio Report – Future options for career certifications.
 - i) Reality Day – March 30th opportunity in Mondovi.
- d) Financial Audit Report – update by Mr. Schmitt about recent audit.
- e) Food Service Audit Report – thing went well in recent audit
 - i) Excess Fund Balance – discussed fund balance – purchase of racks.
- f) Review 870 Policy – In the future some matters will be brought to closed session and some items will go through chain of command and 870 process.
- g) Health Insurance – no quote yet
- h) Trempealeau Valley Co-op 2.0 Vision Meeting – discussed points to consider regarding the vision.
 - i) March 22nd Joint Board Meeting – 4:00-5:30 Superintendent – 5:30 – 7:30 Committee Meeting, 7:00-10:00 Whole board
- i) School Board Development Tool - handed out survey tool.
- j) Emergency Nursing Services – First Reading – Stephanie Pfaff, Denise Skroch, Kathy Warner and Patti Klimek went through the policy – first reading only.
- k) Request for Public Input Regarding Non-Discrimination Self Evaluation Cycle IV Report PI 9.06(2) Information to Board.

9. Action

- a) Gundersen Lutheran Athletic Trainer Contract

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek, to approve athletic trainer contract. Motion carried 4-0.

b) CESA 10 Contract

Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Chuck Walek, to approve CESA 10 contract. Motion carried 4-0.

c) 2017-18 Master Calendar

i) Minutes – discussion for 2-8 pm vs 1-7 pm for parent teacher conferences. 2-8 pm stayed. Vote 3-1.
Jeff Bautch voted no.

d) Wrestling Co-op with Gilmanton and possibly Eleva-Strum

Motion by Jeff Bautch, seconded by Bob Guza, to approve wrestling co-op with Gilmanton and possibly Eleva-Strum. Motion carried 4-0.

e) District Administrators Vacation Request – upcoming dates for Mr. Schmitt – he will notify Joe as needed.

f) Volunteer approval

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek, to approve volunteers. Motion carried 4-0.

10. Information

a) Administrator's report

i) Mr. Vanderloop

1) DLM Report – updated the Board of Education

ii) Mr. Schmitt

1) Proposed State Biennial Budget Review – updated the Board of Education

b) School Board Election Schedule – Canvas votes on April 5, 20107

c) Legal and Human Resources Conference Report – Mr. Schmitt presented notes of conference to Board of Education.

d) ECCF Scholarship Account Statements – for our reference.

e) Sectional Wrestling Report – All went well – about \$1000 profit for school. About \$6500 for Booster Club.

f) YTD Budget Reports

i) Revenue

ii) Expenditures

Mr. Schmitt went through budget.

g) Baird Forecast Models – Mr. Schmitt gave update that this tool may be useful to purchase in the future.

h) Board Goals

- i) Board of Education 12 month calendar

Motion to go to closed session at 10:06 pm by Chuck Walek, seconded by Jeff Bautch. Rool call vote – Bob Guza-yes, Chuck Walek-yes, Leah Matchey-yes, Joe Bragger-yes, Jeff Bautch-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) Math Department Update
 - ii) Staffing Needs/Projections
 - iii) Support Staff Leave Review
 - iv) Extracurricular Duties and Schedules

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

Motion to go into open session at 11:10 pm by Chuck Walek, second by Leah Matchey. Motion carried 4-0.

13, Set next meeting date – Special Board Meeting – March 22, 2017; Regular Board Meeting – April 5, 2017.

Motion to set next meeting date, Special Board Meeting, March 22, 2017 – 5:30 – 7:00 pm; and Regular Board Meeting – April 5, 2017 7:00 pm, by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 4-0.

14, Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 11:13 pm by Jeff Bautch, second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 4-0.