

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE
23786 INDEE BOULEVARD, INDEPENDENCE, WI 54747
BOARD OF EDUCATION - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, July 1, 2015

7:00PM Open Session - English Room

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 7:05 pm on Wednesday, July 1, 2015 by Vice President Chuck Walek.

Roll Call: Present for roll call were Board Members Jeff Bautch, Leah Matchey, Chuck Walek. Joe Bragger arrived at 7:10 pm. Bob Guza arrived at 7:11 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Public Input/Delegations

- a) Jeff Ruhland talked about Lisa Schultz Benefit on July 11, 2015. Jeff also introduced two new teachers.

1) Student Spotlight

- a) Badger Boys and Girls State Report - Justin Gierok, Brennan Christianson, Tessa Bragger, and Sophie Woychik talked to the group about their Badger State trip and the highlights.

Consent Agenda:

- a) **Treasurer's report, vouchers and payroll:** Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Leah Matchey to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried 4-0.
- b) **Minutes:** Motion by Chuck Walek and second by Jeff Bautch to approve minutes for last three meetings. Motion carried 4-0.
- c) **Employment (Resignation/Retire):** Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Leah Matchey to approve resignation of Emily Becker, Special Education instructor. Motion carried 4-0.
- d) **Employment (hire)**
 - i) Kerry and Katie Franks, Volunteer Football Cheerleader Advisor
 - ii) Julie Manor, Volunteer Football Cheerleader Advisor
 - iii) Chris Fremstad, Assistant Football Coach
 - iv) Jamie Bautch, Assistant Football Coach
 - v) Tracy Halama, Assistant Volleyball Coach
 - vi) Teresa Edison, Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach
 - vii) Julie Manor, Student Council Advisor

Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek to approve all eight listed above. Motion carried on 4-0 vote.

Celebrations:

- a) ACT and Badger Scores. Information only.

Discussion: (Possible action)

- a) **Student Council Update** - Sophie Woychik talked about homecoming events and the Badger State trip. Also talked about the parade during Independence Days.
- b) **Board Policy 352 (Field Trips)** - Possible that we have parents sign the field trip permission at the beginning of the year and simple reminders before actual trip.
- c) **First Reading of Elementary, Faculty, and Substitute Handbook** - First reading for changes - bring back next month for approval.
- d) **Summer maintenance and projects update** - Mentioned new business room getting ready and sidewalk replacement by dumpster completed..
- e) **Computer Insurance** - Will bring back next month - getting information on personal homeowners insurance policies, and facebook poll.
- f) **Referendum Discussion** - Joe Bragger discussed upcoming ideas and suggestions on communication, facility, curriculum, staff retention and community engagement.
- g) **Volleyball Practice Times** - Barry Schmitt explained changes to practice times due to Kari Peterson's (head coach) work schedule.
- h) **Board Retreat** - Set vision and discuss mission - values and goals at retreat/workshop. Set up google doc for calendar.
- i) **Board Goals** - Will review at Board Retreat.

Action Agenda:

- a. **Set Breakfast and Lunch Prices:** Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch to approve lunch prices as follows: Elementary - \$2.30, Middle School - \$2.55, High High School - \$2.65. Milk and other prices to remain the same. Motion carried 4-0.
- b. **Second Reading of Board Policy 662.1 Student Activity Funds** - Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch to approve changes. Motion carried 4-0.
- c. **Second Reading of Coaches, Athletic, MS/HS, Co-curricular Handbooks** - Motion by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza, to approve letter requirements change

to letter guidelines. Motion carried 4-0.

- d) **Request to attend WASDA First Year Superintendents Workshop** - Motion by Bob Guza, second by Chuck Walek to approve Mr. Schmitt's request to attend the workshop. Motion carried 4-0.
- e) **Request to change August Board meeting date to 8/4/15** - Motion to approve August board meeting date to Tuesday 8/4/15 made by Bob Guza, second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 4-0.
- f) **Administrators Vacation Request** - Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch to approve administrators vacation days with email to Board for Barry Schmitt and to allow Rob Vanderloop to go to staff development - but if he speaks and gets paid - he would need to take vacation day. Motion carried 4-0.
- g) **66.03 Agreements** - Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch to approve Whitehall - Animal Science and Eleva-Strum - Information and Technology Specialist. Motion carried by 4-0.
- h) **Referendum Timeline** - Joe Bragger went through Board/Referendum Timeline. Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek. to approve. Motion carried 4-0.
- i) **Volunteer approval** - Motion to approve by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried by 4-0.

Information -

- a) **PLC Convention Report** - Three teachers discussed their experiences at the recent convention.
- b) **Administrator's Report** - Barry Schmitt and Rob Vanderloop discussed previews and future activities within the district.
- c) **Gym Banners** - Information only on updating conference banners.
- d) **Alumni Homecoming Floats** - Class of 1985 wants to have a float during homecoming parade.
- f) **Board of Education 12 month calendar** - Briefly reviewed.
- g) **2014-15 Board Goals** - Briefly reviewed.

Convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility:

Motion made by Leah Matchey, second by Jeff Bautch to go to closed session. Motion carried on a roll call vote - Jeff Bautch, Bob Guza, Leah Matchey, Chuck Walek, and Joe Bragger. Meeting convened in closed session 9:45 pm.

Reconvene Open Session: Motion by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek to reconvene in open session at 10:32 pm. Motion carried 4-0.

Action taken from Closed Session

- i) Music Teacher Position** - No action taken at this time.
- ii) 2015-16 Teacher Contracts & Negotiation** - Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Chuck Walek, with changes indicated. Motion carried 4-0.
- iii) Support Staff Wages** - Motion by Jeff Bautch, second by Chuck Walek, to approve support staff wages. Motion carried 3-0. Bob Guza abstained.
- iv) Summer Agricultural Contract** - Motion by Leah Match, second by Chuck Walek, as recommended by Mr. Schmitt for Summer Agricultural contract. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment: Motion made by Jeff Bautch, second by Chuck Walek to close meeting at 10:42 pm. Motion carried 4-0.

Minutes submitted by Leah Matchey, Clerk