**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE**

**23786 INDEE BLVD.**

**INDEPENDENCE, WI 54747**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 3, 2013**

**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 7:04 pm on Wednesday, July 3, 2013 by President Joe Bragger.  
  
**Roll Call:** Present for roll call were Board members Leah Matchey, Bob Guza, Chuck Walek and Joe Bragger (Jeff Bautch absent), plus Superintendent Paul Vine, High School Principal Barry Schmitt, and District bookkeeper, Marita Halama.

**Proof of public notice:** Dr. Vine confirmed the agenda was legally and properly posted.  The pledge of Allegiance was recited.  
   
**Delegations/Public Input**:  None.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. **Treasurer's’ Report:** Motion to approve treasurer’s report including payrolls of June and summer payrolls for teachers, vendor checks # 128017 – 128107, and expense journal entries # 1774-1783; motion by Leah Matchey, seconded by Chuck Walek (vote of 3-0 approval).

b)   **Minutes:**  Motion to approve minutes of June 5, 2013 regular meeting and June 26 special meeting with the motion made by Bob Guza, seconded by Chuck Walek; the motion to approve carried on a 3-0 vote.

**c) Employment:**

**i. Resignation of Diana Halverson, cooks helper**

**ii. Resignation of Emily Kubow, special education teacher**

**iii. Resignation of Shelby Meier, special education teacher**

**iv. Resignation of Erica Lundberg, art teacher and VB head coach**

*Blanket action taken on the first three of these items, with a motion by Leah Matchey, seconded by Chuck Walek, to accept the resignations. No action was taken on the fourth item, since this is a “no contract returned” situation. Vote was 3-0 to approve the three written resignations.*

**d) Hire recommendations:**

**i. Grace McCauley as special education teacher**

**ii. Julie Booth as special education teacher**

**iii. Tim Woychik as assistant football coach**

**iv. Peter Ryan as assistant football coach**

*Blanket action taken on the four hires, with a motion to approve made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Bob Guza. Vote was 3-0 on the hiring items. (Tabled the head VB coach).*

**Celebrations and Acknowledgements:**

* Donation made to City of Independence and accepted by Officer Matt Pederson of the Independence PD for active shooter training participation by one officer.
* Autism Grant renewal in amount of $8000 for additional training and outreach was obtained for the 2013-14 school year.

**Discussion:**

**a) Trempealeau County request for donation for K-9 purchase and training:** Chief Officer Bryan Puent of the Trempealeau County sheriff’s department presented the request that is being made to many of the county groups, organizations, and schools to solicit funds to purchase and train another K-9 drug/search and rescue dog for their department. The item will be acted on at the August 7 meeting.

**b) Trempealeau County Sheriffs Department request to possess weapons for off duty officers on school grounds:** Chief DeputyPuent also explained the request and reasoning for allowing off duty officers to possess concealed firearms while on school property. The item will be listed for action on the August 7 agenda.

**c) Request from Trempealeau County sheriffs department for access to school security cameras for emergency purposes.** Deputy Puent explained the need and the process for creating a link to the security system of our school district so the sheriff’s department could access in times of emergency situations. The item will be listed as action item on the August agenda.

**d**) **HS-PBIS changes and updates:** Katie Marsolek, Dalton Gamroth and Brennan Christianson were present to explain the changes that will be made to the PBIS program at the high school level. Mr. Schmitt and Dawn Woychik also answered questions and provided background information on the program and the review process.

**e) Ag Science credit update:** Dawn Woychik provided updated information on number of student who used agriculture credits rather than pure science credits as meeting requirements for graduation. DPI is still reviewing the cross over allowances that were submitted on some ag courses.

**f) Portfolio Update for 2013-14:** Discussion was led by Dawn Woychik on the changes for the upcoming years on the requirements for the portfolio project and class work.

**g**) **Graduation policy # 345.6 revisions**: Principal Barry Schmitt and Mrs. Woychik discussed the changes for graduation requirements that will be requested for the next four years. They recommended the portfolio credit be reduced from 1.0 credit to 0.5 credit and increasing the elective requirement by o.5 credit.

**Action Agenda:**

**a) Managed Print vendor selection:** Motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Bob Guza, to approve the selection of Tri State Business Machines as the vendor for the five year managed print contract. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

1. **2013-14 lunch account pricing:** Paid lunch equity report was presented, and the motion was made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Bob Guza, to keep lunch prices the same as the

2012-13 pricing. Motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

**c) 2013-14 Athletic Handbook:** Chuck Walek moved to approve the split handbooks (student and coach versions) as presented, with a second by Leah Matchey. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

**d) 2013-14 Co-curricular Handbook:** Leah Matchey made the motion to approve the handbook, with a second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 3-0.

**e) 2013-14 Calendar Revision:** Chuck Walek made a motion to accept the revised calendar,

and Bob Guza seconded the motion. Subsequent vote was 3-0 to approve the measure.

**Information:**

a)  **Administrative Reports:**  Administrative reports presented by Barry Schmitt and Paul Vine.

**b**) **Board Goals workshop timeline/date:**   Board consensus was to select July 16 from 6-10 pm to work on Board goal development and to continue the review/development of the support staff handbook.

**c**) **Facility Update**:Building updates and move of rooms was updated, and progress was outlined. Roof inspection has been completed, but the report is not yet available. Track paint item has been addressed, and the baseball field problems with water ponding on the first base side of the field are being investigated.

**Convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c ):**Motion made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Bob Guza, to convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss support staff handbook.  The motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.  Meeting convened in closed session at 10:38 pm.  
  
**Reconvene Open session:** A motion was made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Chuck Walek, to reconvene in open session. Motion carried on a 3-0 vote. The meeting reconvened in open session at 11:37 pm. No announcement was made on action taken as a result of closed session discussion.  
  
 **Adjournment:**  Chuck Walek moved to adjourn, with a second to the motion made by Leah Matchey.  Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 11:38 pm.  

Minutes submitted by - Leah Matchey, Clerk

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