

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE  
23786 INDEE BOULEVARD  
INDEPENDENCE, WI 54747  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
Wednesday, September 7, 2016

**7:00PM Open Session – Digital Learning Room**

**Call to order and 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 7:01 pm., by President Joe Bragger.

Mr. Schmitt confirmed the agenda was legally and properly posted. It was also noted that the District non-discrimination statement was posted at the Post Office and on the school website since mid-August.

**Roll Call of Members:**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Hannah Halama and was recited by all.

**Public Input/Delegations**

a) Review recent written suggestions or concerns board policy #870

Jeff Ruhland – Track is finished. Still needs to be painted once the rain stops.

No 870's.

**Student Spotlight:**

a) Indee Choir Students – Due to Mrs. Lehmeier's mother passing – we are not having the girls tonight. Mr. Schmitt expressed his praise for their excellent performance at Ashley for the Arts.

**Consent:**

a) Treasurer's report, vouchers and payroll

i) Approve August Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve August Treasurer's Report by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 3-0.

1) Equalization Aid Clarification – Clarification by Mr. Schmitt.

MONTH: August 31, 2016

BALANCE IN GENERAL FUND CHECKING (July 31, 2016 report) \$ 855,700.50

RECEIPTS # 161205-16235 + \$ 131,099.63  
PAYROLLS (Aug 2016, regular/supp) - 97,517.41  
EXPENSE REGISTERS: - 425,466.20  
(MANUAL CHECKS#90002452-90002463 \$ 64,199.89)  
(VENDOR CHECKS # 132235- 132307 \$ 361,246.31)

**BALANCE AS OF August 31, 2016: \$ 377,054.79**

**SAVINGS ACCOUNT RECAP**

DEBT SERVICE FUND SAVINGS \$ 37,456.55  
STATE INVESTMENT POOL SAVINGS \$ 130.17

**OUTSTANDING DEBT & NEXT SCHEDULED PAYMENTS:**

**FUND 10**

Short Term Borrowing: \$1,000,000 Principal and \$8,360.67 Interest (**Due 10/28/16**)

**FUND 38**

#1 Note for WRS prior service liability payoff: Outstanding Balance on Principal \$143,872.96  
Next payment scheduled for Dec 24, 2016 (\$60,545.01)

ii) Approve September Treasurer's Report

- 1) Check Register
- 2) Receipts

Questions on activity funds.

Motion to approve September Treasurer's Report by Chuck Walek, second by Leah Matchey. Motion carried 3-0.

b) Minutes of the prior meetings

i) Minutes of August 3, 2016 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

ii) Minutes of August 3, 2016 Board Workshop

iii) Minutes of August 17, 2016 special Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of August 3, Regular Board Meeting; minutes from the August 3, Board Workshop; minutes of the August 17 Special Board Meeting by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 3-0.

c) Employment (hire)

i) Teaching Staff

ii) Fall/Winter Coaches

iii) Support Staff

1) Limited Term SPED Paraprofessional – Discussion on needs.

iv) Extended Contracts

v) Student Contracts

vi) Advisors

b) Employment (Resignation/retire)

i) Teaching Staff

1) Diane Engst – Kindergarten Teacher effective June 2, 2017

Motion to approve resignation of Diane Engst, Kindergarten Teacher, by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 3-0.

ii) Advisor

a) Kerry Franks – Cheerleading.

Motion to move to closed session by Leah Matchey, second by Bob Guza, Motion carried 3-0.

**Celebration**

a) Ashley Donation – Ashley Furniture donates \$20,000 to IPS for District STEM program.

**Discussion** (Possible action)

a) Student Council update – Hannah Halama updated the Board of Education of the past month – and upcoming activities.

b) MLT Fees - Cannot legally change parents.

– c) Cheerleading Handbook – Discussion on advisors – Full year vs. just football. Possible paid positions. Possible more games and student morale.

d) Policy 443.3 (Tobacco Use by Students) First Reading – First reading only.

e) Policy 831 (Tobacco Use by Staff, Administrators, Visitors) First Reading – First Reading only.

f) Eau Claire Community Foundation Accounts – Dawn Woychik explained the Foundation and where it sits, finances, and interest, etc. Scholarships available.

**Action**

a) Set date for Annual Meeting – October 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm Budget Hearing; 7:00 pm Annual Meeting.

Motion to approve date and time for annual meeting by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 3-0.

b) Volunteer approval

Motion to go to closed session by Leah Matchey, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Information**

a) Administrator's report

i) Mr. Vanderloop – Reports to Board of Education – update SPED and Elementary/Middle School.

ii) Mr. Schmitt

a) ACT Scores – Mr. Schmitt discussed ACT scores, etc., went through the reports.

b) Area Schools Board Member Salaries – Update area board salaries.

c) YTD Budget Reports – Discussion.

d) WASB Regional Meetings – Gave us dates for future meetings.

e) Board of Education 12 month calendar – Discussion.

### **CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION** in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)

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

Motion to go to closed session at 8:23 pm by Leah Matchey, second by Bob Guza, Roll Call vote – Bob Guza – yes, Leah Matchey – yes, Joe Bragger – yes, Chuck Walek – yes.

i) IT Specialist Applicants

ii) Support Staff Hours and Benefits

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

Motion to go into open session at 9:01 pm by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion to approve volunteer applications pending complete applications with video orientation, by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion to accept Kerry Frank's resignation as cheerleading advisor by Bob Guza, second by Chuck Walek. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 9:04 pm by Chuck Walek, second by Bob Guza. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted – Leah Matchey, Clerk