SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE

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INDEPENDENCE, WI 54747

Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 8, 2012

# 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 7:03 pm on Wednesday, August 8, 2012 by President Joe Brägger.

# **Roll Call:** Present for roll call were Board members Bautch, Matchey, Guza, Walek and Brägger.

# Proof of public notice and proper posting of the agenda were noted. The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Delegations/Public Input:** Deborah Schroeder suggested listing board meeting dates to newsletter.

**Consent Agenda:**

**Minutes:** A motion to approve minutes of July 11, 2012 regular meeting was made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Jeff Bautch; the motion to approve carried on a 4-0 vote.

**Treasurers Report:** Motion to approve treasurer’s report including payrolls of July, vendor checks # 26725- 26779 and expense journal entries # 1617-1626 was made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Jeff Bautch.

**Resignations:** Motion carried on a 4-0 vote. Motion made by Leah Matchey, second by Chuck Walek, to accept the resignations of Todd Kornack, Beth Moga and Amanda Schneider.

**New Hires:** Motion carried on a 4-0 vote. Motion made by Leah Matchey with a second by Jeff Bautch, to approve hire of Sarah David as high school English teacher; vote was unanimous to approve the hire. Motion made by Chuck Walek, second by Leah Matchey, to approve the hire of Emily Kubow as special education cross categorical teacher; motion carried 4-0. Motion made by Leah Matchey, second by Bob Guza, to approve the hire of Christine Pyka as Elementary teacher; motion carried 4-0. No action was taken on the assistant volleyball coaching position at this time.

**Reports:**

**FFA Update:** Mr. Hovell was present with four of the FFA participants who gave updates on the past year’s activities and accomplishments, and talked about FFA goals, SAE projects, and current classroom offerings.

**Action Agenda:**

**2012-13 handbooks:** Motion made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Chuck Walek, to approve eight handbooks: 2012-13 Student, Faculty, High School, Middle School, Elementary, Faculty, Support Staff and Substitutes. The motion for this carried on a 4-0 vote.

**Landscape Update**: Dan Filla forwarded a breakdown of the three sections of plans and costs for the landscaping re works on the area by the cafetorium doors, the area by the school sign, and the area on the front loop where grass is worn down by traffic. Motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Leah Matchey, to accept the bid for materials and labor to landscape all three area not to exceed the amount of $2878.00. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote.

**JV Soccer Coop Arcadia**: Five freshmen are currently taking part in non-varsity soccer at Arcadia; motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Jeff Bautch, to participate with Arcadia in a co-op program for the non- varsity for this year with costs to be pro-rated to the amount to cover the program costs; transportation to the practices is being provided by Independence staff, and back from practice is being done by Arcadia. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote.

**Board Policy JM Wireless Use:** Motion made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Jeff Bautch, to approve addition of an administrative rule addition to board policy JM “Wireless Use” to update the use policy regarding use of wireless devices in the classroom (I Pods, I Pads, etc.); the motion carried on a 4-0 vote. Also discussed was the issue of banning back-packs in the classrooms. Mr. Schmitt will address with the Middle School and High School teachers during in-service.

**Parent lunch notification software:** Motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Jeff Bautch, to purchase Word-ware Inc. software LCS upgrades with e-mail notifications for a quote price of $471.05. Motion carried unanimously.

**Principal Graduate credit reimbursement**: Barry Schmitt provided notice of completion of graduate school credits from summer session. Board approval to reimburse Mr. Schmitt after obtaining the official transcript was granted on a motion made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Jeff Bautch. Motion carried 4-0. Mr. Schmitt also asked to be approved for taking a second set of classes this fall, and the motion to approve reimbursement at the time of completion was made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Bob Guza. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

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**Information/Discussion Agenda:**

**Walk-in Cooler Repairs:** The kitchen compressor, condenser and evaporator unit in the walk-in cooler has to be replaced since it has failed. The replacement cost estimate from Benedict Sales & Service is $5200.

**Math Graduation requirements:** Discussion about implementing another math credit requirement toward graduation was discussed, but we need to gather more data first. Dr. Vine, Dawn Woychik and Mr. Schmitt will work on this so a recommendation is ready on or before the November Board meeting.

**Administrative reports:**  The tentative agenda for the staff in-service was reviewed, and the information about the WASB fall Board In-service on September 25 at Onalaska was detailed. Items listed for the September 5 board meeting agenda were hire of cook’s helper, possible paid position for a school web-master, and setting the date of the annual meeting.

**Closed Session:** A motion was made by Chuck Walek, seconded by Jeff Bautch, to convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c) (e) and (f) to discuss coaching and staffing positions, personnel and compensation. The motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. Meeting convened in closed session at 9:10 pm.

**Reconvene Open session:** A motion was made by Jeff Bautch, seconded by Chuck Walek, to re-convene in open session. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote. And the meeting reconvened in open session at 9:51 pm. Announcements made on action taken as a result of closed session discussion were as follows:

**Coaching Contract:** approval of conditional coaching contract for Kris Flury (assistant volleyball coach) dependent on qualified staff member declining the contract for 2012-13 school year. Motion carried on 4-0 vote.

**Adjournment:** Chuck Walek moved to adjourn, with a second to the motion made by Jeff Bautch. Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:57 pm.

Leah Matchey, Clerk

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