

# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDEPENDENCE

23786 INDEE BLVD.  
INDEPENDENCE, WI 54747  
Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, July 8, 2014

## MINUTES

The special meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Independence was called to order in the English room (311) at 7:00PM Tuesday, July 8, 2014 by President Joe Bragger.

**Roll Call:** Present for roll call were Board members Jeff Bautch, Leah Matchey, Joe Bragger and Chuck Walek. Bob Guza arrived at 7:09PM

**Proof of public notice:** Dr. Vine confirmed the agenda was legally and properly posted.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge of allegiance was recited by all.

**Celebrations/Acknowledgment:** Dr. Vine introduced Technology Integration Specialist Melissa Pientok, and Technology Technician, Cory Peterson.

### **Discussion:**

1. **Purchase/lease laptops or desktops:** Eleva Strum (ES) Technology coordinator, JB Grangaard gave the board an overview of the Eleva Strum School District experience of using Apple platform, hardware, as well as the the "one to one" distribution plan. He stated he has used a PC windows platform and the Apple platform. He believes the Apple platform is less susceptible to virus attacks and easier to manage.

He reviewed ES plan for implementation of the Apple platform and hardware. ES leased Mac Laptops three years ago and after two years traded them in to Apple. They received an average of \$450 per laptop towards the purchase of new Apple laptops. ES issues all Middle School and High School students a laptop which they can use at home and at school. In addition each teacher is issued a laptop. He also answered board member questions on benefits and problems with 1-1 implementation process, the ES policy on use of personal devices in school, and other related questions on policy and procedures.

The board reviewed the written proposal from Apple, ByteSpeed, CDW, Dell and HP. They discussed the pros and cons of using the Apple platform versus the PC platform.

Leah Matchey motioned with Jeff Bautch seconded the district select/approve the Apple platform and purchase 270 Mac Pro Air laptops. Of these 210-220 laptops will have an 11" screen with either 4 or 8 GB of RAM with the other 50 have a 13" screen with either 4 or 8 GB of RAM, with purchase of 270 individual Pelican carrying case for each laptop. Motion approved 4-0. President Bragger not voting

2. **One - One distribution to students:**Originally the technology committee had proposed the laptops be distributed to classrooms. Dr. Vine shared the proposed plan. Board members asked about the efficiency of this proposal in that during some periods of the day laptops would not be used i.e the Spanish teacher has 3 MS/HS classes and the other times the

computers in her room would not be used. the board discussed with input from JB Grangaard and Melissa Pientok the benefits of having students have their own laptop. Benefits include it would decrease wasted time logging in and out of a computer. Students would have their own machine that they can take from class to class. It is easier to monitor and track any damage done to the machine.

Motion by Leah matchey and seconded by Bob Guza to allow for laptops to be issued to each Middle School and High school student at or near the start of the 2014-15 school year with understanding that these will be checked in and out each day and remain here at school. It is understood that in the future the district may establish process for students to take them home. Motion approved 4-0. President Bragger not voting.

3. **Purchase additional Access points:** Motion by Jeff Bautch and seconded by Leah Matchey to purchase at least 10 access points to be installed in the HS MS area to increase connectivity. Motion passed 4-0. President Bragger not voting

**Information:**

1. **Thank You:** The board thanked JB Grangaard and staff members Melissa Pientok and Cory peterson for their input and assistance.
2. **Set date for Annual board workshop: July 28 2014.** Agenda to include discussion on board operating procedures, goals for 2014-15.

**Convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c ):** Motion made by Jeff Bautch, seconded by Leah Matchey, to convene in closed session in accordance with WI Statute 19.85 (1) (c) to discuss 2014-15 spring coaching contracts.. Meeting convened in closed session at 9:00AM pm.

**Reconvene Open session:** A motion was made by Leah Matchey, seconded by Chuck Walek,, to reconvene in open session. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote. The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:45PM. No Action was taken as a result of closed session.

**Adjournment:** Leah Matchey moved to adjourn, with a second to the motion made by Jeff Bautch. Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:48PM

Minutes submitted by - Leah Matchey, Clerk

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