

INDIAN RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.
SUSSEX CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

MINUTES

Call to Order

President Charles Bireley called the Regular Meeting of the Indian River School District Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members present: Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Charles Bireley, Mr. James Fritz, Mrs. Leolga Wright, Mr. Douglas Hudson, Mr. Gerald Peden, Dr. Heather Statler, Mr. Rodney Layfield, Mr. Scott Collins, Dr. Donald Hattier.

Approval of Agenda – December 19, 2016

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Presentation of Colors

The Presentation of Colors was performed by the Sussex Central High School Army JROTC.

Student Government

Natalie Atkinson, Sussex Central's student government representative, reported on events occurring at Sussex Central High School.

Approval of Minutes

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes – November 28, 2016.

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Board of Education Executive Session Meeting Minutes – November 28, 2016.

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Other Visitors and Staff in Attendance

Susan Bunting, Mark Steele, Jennifer Troublefield, Celeste Bunting, LouAnn Hudson, Jan Steele, Pep Lewis, Walt Smith, Joe Booth, Pam Webb, Janet Hickman, Heather Bethurum, Bradley Layfield, Neil Stong, Karen Oliphant, Judi Brittingham, Neil Beahan, Jason Macrides, Michael Williams, Michael Rodriguez, Karen Clausen, Heather Cramer, Bennett Murray, Kelly Dorman, Renee Jerns, Cliff Toomey, Walt Smith, Audrey Carey, Laura Walter, Glenn Rolfe, Dave Maull, JR Emanuele, Mark Tingle, Kelly DeLeon, Caroline Davis, Jordan Dorman, Carly Collins, Kelsi Warrington, Charlene Warrington, Steve Warrington, Isaiah Barnes, Miranda Mears, Mike Mears, Michele Mears, Noah Jones, James Smith, Shawn Tidwell, Breinor Escalante, Eileen Davis, Ian Davis, Dustin Davis, Christian Moore, Jeff Kilner, Mike League, Kevin Cash, Laurie Cash, Nathan Greenlee, Clifford Moore Jr.

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Special Recognition

- Academic All Conference (SC): Max Tolson, Nathan Greenlee, Patrick Ludwig, Devohn Hebert (Football); Jean Cameus, Breinor Escalante, Isiah Jean Baptitse (Soccer); Caroline Davis, Andrew Evan, Emma Evan, Vincent Mazella, Kelsi Warrington, (Cross Country); Carly Collins (Field Hockey); Julia Jenson, Miranda Mears (Volleyball).
- First Team All - Conference (SC): Myles Vernet, Justin Jones, Jordan Dorman, Christian Moore, Davonte Copes, Josiah Blake, Isiah Barnes, Zach Kuhns (Football); Morgan Burton (Field Hockey); Dalendy Dupervil, Maycol Escalante Roblero, Juan Perez Perez (Soccer).
- First Team All State (SC): Dalendy Dupervil (Soccer); Jordan Dorman (Football).
- NSCAA Regional All-American (SC): Dalendy Dupervil.
- 2016 Henlopen Conference Coach of the Year, Division I Coach of the Year, State Soccer Coach of the Year (SC): Kevin Cash.

Public Comments

- Mark Tingle spoke to the Board about better communication regarding the referendum.
- Jim Smith offered a short prayer.

School Choice Applications for 2016-2017

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the School Choice Applications for 2016-2017 as recommended. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Special Education Week

Dr. Statler shared with the Board about Special Education Week from February 27 to March 3, 2017 to spread the word about special education.

Georgetown New Century Club Proposal

The district has been approached by the Georgetown New Century Club to donate property to the district.

Indian River Educational Complex Exterior Painting Proposal

It was moved by Mr. Douglas Hudson, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Indian River Educational Complex Exterior Painting Proposal as presented in the amount of \$31,383.00. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

John M. Clayton Elementary Bleacher Repair

It was moved by Mr. Douglas Hudson, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the John M. Clayton Elementary Bleacher Repair as presented in the amount of \$875.00. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

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Georgetown Elementary Mural

It was moved by Mr. Douglas Hudson, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Georgetown Elementary Mural as presented at no cost to the district. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Sussex Central High School Electronic Sign Proposal

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to accept the Sussex Central High School Electronic Sign proposal as presented at no cost to the district. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Auditors' Exit Conference

Dr. Bunting presented an auditors' exit conference recap to the Board.

Old Business

Administrative Positions

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to table Administrative Positions until Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Referendum

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to table Referendum until Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Committee Reports

Athletic Fields Oversight

Mr. Douglas Hudson reported all schools are operating within budget.

Buildings & Grounds Committee

Mr. Douglas Hudson reviewed the minutes from the December 12, 2016 Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting.

Comprehensive School Safety Committee

Mr. Layfield spoke about the importance of safety in our schools, especially with recent current events.

Curriculum Committee

Mr. James Hudson reviewed the minutes from the December 12, 2016 Curriculum Committee meeting.

Finance Committee

Mrs. Steele reviewed the financial reports.

Mary Bailey Scholarship

Mr. Fritz will be meeting with the Board president and Board members to re-align the Mary Bailey Scholarship application process for the Spring 2017 applicant selection.

Special Education Task Force

Dr. Statler updated the Board on the Special Education Task Force.

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Policy Committee

Policy – 2nd Readings

KH – Online Donation Accounts

JG.4 – Suicide Prevention and Training

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfied, to accept the following polices for second readings: KH – Online Donation Accounts and JG.4 – Suicide Prevention and Training. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

IREA Representative

J.R. Emanuele spoke to the Board about the continued support of IREA with the upcoming current expense referendum on March 2, 2017.

Superintendent's Report

School Visits, Special Activities and Upcoming Events

Dr. Bunting shared the following report:

Special Activities

December is always a busy month. In the three weeks since the last Board of Education meeting I have resumed school visits, which have included all the classrooms at the Carver Academy, Lord Baltimore Elementary and John M. Clayton Elementary. In addition I have...

- Participated in the Resentative Longhurst-led Afterschool Task Force meeting at Buena Vista
- Met with both the Principals' and Assistant Principals' Advisory Groups
- Attended the monthly Chief School Officers' meeting
- Enlisted the assistance of several local legislators to encourage the Attorney General to conclude his investigation
- Chaired the December DPAS II Advisory Committee meeting
- Participated in the exit conference with Auditor of Accounts staff members
- Attended both Indian River's soccer and football banquets
- Enjoyed the Phillip Showell's, Howard T. Ennis', and John M. Clayton's holiday concerts
- Met with Lord Baltimore's faculty
- Joined the North Georgetown students and staff for the Scholastic Book-sponsored literacy kickoff event
- Presented the district new evaluation process at the DPAG meeting
- Participated in a Vision Coalition Leadership Team meeting via conference call
- Represented the district at a University of Delaware-sponsored reception for its new president
- Viewed Sussex Central's Take II's production of *Cinderella*

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Calendar Changes

Change North Georgetown Elementary Literacy Night from February 2, 2017 to February 21, 2017.

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the calendar change as presented. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Financial Reports

Regular Invoices for month ending November 30, 2016

It was moved by Mr. Douglas Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the payment of the Regular Invoices for the month ending November 30, 2016. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Major Cap Improvement Financials for the month ending November 30, 2016

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve Major Cap Improvement Financials payment authorizations in the amount of \$105,237.50 for the month ending November 30, 2016. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Minor Cap Improvement Financials for the month ending November 30, 2016

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve Major Cap Improvement Financials payment authorizations in the amount of \$72,098.91 for the month ending November 30, 2016. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Major Cap Improvement Change Orders for the month ending November 30, 2016

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the Major Cap Improvement Change Orders in the amount of \$12,323.00 for the month ending November 30, 2016.

Field Trip Requests

Overnight trip by Sussex Central High School Mock Trial Team on February 23-25, 2017 to Wilmington, DE.

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the Field Trip Request. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Executive Session

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to go into Executive Session at 8:04 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, student hearings, negotiations, and litigation. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Reconvene

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to reconvene in Regular Session at 10:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

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Personnel Agenda for December 19, 2016

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the Personnel Agenda for December 19, 2016. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Personnel Addendum for December 19, 2016

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the Personnel Addendum for December 19, 2016. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Student Hearings

Student Nos. 17-21, 17-23

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Hearing Officer's recommendations on Student No. 17-21 with no suspension on record.. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

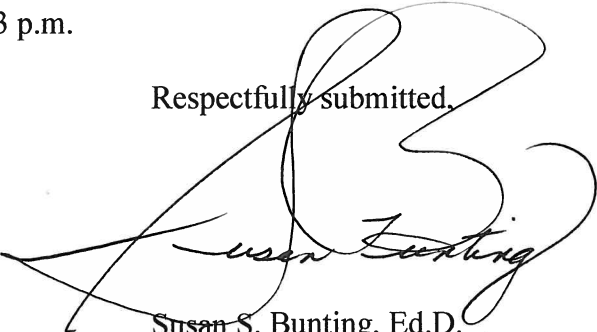
It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Hearing Officer's recommendations on Student No. 17-23. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

Adjournment

President Bireley adjourned the meeting at 10:33 p.m.

Charles M. Bireley
President
Board of Education
Indian River School District

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Respectfully submitted,

Susan S. Bunting, Ed.D.
Secretary and Superintendent
Board of Education
Indian River School District