

INDIAN RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 24, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.  
INDIAN RIVER 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. Gerald Peden, Dr. Heather Statler, Mr. Rodney Layfield, Mr. Scott Collins,

Board member late (7:04 p.m.): Dr. Donald Hattier.

Board member absent: Mr. Douglas Hudson

Approval of Agenda – July 24, 2017

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Approval of Minutes

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes – June 19, 2017.

It was moved by Mr. Peden, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Board of Education Executive Session Meeting Minutes – June 19, 2017.

It was moved by Mr. Peden, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Board of Education Organizational Meeting Minutes – July 3, 2017.

It was moved by Mr. Peden, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Other Visitors and Staff in Attendance

Mark Steele, Jennifer Troublefield, Celeste Bunting, LouAnn Hudson, Jan Steele, Pep Lewis, Walt Smith, Joe Booth, Pam Webb, Janet Hickman, Bradley Layfield, Neil Stong, Jeff Forjan, Michael Williams, Michael Rodriguez, Karen Clausen, Heather Cramer, Kelly Dorman, Cliff Toomey, Audrey Carey, Melissa Kansak, Laura Walter, Glenn Rolfe, Dave Maull, Gray Hughes, Kevin Patterson, Carrie Patterson, Bob Maloney, Rod DuFour, Tammy Elliott.

Public Comments

- Mr. and Mrs. Patterson spoke to the Board about School Choice. The family resides in Harrington, DE and would like their child to attend the kindergarten center in Georgetown. The child is on a wait list due to capacity at the kindergarten center.
- Mr. Rod DuFour offered a short prayer.

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School Choice Applications for 2017-2018

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve School Choice applications for East Millsboro Elementary The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Fritz, to approve School Choice applications for Georgetown Elementary The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve School Choice applications for John M. Clayton Elementary The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Mr. Collins, to table School Choice applications for Kindergarten Center. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve School Choice applications for Long Neck Elementary. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve School Choice applications for Lord Baltimore Elementary. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve School Choice applications for North Georgetown Elementary. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve School Choice applications for Phillip C. Showell Elementary. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to table School Choice applications for Georgetown Middle The motion passed (9-0).

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve School Choice applications for Millsboro Middle. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve School Choice applications for Indian River High School. The motion passed unanimously (10-0).

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to accept the principal recommendations for School Choice applications for Sussex Central High School. The motion passed (7-2-0).

For the motion: Mr. Bireley, Mr. Collins, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Fritz, Dr. Hattier, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Peden.

Against the motion: Dr. Statler, Mrs. Wright.

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve School Choice applications for Southern DE School of the Arts. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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### New Compressor Quotes for Sussex Central High School

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to accept the new compressor quote of \$29,565.00 for Sussex Central High School as presented by Joe Booth. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Long Neck Elementary Carpet Quotes

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to accept the Long Neck Elementary carpet/tile quote of \$18,400.00 as presented by Mr. Booth. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Howard T. Ennis Carpet Quotes

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to accept the Howard T. Ennis carpet/tile quote of \$16,300 as presented by Joe Booth. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Howard T. Ennis Future Land Site

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Layfield to table discussion of Howard T. Ennis Future land site until more discussion with Senator Hocker is made. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### New Century Club Donation

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to sell the donated property "as is" appraised value. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Indian River High School Athletic Proposal

No motion made. The board requested more time to review at the next Finance committee meeting.

### Old Business

#### Administrative Positions

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to table Administrative Positions until executive session. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

#### Administrative Salaries

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to table Administrative Salaries until executive session. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Committee Reports

#### Buildings & Grounds Committee

No report.

#### Comprehensive School Safety Committee

No meeting during the month of July.

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### Curriculum Committee

No report.

### Finance Committee

Mrs. Steele reviewed the financial reports.

### Mary Bailey Scholarship

Mr. Fritz reported 12 students renewed the scholarships' requirements and 5 new scholarships were awarded this year.

### Special Education Task Force.

No report.

### Policy Committee

No report.

### IREA Representative

There was no report.

### Superintendent's Report

#### School Visits, Special Activities and Upcoming Events

Mr. Steele shared the following report:

Superintendent's Activities for July 2017

7/3/2017 – Re-organizational meeting at IREC

7/5/2017 – Began principal summative meetings

7/6/2017 – School Board Retreat

7/19/2017 – Administrative Institute @ GWC

7/20/2017 – Administrative Institute @ GWC

### Financial Reports

#### Regular Invoices for month ending June 30, 2017

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve the payment of the Regular Invoices for the month ending June 30, 2017. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

#### Major Cap Improvement Financials for the month ending June 30, 2017

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve Major Cap Improvement Financials payment authorizations in the amount of \$43,814.03 and \$4,424.00 for the month ending June 30, 2017. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

#### Minor Cap Improvement Financials for the month ending June 30, 2017

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve Minor Cap Improvement Financials payment authorizations in the amount of \$93,163.05 for the month ending June 30, 2017. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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### Field Trip Request

(1) Overnight trip by Sussex Central High School FFA Chapter on October 23-28, 2017 to Indianapolis, Indiana.

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the Use of Facility Request. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Public Comments

Mr. James Hudson suggested the district start a School Choice committee.

### Executive Session

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to go into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, student hearings, negotiations, and litigation. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Reconvene

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to reconvene in Regular Session at 10:55 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Personnel Agenda for July 24, 2017

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Personnel Agenda for July 24, 2017, excluding Candidates Nos. 1, No. 6, No. 28, No. 37, No. 52, No. 53, and No. 54. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve Candidate No. 6 and on the Personnel Agenda for July 24, 2017. The motion passed (8-0-1).

For the motion: Mr. Layfield, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Peden, Mrs. Wright, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Collins, Mr. Bireley, Dr. Statler.

Abstained: Mrs. Wright.

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve Candidate No. 28 on the Personnel Agenda for July 24, 2017. The motion passed (8-0-1).

For the motion: Dr. Hattier, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Fritz, Dr. Statler, Mr. Peden, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Collins, Mr. Bireley.

Abstained: Mrs. Wright.

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve Candidate No. 37 on the Personnel Agenda for July 24, 2017. The motion passed (8-0-1).

For the motion: Dr. Hattier, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Fritz, Dr. Statler, Mr. Peden, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Collins, Mr. Bireley.

Abstained: Mrs. Wright.

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve Candidate No. 52 on the Personnel Agenda for July 24, 2017. The motion passed (9-0-1).

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For the motion: Mr. Layfield, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Peden, Dr. Statler, Mrs. Wright, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Collins, Mr. Bireley.

Abstained: Dr. Hattier.

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve Candidate No. 54 on the Personnel Agenda for July 24, 2017. The motion passed (8-0-1).

For the motion: Dr. Hattier, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Fritz, Dr. Statler, Mr. Peden, Mr. Layfield, Mrs. Wright, Mr. Bireley.

Abstained: Mr. Collins.

### Personnel Addendum for July 24, 2017

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Personnel Addendum for July 24, 2017, excluding candidate No. 9. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve Candidate No. 9 on the Personnel Addendum for July 24, 2017. The motion passed (8-0-1).

For the motion: Dr. Hattier, Mr. Layfield, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Peden, Dr. Statler, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Collins, Mr. Bireley.

Abstained: Mrs. Wright.

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the Transfers on the Personnel Addendum for July 24, 2017. The motion passed (8-1-0).

For the motion: Dr. Hattier, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Fritz, Dr. Statler, Mr. Peden, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Collins, Mrs. Wright.

Against the motion: Mr. Bireley.

### Personnel Contractual Agenda for July 24, 2017

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Personnel Contractual Agenda for July 24, 2017. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Student Hearings

#### Student No. 17-81

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve the Hearing Officer's recommendation on Student No. 17-81. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Administrative Salaries

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Administrative Salaries as presented. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

### Employee Travel

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Collins to deny the employee travel request.

The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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Adjournment

President Bireley adjourned the meeting at 11:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Mark L. Steele  
Secretary and Interim Superintendent  
Board of Education  
Indian River School District

CMB/MLS:jmt