

INDIAN RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2018 – 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. Derek Cathell, Mr. James Fritz, Mrs. Leolga Wright, Mr. Gerald Peden, Dr. Heather Statler, Mr. Rodney Layfield.

Board Members Absent: Mr. Collins, Dr. Hattier.

Presentation of Colors

There was no presentation of colors.

Student Government

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

Approval of Agenda – April 23, 2018

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

Approval of Minutes

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes – March 26, 2018.

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

Board of Education Executive Session Meeting Minutes – March 26, 2018.

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

Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes – April 17, 2018.

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

Special Recognition

- Delaware Junior All State Chorus (GM): Bailey Erskine.
- Sussex County Junior Honor Band (GM): Madelynn McTeer.
- Sussex County Junior Honor Choir (GM): Bailey Erskine, Blake Huffman, Benjamin Justice, Nacesseca Cherazard, Nakira Brittingham, Kendra Toomey, Priscilla Prieto, Erin Strunk, Wyatt Charles.

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- Robotics State Champions (GM): John Abbott, Wyatt Warner, Mark Wilkins, Anthony Mills.
- Delaware State FFA Convention Agricultural Sales Team Perfect Score (IR): Abigail Lathbury.
- All County Choir (SC): Janelle Ames, Garrett Anderson, Owen Buttridge, Matt Calio, Caity Kapner, Roy Truitt, Jake Ward.
- State FFA Degree (SC): Victoria Diaz-Hanzer.
- First Place FFA State Convention (SC): Tessa McDonough, Jenna Anger, Jessica Lewis, Tomas Cruz, Dylan Craft, Savanna Sykes.
- First Place BPA Sate Conference (SC): Kevin Greenlee.
- Attorney Coaches for SCHS Mock Trial Team (SC): R. Erick Hacker, Zachary Berl, Ashley Bickel.
- Individual State Champions Wrestling (SC): Rashad Stratton, Mason Ankrom.
- Henlopen Conference Wrestling Champion (SC): Drew Morris.
- Academic All Conference (SC): Jenna Anger, Morgan Gray, Macey Hamm, Adriana Lopez (Soccer); Will Kenney (Lacrosse); Kalib Morales (Golf); Madelyn Bacon, Emma Evan, Abigail Gray, Courtney Peden, Savanna Sykes, Brandon Greenlee, Michael Greenlee, Vincent Mazzella, James Truitt, Steven Portillo Ochoa, Penn Maxwell Smith, Asher Timmons (Track & Field); Taylor Evick (Softball); Ethaniel Watkinson (Baseball).

Other Visitors and Staff in Attendance

Mark Steele, Jennifer Troublefield, Celeste Bunting, LouAnn Hudson, Jan Steele, Jay Owens, Pep Lewis, Joe Booth, Pam Webb, Karen Clausen, Janet Hickman, Bradley Layfield, Neil Stong, Jason Macrides, Michael Williams, Jenna Argo, Karen Clausen, Heather Cramer, Renee Jerns, Kelly Dorman, Audrey Carey, Melissa Kansak, Judi Brittingham, JR Emanuele, Tyler Bryan, Clara Conn, Neil Beahan, Laura Walter, Glenn Rolfe, Gray Hughes, Mark Phillips, Jordan Marvel, Penn Smith, Shari Kerr, Jennie Warner, Larry Warner, Stacie Warner, Carisa Pepper, Melinda Justice, Ben Justice, Melissa Bleole, Brandon Greenlee, Paul Greenlee, Michael Greenlee, Linda Hockman, Melissa Kansak.

Public Comments

- Mark Phillips offered a short prayer.
- Jordan Marvel, teacher at Sussex Central, commented on the of the mock trail team at Sussex Central and all they have achieved in the past years. They have “success with class”.

New Business

School Choice Applications 2017-2018

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to accept the principal and superintendent’s recommendations for the School Choice applications for 2017-2018 as presented. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

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School Choice Applications 2018-2019

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to accept the principal and superintendent's recommendations for the School Choice applications for 2018-2019 as presented. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Mr. Steele explained to the Board the 3 different options of choice impact for school choice. He reviewed the 3 options:

- Option #1 – do not accept any school choice applications.
- Option #2 – accept priorities 1 through 7.
- Option #3 – accept priorities 1 through 9.

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield to modify option #2 to accept priorities 1 through 8. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Fritz, to exclude Southern Delaware School of the Arts with priorities 1 through 8 with SDSA limited on program applications. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

2018-2018 District Calendar

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the 2018-2019 District calendar as presented. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Selbyville Middle School – Replacement Serving Line

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to approve the replacement of the Selbyville Middle School serving line as presented by Mr. Toomey. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

North Georgetown Elementary – Replacement Serving Line

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to approve the replacement of the North Georgetown Elementary School serving line as presented by Mr. Toomey. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Sussex Central High School Band Uniform Funding

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Cathell, to approve the purchase next year with design to come at a later date. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Student Activity Funding

No motions made. More discussion needed.

Old Business

Certificate of Necessity

The Board discussed setting up a public meeting on May 9, 2018.

Howard T. Ennis

Mr. Steele updated the Board on the progress of the new Howard T. Ennis school project.

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Administrative Positions

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to table Administrative Positions until executive session. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Administrative Salaries

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to table Administrative Salaries until executive session. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Committee Reports

Athletic Fields Oversight/Buildings & Grounds

Mr. Fritz reviewed the minutes from the April 9, 2018 Buildings and Grounds meeting.

Comprehensive School Safety Committee

Mr. Layfield shared with the Board the VIPR training at Indian River High School on April 17, 2018.

Curriculum Committee

Mr. James Hudson reviewed the minutes from the April 9, 2018 Curriculum committee meeting.

Finance Committee

Mrs. Steele reviewed the financial reports.

Mary Bailey Scholarship

Mr. Peden shared with the Board that there were nine applications submitted, five were chosen receive \$2,000 scholarships. Eighteen scholarships were renewed. A total of \$46,000 was disbursed.

Special Education Task Force

Dr. Statler updated the Board with regards to the districts' focus schools. The district's webpage has been updated regarding the task force. We have partnered with the Georgetown Police department at Ennis for a pilot program for students safety.

Policy Committee

Policy – 2nd Reading

IICA – Field Trips and Excursions

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Fritz, to accept the following policy for a second reading: IICA – Field Trips and Excursion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Policy – 1st and 2nd Readings

KLA- Complaint Process for Possible Policy Violations.

IKA- Grading Systems.

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Fritz, to accept the following policies for first and second readings: KLA – Complaint Process for Possible Policy Violations and IKA – Grading Systems. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

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IREA Representative

Mr. J.R. Emanuele applauded the district for the open discussions with the public. With regards to the snow day make up days, we should contact the State Board.

Superintendent's Report

School Visits, Special Activities and Upcoming Events

Mr. Steele shared the following report:

Superintendent's Activities for April 2018

4/11/2018 – Major Capital Presentation - SCHS

4/12/2018 – DC SOA Meeting – Dover

4/13/2018 – Interviewed by WBOC-TV (Referendum)

4/16/2018 – Ed Breen Presentation - IRHS

4/17/2018 – Interviewed by WMDT-TV (Referendum)

4/17/2018 – Special Board Meeting - IREC

4/24/2018 – Sussex County Legislative Breakfast - SCHS

4/24/2018 – Secretary of Education's Scholar Recognition - Dover

4/26/2018 – District TOTY Recognition – IRSD

District Calendar Change

- Change the last day of school for students to June 7, 2018 and last day for teachers to June 11, 2018.
- Change SCHS senior awards ceremony from May 18, 2018 to May 21, 2018.
- Change SCHS senior exams from May 21-22, 2018 to May 22-23, 2018.

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield to accept the district calendar changes. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Financial Reports

Regular Invoices for month ending March 31, 2018

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the payment of the Regular Invoices for the month ending March 31, 2018. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Financial Position Report

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to accept the financial position report as presented by Mrs. Steele. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Use of Facility Requests

(1) Use of Indian River High School Track/Field on April 29, May 13, May 20, 2018 by Kon Lacrosse Academy.

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to accept the use of facility request. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

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Field Trip Requests

No requests.

Public Comments

No comments.

Executive Session

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to go into Executive Session at 9:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, student hearings, negotiations, and litigation. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Reconvene

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to reconvene in Regular Session at 10:39 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Personnel Agenda for April 23, 2018

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to approve the Personnel Agenda for April 23, 2018. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Personnel Addendum for April 23, 2018

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve the Personnel Addendum for April 23, 2018, excluding Candidates Nos. 145, 187, and 212. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to approve Candidate No. 145 on the Personnel Addendum for April 23, 2018. The motion passed (7-0-1).

For the motion: Mr. Bireley, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Cathell, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Peden, Dr. Statler, Mrs. Wright.

Abstained: Mr. Layfield.

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to approve Candidate No. 187 on the Personnel Addendum for April 23, 2018. The motion passed (7-0-1).

For the motion: Mr. Bireley, Mr. Cathell, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Peden, Dr. Statler, Mrs. Wright.

Abstained: Mr. Layfield.

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to approve Candidate No. 212 on the Personnel Addendum for April 23, 2018. The motion passed (7-0-1).

For the motion: Mr. Bireley, Mr. Cathell, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Peden, Dr. Statler, Mrs. Wright.

Abstained: Mr. Layfield.

Personnel Contractual Agenda for April 23, 2018

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hudson, to approve the Personnel Contractual Agenda for April 23, 2018. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

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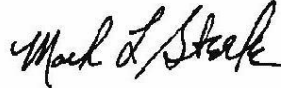
Student Hearing

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve the Hearing Officers' recommendations on Student No. 18-72. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Adjournment

President Bireley adjourned the meeting at 10:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark L. Steele

Secretary

Board of Education

Indian River School District

Charles M. Bireley

President

Board of Education

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CMB/MLS:jmt