

INDIAN RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.
SUSSEX CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

MINUTES

Call to Order

President Charles M. 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: Charles Bireley, James Fritz, Scott Collins, Shaun Fink, Douglas Hudson, James Hudson, (Mrs.) Nina Lou Bunting, Rodney Layfield, (Mrs.) Leolga Wright.

Board Member Absent: Dr. Donald Hattier

Approval of Agenda – April 29, 2014

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Presentation of Colors

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

Student Government

Katie Phillips, a member of the Sussex Central High School FFA reported on events occurring at Sussex Central High School.

Approval of Minutes

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes – March 24, 2014.

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Fink, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Board of Education Executive Session Meeting Minutes – March 24, 2014.

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Fink, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Other Visitors and Staff in Attendance

Susan Bunting, Mark Steele, Jennifer Troublefield, Patrick Miller, LouAnn Hudson, Celeste Bunting, Sandy Smith, Belinda Waples, Pep Lewis, John Eckrich, Cliff Toomey, Will Revels, Rick Evans, Neil Stong, Laura Schneider, Jay Owens, Char Hopkins, Kelly Dorman, Pam Webb, Janet Hickman, Audrey Carey, Neil Beahan, David Hudson, Sarah Green, Mike King, Mike Williams, Carol Marcellus, Bennett Murray, Walt Smith, Mike King, Kris Perfetti, J.R. Emanuele, Linda Hockman, Laura Walter, Sarah Lake Rayne, Sue Francis, Mary Katherine Messick, Pastor Richard Blades, Cathy Showell, Christina Wilson, Julianne Hein, Arlicia Gibbs, Tia Savage.

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Special Recognition

President Bireley and Dr. Bunting recognized and presented certificates to the following for their accomplishments:

- American Legion “Freedom” Essay contest first place winner (MM): Malachi Gibbs.
- Delaware FFA Convention first place winners (SC): Marten Holzinger (Individual Placing – Meat Judging); Zach Bullis, Brad Dorey, Katie Phillips, Robert Hasler, Ari Ruiz, Cheyenne Poe, Dylan Rose (Team – Novice Parliamentary Procedure CDE).
- First Team All-State (SC): Jasmine Hudson, Taylor Pritchett (Girls’ Basketball)
- Academic All Conference (SC): Taylor Pritchett, Clay Conaway
- All State Mixed Chorus (SC): Rhianna Wenke (Tenor), Daniel Keenan (Bass).
- All State Women’s Chorus (SC): Natalie Atkinson (Soprano), Rebecca Elliott (Alto).
- First Chair County Band (SC): Melissa Shevitz (Flute), Alex Messick (Percussion).
- State of Delaware Elementary Counselor of the Year (LN): Cathy Showell.
- Delaware Library Administrator of the Year (SC): Jay Owens.
- US News & World Report Best High Schools in Delaware Bronze Award: SCHS.

Public Comments

- Pastor Blades shared a short prayer with the Board.

New Business

School Choice Applications for 2013-14 and 2014-2015

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the School Choice Applications for 2013-14 and 2014-2015 as recommended. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Howard T. Ennis Funding Request

It was moved by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to move forward with the funding request for Howard T. Ennis School. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

DELDOT – Sussex Central High School Easements

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the DELDOT Easements for Sussex Central High School as presented. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Constable Training & Evaluation Funding Request

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Fink, to approve the Constable Training and Funding Request as presented. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

NG Major Capital Improvement Bid IRD 1401-14

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the NG Major Capital Improvement Bid IRD 1401-14. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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LN Major Capital Improvement Bid IRD 1401-13

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the LN Major Capital Improvement Bid IRD 1401-14. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Old Business

Administrative Positions

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to table Administrative Positions until Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Committee Reports

Athletic Fields Oversight

Mr. Douglas Hudson reported that all schools are maintaining their athletic fields within budget.

Buildings & Grounds Committee

Mr. Layfield reviewed the minutes from the April 15, 2014 Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting.

Comprehensive School Safety Committee

Mr. Layfield shared with the Board that all schools in the district are in compliance with the Department of Homeland Security.

Curriculum Committee

Mr. James Hudson reviewed with the Board the following topics of discussion from the Curriculum Committee Meeting on April 15, 2014:

- Kindergarten Update
- SpringBoard Differentiation Training
- SAT Revisions
- Science Lead Teacher Program

DSBA Board of Directors

Mr. Douglas Hudson reported to the Board that DSBA did not meet during the month of April due to the NSBA National Convention.

DSBA Legislative Committee

No report.

Finance Committee

Mr. Miller reported that the financial reports were reviewed at the Finance Committee Meeting on April 15, 2014.

Mary Bailey Scholarship

Mr. Douglas Hudson reported to the Board that the committee had chosen four scholars. It was moved by Mr. Douglas Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Bunting to accept the four scholar recipients. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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Policy Committee

Policies - 1st and 2nd Reading

JG – Student Discipline

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve policy JG-Student Discipline. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

IREA Representative

Mr. J.R. Emanuele questioned the possible impact of the Race to the Top Grant on teacher contract negotiations.

Superintendent's Report

School Events

Dr. Bunting reported that she has observed learning activities at Phillip Showell Elementary, Selbyville Middle School, and both Indian River and Sussex Central High Schools.

Special Activities

Dr. Bunting reported that she attended many events in April. For example she:

- Hosted the annual Legislative dinner.
- Attended PS talent show.
- Conducted student focus group sessions at SM and IR.
- Co-led the final meeting of the Educator Development and Support Subgroup of Vision 2015: The Next Decade.
- Conducted an Administrator Development Program (ADP) session.
- Participated in a PLC 3 training session.
- Led the Community School Partnership Committee meeting.
- Met with the director of the Vision 2015 program.
- Spoke at the district's Teacher of the Year celebration.
- Toured NG, KC, and SC with the head of Delaware's Teach for America program.
- Conducted the Lincoln on Leadership book talk for the ADP candidates.
- Participated in the past week's Innovative Technology Committee meeting.
- Spoke at the 2014 Freeman Stage "kick off" event.

District Calendar Changes

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the calendar changes to the 2013-2014 district calendar. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Superstars – 5/5/14

Dr. Audrey Carey introduced John M. Clayton and East Millsboro Elementary Spanish Immersion Program participants along with their teachers, who provided the Board with a learning demonstration.

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Implementation Plan

Dr. Bunting shared with the Board an overview of the guidelines of the Academic Framework.

Financial Reports

Regular Invoices for month ending March 31, 2014

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the payment of the Regular Invoices for the month ending March 31, 2014. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Financial Summaries for month ending March 31, 2014

Mr. Miller reviewed the Financial Summaries for the month ending March 31, 2014.

Major Cap Improvement Schedule of Appropriations for month ending March 31, 2014

Mr. Miller reviewed the Major Cap Schedule of Appropriations for the month ending March 31, 2014.

Major Cap Improvement Payment Authorization for month ending March 31, 2014

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the Major Cap Payment Authorization in the amount of \$118,729.33 for the month ending March 31, 2014. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Minor Cap Improvement Activity Summary for month ending March 31, 2014

Mr. Miller reviewed the Minor Cap Improvement Activity Summary for the month ending March 31, 2014.

Minor Cap Improvement Project Summaries for month ending March 31, 2014

Mr. Miller reviewed the Minor Cap Improvement Project Summaries for the month ending March 31, 2014.

Minor Cap Improvement Schedule of Appropriations for month ending March 31, 2014

Mr. Miller reviewed the Minor Cap Schedule of Appropriations for the month ending March 31, 2014.

Contingency Accounting Summary for month ending March 31, 2014

Mr. Miller reviewed the Contingency Accounting Summary for the month ending March 31, 2014.

Financial Position Report

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the Financial Position Report. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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Communications

Use of Facilities Request

- Use of Ingram Pond Outdoor Educational Center by Boy Scout Troop 281 on May 16 -18, 2014.
- Use of JMC school facilities by Mariners Bethel Church on June 20 – 27, 2014.

Dr. Bunting recommended approval of the use of facilities requests. It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Douglas Hudson, to approve the superintendent's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Field Trip Request

- Overnight trip by IR Odyssey of the Mind Team on May 27 – June 1, 2014 to Ames, Iowa.
- Overnight trip by SC JROTC on June 22-25, 2014 to Lewes, DE and Gunpowder Falls, MD.
- Overnight trip by SC & IR HOSA on June 25-29, 2014 to Orlando, FL

Dr. Bunting recommended approval of the field trip request. It was moved by Mr. Fritz, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve the superintendent's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Public Comments

Ms. Sue Francis from DSBA presented Board members with certificates.

Executive Session

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

Reconvene

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to reconvene in Regular Session at 11:50 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Personnel Agenda for April 29, 2014

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve the Personnel Agenda for April 29, 2014, excluding candidate No. 37 and No. 43. The motion passed (8-0-1).

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to approve Candidate No. 37 on the Personnel Agenda for April 29, 2014. The motion passed (8-0-1).

For the Motion: Mr. Bireley, Mrs. Bunting, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Fink, Mr. Collins, Mr. James Hudson, Mrs. Wright.

Abstained: Mr. Douglas Hudson.

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It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to approve Candidate No. 43 on the Personnel Agenda for April 29, 2014. The motion passed (8-0-1).

For the Motion: Mr. Bireley, Mrs. Bunting, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Fink, Mr. Collins, Mr. James Hudson, Mrs. Wright.

Abstained: Mr. Douglas Hudson.

Personnel Addendum for April 29, 2014

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the Personnel Addendum for April 29, 2014, excluding candidate No. 1 and No. 8. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to approve Candidate No. 8 on the Personnel Agenda for April 29, 2014. The motion passed unanimously (8-0-1).

For the Motion: Mr. Bireley, Mrs. Bunting, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Fink, Mr. Collins, Mr. James Hudson, Mrs. Wright.

Abstained: Mr. Douglas Hudson.

Personnel Contractual Agenda for April 29, 2014

It was moved by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the Personnel Contractual Agenda for April 29, 2014. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Student Hearings

Student Nos. 14-49, 14-50, 14-51, 14-52, 14-53, 14-55, 14-56, and 14-59

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Fink, to approve the Hearing Officer's recommendation on Student Nos. 14-49, 14-50, 14-51, 14-52, 14-53, 14-55, 14-56, and 14-59. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Adjournment

President Bireley adjourned the meeting at 11:55 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,



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

CMB/SSB:jmt