

INDIAN RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 – 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 M. Bireley, Rodney Layfield, Donald Hattier, Douglas Hudson, James Hudson, (Mrs.) Leolga Wright, (Mrs.) Nina Lou Bunting, James Fritz

Board Member Late: Donald Hattier (7:09 p.m.)

Board Member Absent: Scott Collins

Approval of Agenda – October 16, 2012

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

Presentation of Colors

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

Student Government

The student council president shared with the Board recent school events.

Approval of Minutes

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes – September 18, 2012

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

Board of Education Executive Session Meeting Minutes – September 18, 2012

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

Other Visitors and Staff in Attendance

Susan Bunting, Gary Brittingham, Jennifer Troublefield, Patrick Miller, Sandy Smith, LouAnn Hudson, Belinda Waples, Pep Lewis, John Eckrich, Dave Maull, Cliff Toomey, Lesia Jones, John Turssline, Melissa Kansak, Shaun Fink, Lorraine Tomlin, Bradley Layfield, Sharon DiGirolamo, Colleen Fake, Miesha Feddiman, Mikia Feddiman, Yvonne Collins, Victoria Wolverton, Shakia Hooper, Girlena Hooper, Mike King, Audrey Carey, Kelly Dorman, Carol Marcellus, Laura Schneider, Walt Smith, Mike Williams, Rick Evans, Maureen Nicholson, Char Hopkins, Renee Jerns, Jay Owens, Neil Stong, Neil Beahan, David Hudson, Mark Steele, Linda Hockman, Janet Hickman, Laura Walter.

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Oath of Office for Board Member

President Bireley administered the Oath of Office to the following Board member:

Shaun C. Fink – District No. 2 – Term Expires June 30, 2013

Special Recognition

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

2012 Delaware Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Education Teacher of the Year: Jessica Hudson (SC)

2012 Delaware Police Chief of the Year: W. Scott Collins

2012 National Title I School: John M Clayton Elementary

2012 Recognition School: Lord Baltimore Elementary and Philip Showell Elementary

2012 School of Continued Excellence: Long Neck Elementary

Public Comments

Miesha Feddiman, an 11th grade student at Sussex Central High School, expressed her concerns of the bullying she has experienced since fifth grade. She suffers both medically, physically, and emotionally from bullying.

New Business

School Choice Applications for 2012-13

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Fink, to approve the School Choice Applications for 2012-13 as recommended. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Race to the Top Grant; BRINC Consortium

Mrs. Sandy Smith shared with the Board the positive features of participating in BRINC Consortium Grant. The grant will be shared with Brandywine School District, Indian River School District, New Castle County Vo-Tech, and Colonial School District.

American Education Week Resolution – November 11-17, 2012

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to approve the American Education Week Resolution for October 15-19, 2012. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Old Business

Certificate of Necessity, Referendum, Full Day Kindergarten, Administrative Salaries, Administrative Positions

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to table discussion on the above items to executive session. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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Committee Reports

Athletic Fields Oversight

No report.

Buildings & Grounds Committee

Mr. Layfield reported that the Buildings & Grounds Committee met on October 8, 2012.

Mr. Layfield reported on the following items:

- IRHS –The practice football field was discussed and suggested that a contractor would give the committee a quote on repairs
- SCHS- irrigation is working and grass is growing.
- Full Day kindergarten
- Georgetown Middle School auditorium renovations

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to accept the bid to purchase library furniture for East Millsboro Elementary School. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Comprehensive School Safety

No report.

Curriculum Committee

Mr. James Hudson reported that the Curriculum Committee met on October 8, 2012.

Mr. James Hudson reported on the following items:

- Spanish Immersion.
- Common Core Standard
- Professional development.
- Full day kindergarten.
- The next meeting date is Monday, December 19th at 3:15 p.m. in the IREC conference room.

DSBA Board of Directors

No report

DSBA Legislative Committee

Mr. Bireley shared with the board items discussed at the meeting on October 10, 2012. Items discussed were no consolidation of schools, restore funding to 2008 level.

Finance Committee

Mr. Miller reported that the financial reports were reviewed at the Finance Committee Meeting on October 8, 2012.

Mary Bailey Scholarship

No report

Policy Committee

No Report

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IREA Representative

Mr. Emanuele shared with the Board some concerns that teachers have about the new BRINC Consortium Grant.

Superintendent's Report

Special Events

Dr. Bunting shared with the Board recent school visits and activities in the District:

- Presented a "Superior" school banner to Millsboro Middle Schoolers at their end-of-the-month PBS assembly
- Hosted a Community School Partnership Committee meeting at Georgetown Middle School
- Joined four of the district's Vision 2015 leadership teams during their kick off session in Dover
- Spoke at the district's Academic Achievement Celebration
- Enjoyed the featured chemist's presentation and the varied activities at the final STEM family event at Indian River High School
- Conferred with student focus groups at both high schools
- Returned to the IR focus group with the Supervisor of Nutrition Services, Cliff Toomey, to discuss changes in school lunches
- Posted the completed 2011-2012 scorecard on the district website
- Attended portions of all home football games
- Participated in multiple phone conferences and meetings related to the Race to the Top grant
- Again met with Sussex Central leaders to plan for the International Baccalaureate program's opening in September 2012
- Attended the Chief's Fall Retreat in Rehoboth
- Conducted a make-up session for the district administrators' who missed the first of our PLC Package Plus sessions
- Met with IREA liaisons
- Hosted a teacher of the year focus group
- Represented the Sussex County Chief School Officers at the first of a series of FY '14 budget meeting at the Office of Management and Budget
- Proudly attended the Recognition Celebration in Laurel last Wednesday
- Visited with local mayors regarding the myriad opportunities linked to the Race to the Top 2 funds for which we're competing
- Met with Secretary of Education, whose meeting featured presenters from the College Board who shared both statistics about insights into SAT's.

Unit Count Summary

Mr. Brittingham shared with the Board the enrollment and units as of September 30, 2012.

Nutrition Services

Mr. Toomey shared with the Board the USDA nutritional guidelines regarding food served to the students.

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Financial Reports

Regular Invoices for month ending September 30, 2012

It was moved by Dr. Doug Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to approve the payment of the Regular Invoices for the month ending September 30, 2012. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Financial Summaries for month ending September 30, 2012

Mr. Miller reviewed the Financial Summaries for the month ending September 30, 2012.

Minor Cap Improvement Schedule of Projects for month ending September 30, 2012

Mr. Miller reviewed the Minor Cap Improvement Schedule of Projects for the month ending September 30, 2012.

Minor Cap Change Orders for month ending September 30, 2012

Mr. Miller reviewed that there were no Minor Cap Change Orders for the month ending September 30, 2012.

Minor Cap Improvement Payment Authorizations for month ending September 30, 2012

Mr. Miller reviewed the Minor Cap Improvement Payment Authorizations for the month ending September 30, 2012.

Minor Cap Improvement Schedule of Minor Cap Appropriations for month ending September 30, 2012

Mr. Miller reviewed the Minor Cap Improvement Schedule of Minor Cap Appropriations for the month ending September 30, 2012.

Contingency Accounting Synopsis for month ending September 30, 2012

Mr. Miller reviewed the Contingency Accounting Synopsis for month ending September 30, 2012.

Communications

Field Trip Request

- (1) Overnight trip by IR Band and Show Choir – April 11-13, 2013, to Atlanta, GA
- (2) Overnight trip by IR Wrestling Team–December 28-29, 2012, to Baltimore, MD
- (3) Overnight trip by IR Wrestling Team-January 4-5, 2013, to Manassas, VA

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

Public Comments

No comments.

Executive Session

It was moved by Mr. Doug Hudson, seconded by Mr. Layfield, to go into Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, student hearings, and litigation. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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Reconvene

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to reconvene in Regular Session at 11:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Personnel

Personnel Agenda for October 16, 2012

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve the Personnel Agenda for October 16, 2012, excluding Candidate No. 7. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to approve Candidate No. 7 on the Personnel Agenda for October 16, 2012. The motion passed (8-1).

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

Abstained: Mr. Doug Hudson

Personnel Addendum for October 16, 2012

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to approve the Personnel Addendum for October 16, 2012, excluding candidate No. 15. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve Candidate No. 15 on the Personnel Addendum for October 16, 2012. The motion passed (8-1).

For the Motion: Mr. Bireley, Mrs. Bunting, Dr. Hattier, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Doug Hudson, Mr. Fritz, Mr. Fink, Mrs. Wright

Abstained: Mr. Layfield

Personnel Contractual Agenda for October 16, 2012

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve the Personnel Contractual Agenda for October 16, 2012. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Student Hearings

Student No. 13-02, 13-03

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. James Hudson, to approve the Hearing Officers' recommendations on Student No. 13-02, Student No. 13-03. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Administrative Salaries

It was moved by Mr. James Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Bunting, to accept the administration's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

Administrative Positions

It was moved by Mr. Layfield, seconded by Mr. Doug Hudson, to delay discussion on the district investigator position for 90 days. The motion passed unanimously (9-0).

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Adjournment

President Bireley adjourned the meeting at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan S. Bunting". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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

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

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