

MINUTES

INDIANA AREA BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

May 1, 2006

The special monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Indiana Area School District was held on Monday, May 1, 2006, at 7:04 p.m. in the Senior High auditorium, 450 N. Fifth Street, Indiana, PA. All members were notified of time and place of meeting, and a public notice was properly posted. The meeting began with the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following members present: Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Billon, Mrs. Hatcher, Mrs. Paccapaniccia, Mrs. Schrecongost, Mr. Schroth and Mr. Trimarchi. Mr. Balint was out of town. Mr. Airhart arrived late.

Dr. Kathleen Kelley, Superintendent; Dr. Deborah Clawson, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Donald Gardner, Business Manager; and Mrs. Anise Markle, Secretary, were also present.

WELCOME TO VISITORS

Mr. Trimarchi extended a welcome to the visitors attending the meeting.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Walter Schroth and Mr. Tom Harley presented the three proposals for the senior high gymnasium/fitness center. They responded to questions from the board members.

MR. AIRHART ARRIVED AT 7:10 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON GYMNASIUM/FITNESS CENTER PROPOSALS

Mr. Mark Ziliniskas, Mrs. Paula Daskivich, and Mr. Pat Snyder thanked the committee members for conducting very productive meetings. They commended them for including the community members, staff, and coaches in their committee meetings. Mrs. Malinda Oesterling expressed concerns about other sports getting enough gym time for practice especially the volleyball team. Mr. John Barbor commended the building and grounds committee on the job done with the proposals. He, also, urged them not to consider a phase development plan for the project. Mr. Joel Mlecko thanked the board for having such an open process approach with public involvement. He also thanked them for being fiscally responsible and for providing options to the project. Mr. Walt David asked various questions concerning the project. Mr. Dave Woodall was pleased that the board was considering the need for a bigger and safer facility. Mr. Schamus reminded the board that declining enrollment does not mean declining participation in sports. He also thanked the committee for all of their efforts. Mrs. Piccolini thanked all the committee members for doing the right thing.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Mr. Trimarchi announced that the next board meeting would be the regular meeting on May 8, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the senior high auditorium.

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Trimarchi announced that an executive session would be held after the open meeting to discuss personnel issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mrs. Hatcher and unanimously approved, the special meeting of the Indiana Area Board of School Directors of May 1, 2006 was properly adjourned at 8:11p.m.

Anise M. Markle, Secretary