

MINUTES

INDIANA AREA BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

June 14, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Indiana Area School District was held on Monday, June 14, 2010, at 7:40 p.m. in the East Pike board room, 501 East Pike, 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: Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Billon, Dr. Ferguson, Mr. Girardi, Mr. Schroth, Mr. Steve, Mr. Trimarchi and Mr. Werner. Mrs. Paccapaniccia was absent.

Dr. Deborah Clawson, Superintendent; Mr. Dale R. Kirsch, Business Manager/Recording Secretary; and Ms. Trish Andrews, Solicitor were also present.

WELCOME TO VISITORS

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

BOARD PRESIDENT MESSAGE

Mr. Girardi announced additional options have been proposed for the facility study and all options will be discussed at the June 28 meeting and the public is encouraged to attend. Contrary to a recent letter to the editor, no pool has been proposed as part of any option.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Josie Cunningham asked the board to reconsider permitting public comment at the end of board meetings.

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It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon that the minutes of the May 24, 2010 Board meeting be approved as submitted. (Exh. 1) Motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Upon motion by Mrs. Billon and seconded by Mr. Steve the current bills were unanimously approved as submitted. (Exh. 2).

PRESENTATION

Dr. Clawson presented information on the movement of 9th grade and the school board members discussed the possible impact and answered questions.

AGREEMENTS

It was moved by Mrs. Billon and seconded by Mr. Steve that the board approves the following agreements:

Agreement With Catanese Group

That consulting services outlined in the Letter of Engagement between The Catanese Group and the Indiana Area School District dated May 20, 2010 be approved. (Exh. 3)

Agreement With Adelphoi Village

Submitted for the Board's review was the renewal agreement with Adelphoi Village to provide a general alternative education program. (Exh. 4)

That the agreement with Adelphoi Village to provide general alternative education for the 2010-2011 school year be approved as presented.

Agreement With Citizen Ambulance

Submitted for the Board's review was a contract between Indiana Area School District and Citizen's Ambulance Service, Inc. for the purpose of providing a fully equipped and staffed ambulance for all Varsity, Junior Varsity and Junior High football games at a cost of \$3700. (Exh. 5)

That the contract between the Indiana Area School District and Citizen's Ambulance Service, Inc. for the 2010-2011 school year be approved as submitted.

Athletic Trainer Services Agreement

Submitted for the Board's review was a three-year agreement from Indiana Total Therapy outlining and recommending Athletic Trainer Services for 2010-2011 at \$20,396.22, for 2011-2012 at \$21,008.11 and 2012-2013 at \$21,428.28. (Exh. 6)

That the three-year agreement between the Indiana Area School District and Indiana Total Therapy be approved as submitted.

Physician Services Agreement

Submitted for the Board's consideration was an agreement from Center for Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine (COSM) outlining and recommending Physician Services for the 2010-2011 school year at a cost of \$5,000. (Exh. 7)

That the contract for Physician Services for athletic contests and sports medicine administration for the 2010-2011 school year be approved as submitted.

Motion passed unanimously.

ATHLETIC OFFICIALS' RATES

It was moved by Mrs. Billon and seconded by Mrs. Baker the Athletic Officials' Rates for 2010-2011 be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously. (Exh. 8)

COOPERATIVE PURCHASING

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon that the Board of School Directors authorize participation in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit 3 Supply Catalog Bid Award on a continuous basis. Motion passed unanimously. (Exh. 9)

USE OF FACILITY POLICY GUIDELINES

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Baker that the Guidelines for Policy 707, Use of Facilities, be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously. (Exh. 10)

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN and DENTIST

It was moved by Mr. Schroth and seconded by Mrs. Baker that Dr. Shafic Twal be re-appointed school district physician for 2010-2011 at a rate of \$4500 plus \$5 per mandated physical and that the Indiana County Dental Society and affiliated dentists be re-appointed school district dentists for 2010-2011 at a rate of \$1000 plus \$1.50 per mandated dental exam.

Motion passed unanimously.

INSURANCE RENEWAL

Submitted for the Board's information was a memorandum concerning the renewal of the insurance coverage for the 2010-2011 fiscal year at a total cost of \$350,877 broken down as follows: (Exh. 11)

Package Policy	\$ 67,007
Excess (Umbrella)	\$ 12,966
Commercial Auto	\$ 6,506
Errors and Omissions	\$ 24,110
Athletic	\$ 13,230
Mine Subsidence	\$ 614
Privacy/Network Liability	\$ 7,189
Workers Compensation	\$219,255

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon in accordance with the recommendation of administration, that the Board renews its insurance coverage for the 2010-2011 fiscal year at a cost of \$350,877. Motion passed unanimously.

TENURE

It was moved by Mr. Werner and seconded by Mr. Steve that Michael Bertig, Senior High Social Studies teacher; Donald Bowers, Senior High Special Education teacher; Beth Anne Porter, Senior High art teacher; Katherine Acker, Junior High French teacher; Larry Cadile, Keri Marshall, Jacalyn Matz, Katharine McCutcheon, Sean Moran Rosemary Palya and Ann Marie Stalteri, Ben Franklin Elementary teachers; Jenna Bleggi, Leanne Jack, Ashley Rosendale, and Zachary Whited, East Pike Elementary

teachers; Sara Bond, Eisenhower Elementary teacher; and Heather Brunetta and Jason Stubbe, Horace Mann Elementary teachers who have satisfactorily completed three years of teaching, be issued tenure contracts. Motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon, based on the recommendation of administration, that Erin Greenawalt be elected as a Speech and Language teacher effective August 26, 2010 in accordance with her certification and at an annual salary of \$57,767 (M.S., Step 1). Motion passed unanimously.

SUMMER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Billon and seconded by Mr. Steve that the Board approves the following professional development opportunities during June, July, and August of 2010, to be paid according to the collective bargaining agreement:

Office 2010 Workshop – 10 participants – up to 8 hours each (per diem rate)
Secondary English Workshop – 15 participants – up to 8 hours each (voluntary workshop rate)
Math Curriculum and Assessment – 2 participants – up to 8 hours each (per diem rate)
Gifted IEP Training – 3 participants – up to 4 hours each (voluntary workshop rate)
Safe Schools Report – 1 participant – up to 8 hours (per diem rate)
Olweus – Core Team Members – 144 hours for Ben Franklin and Horace Mann; 120 hours for Eisenhower; 144 hours for East Pike and 192 hours for Junior high (per diem rate)

Motion passed unanimously.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR 2010-2011

It was moved by Mrs. Billon and seconded by Mr. Steve that the Board approves the following professional development opportunities during the 2010-2011 school year, to be paid according to the collective bargaining agreement from Title IIA professional development funds:

Induction – 10 participants – up to 20 hours each
Curriculum Council – 6 participants – up to 10 hours each
Curriculum Committees for Social Studies, language Arts, Science, Mathematics and Educational Technology – 10 participants on each committee – 4 hours each

Motion passed unanimously.

EXTRA DUTY/EXTRA PAY ASSIGNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon, in accordance with the recommendation of administration, that the following extra duty/extra pay assignments for the 2010-2011 school year be approved.

Asst. Boys' Soccer(SH) \$3,566.11 Ahmed Affaneh Not an employee

Motion passed 6 to 2 with Mr. Schroth and Mr. Trimarchi voting no.

PLANNED COURSE OF STUDY AND TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon:

- 1) That, on the recommendation of administration, the Board approves the revised planned course for ESL (K-12), and adopts textbooks Edge (Hampton-Brown, 2006) and Treasure Chest (Macmillan, 2009), at a cost to the district not to exceed \$32,000.
- 2) That, on the recommendation of administration, the Board approves the revised planned courses for Library (K-12), the upgrade to Destiny Library Manager software (Follett) and scanners at a cost to the district not to exceed \$24,000, and the increase in annual subscription fees (increase of \$4242.76 for a total of \$10,639.36) to Follett and Access PA.

Motion passed unanimously.

REVISIONS TO THE ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIORAL GUIDELINES AND DISCIPLINE POLICY HANDBOOK

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon that the board approves the proposed revisions to the Attendance, Behavioral Guidelines and Discipline Policy Handbook as presented. Motion passed unanimously. (Exh. 12)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Clawson issued a thank you to all teachers, staff and administrators for completion of another school year. She stated the student designed and delivered baccalaureate was held on May 30 and graduation was on June 3.

2010-2011 Budget

Mr. Kirsch presented options for consideration of the millage rate and budget expenditures based on budget discussions to date.

Discussed the need for a meeting on June 21 and the consensus was to not schedule a meeting as additional budget discussions were held.

ENCLOSURES

- Activity Fund Treasurers' Reports – All Buildings (Exh. 13)
- Enrollment Report – June 1, 2009 - June 1, 2010 (Exh. 14)
- Investment Analysis – May 2010 (Exh. 15)
- Conference Resumes: Maria Versace (Exh. 16)
- Principal's Newsletters Senior High – June 2010 (Exh. 17)
- ARIN – June 15, 2010 – Agenda (Exh. 18)
- ARIN – May 19, 2010 – Minutes (Exh. 19)

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Mr. Girardi announced that the next board meeting would be the special meeting on June 28, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. for general purposes and budget adoption.

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Girardi announced that an executive session was held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. before the open meeting to discuss personnel and labor relation issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Steve, seconded by Mrs. Baker and unanimously approved, the regular meeting of the Indiana Area Board of School Directors of June 14, 2010 was properly adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Anise M. Markle, Board Secretary