

## MINUTES

### INDIANA AREA BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

**September 28, 2009**

A special monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Indiana Area School District was held on Monday, September 28, 2009, at 7:30 p.m. in the East Pike Administration Office, 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: Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Billon, Mrs. Paccapaniccia, Mr. Schroth, Mr. Steve, Mr. Trimarchi, and Mr. Werner. Mr. Girardi was absent.

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

#### WELCOME TO VISITORS

Mrs. Paccapaniccia extended a welcome to the visitors attending the meeting.

#### SGA

Tara Federoff addressed the Board regarding SGA activities.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Billon and seconded by Mr. Steve that the minutes of the September 14, 2009 Board meeting be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously. (Exh. 1)

#### PRESENTATION – FEASIBILITY STUDY

Mr. Richard O'Donald from L. Robert Kimball and Associates presented information on the feasibility study.

#### RESIGNATION OF CUSTODIAN

It was moved by Mr. Werner and seconded by Mrs. Baker that the board accepts the resignation letter from Clair Lewis, custodian, effective September 23, 2009 due to personal reasons. Motion passed unanimously. (Exh. 2)

#### CONFERENCE REQUEST

It was moved by Mr. Steve and seconded by Mrs. Billon that attendance by Jeff Reed, boys' basketball coach, at the Nike Championship Basketball Coaching Clinic in Cleveland, OH from October 9-11, 2009 at a cost to the district not to exceed \$575.00 be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

#### RESULTS OF DISCIPLINARY HEARING

It was moved by Mr. Werner and seconded by Mr. Steve that the Board of School Directors hereby approves the expulsion of student No. 0910-01 as a result of a disciplinary hearing held on September 28, 2009. Further, the solicitor is directed to prepare a formal resolution and adjudication for the board's consideration. Motion passed unanimously.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 1) Board Policy 004 and section 600
- 2) NSBA Conference
- 3) Junior High piano replacement
- 4) Fence at Kuzneski field

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Dr. Clawson reported on students' attendance and on the district's continuing precautions related to the H1N1 and other flu season. The administrative team is exploring different grade-level organizational patterns and is providing information to the Board on our graduation requirements review. There will be early dismissal for students on October 9 and no school on October 12, due to staff inservice. The Olweus program will have its kick-off event at the junior high on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Finance/Audit – Mr. Werner reported that the field work for the annual audit begins tomorrow.
- b. ICTC – Mrs. Billon said that additional meetings are being held for negotiations.
- c. ARIN – Mrs. Baker reported that ARIN has obtained a loan for cash flow issues due to no state budget. She also said that they have taken over the management of medical transportation for the county.
- d. Recreation Department – no report
- e. The ARC – no report
- f. Olweus – Mrs. Baker announced that the Olweus kickoff is set for October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**ENCLOSURES**

Conference Resumes: Joseph Trimarchi (Exh. 3)  
Interscholastic Game Report – August 2009 (Exh. 4)  
ARIN-minutes-August 18, 2009 (Exh. 5)  
ARIN-agenda-September 15, 2009 (Exh. 6)  
Principal's Newsletter: Ben Franklin (Exh. 7)  
Horace Mann (Exh. 8)

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

Mrs. Paccapaniccia announced that the next board meeting would be a regular meeting on October 12, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

**NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An executive session was held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. before the open meeting to conduct a disciplinary hearing and to discuss personnel issues.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Mrs. Billon, seconded by Mr. Steve and unanimously approved, the special meeting of the Indiana Area Board of School Directors of September 28, 2009 was properly adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

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Anise M. Markle, Board Secretary