

## MINUTES

### INDIANA AREA BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

**August 14, 2006**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Indiana Area School District was held on Monday August 15, 2006 at 7:00 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: Mr. Airhart, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Balint, Mrs. Hatcher, Mrs. Paccapaniccia, Mrs. Schrecongost, Mr. Schroth, and Mr. Trimarchi. Mrs. Billon was out of town.

Dr. Kathleen Kelley, Superintendent; Dr. Deborah Clawson, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Donald Gardner, Business Manager/Board Secretary; and Ms. Christine Lane, Solicitor were also present.

#### WELCOME TO VISITORS

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

#### MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Schrecongost that the minutes of the July 17, 2006 Board meeting be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously. (Exh. 1)

#### TREASURER'S REPORT AND CURRENT BILLS

It was agreed to place the following two items under one vote. It was moved by Mr. Balint and seconded by Mrs. Schrecongost as follows:

1. That the Treasurer's Report for July 2006 be approved as submitted. (Exh. 2)
2. That the bills be approved as submitted. (Exh. 3)

Motions passed unanimously.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1) Finance
- 2) Athletics – next meeting will be August 21, 2006
- 3) Building and Grounds
- 4) Instruction – next meeting will be September 6, 2006

**PRESENTATION-JUNIOR HIGH UPDATE**

Mr. Pappal updated the Board with respect to status of the junior high renovation project.

**FINANCE**

Mr. Tim Custer, President and Mr. Richard Dunkel, Director of the Johnstown Building and Construction Trade Council, addressed the Board with respect to the advantages of utilizing a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) in connection with public building projects.

**FOOD SERVICES PRICES**

Submitted for the Board's information was a memorandum from Mr. Gardner regarding the 2006-2007 school food service program. (Exh. 4)

It was moved by Mr. Balint and seconded by Mr. Airhart that the Board approved the food service prices for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:

Elementary Lunch	\$1.90
Secondary Lunch	\$2.10
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Reduced Price Lunch	\$ .40
Elementary Breakfast	\$ .75
Secondary Breakfast	\$1.00
Reduced Breakfast	\$ .30
Ala Carte Milk	\$ .45
Adult Lunch	\$3.05
Adult Milk	\$ .45
Adult Breakfast	\$1.60

Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

**ADELPHOI VILLAGE AGREEMENT**

Submitted for the board's information was an agreement between Adelphoi Village, Inc. and the Indiana Area School District in connection with the Alternative Education program in the amount of \$32,671.00. (Exh. 5)

It was moved by Mrs. Hatcher and seconded by Ms. Anderson that the agreement between Adelphoi Village, Inc. and the Indiana Area School District was unanimously approved by roll call vote as submitted.

**USE OF FACILITIES**

It was moved by Mrs. Paccapaniccia and seconded by Mr. Schroth that the administration be directed to schedule the use of the Indiana Ice Center and YMCA facilities as necessary for school district activities for the 2006-2007 school year. Motion passed unanimously.

**VACATION POLICY**

It was moved by Mr. Balint and seconded by Mr. Anderson that the leave accumulation restriction imposed in the vacation policy for Act 93 employees be modified for the 2006-2007 school year. Motion passed unanimously.

**FACSIMILE SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION**

Submitted for the Board's information was a Facsimile Signature Authorization resolution between the Indiana Area School District and S&T Bank. (Exh. 6)

It was moved by Mrs. Hatcher and seconded by Mr. Airhart that the Facsimile Signature Authorization resolution between the Indiana Area School District and S&T bank was approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

**AGREEMENT WITH CITIZEN AMBULANCE SERVICE**

Submitted for the Board's information was a contract between the 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 \$3250.00. (Exh. 7)

It was moved by Mrs. Schrecongost and seconded by Mr. Balint that the contract between the Indiana Area School District and Citizen's Ambulance Service, Inc., be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

**LOCAL TAX STUDY COMMISSION**

It was moved by Mr. Airhart and seconded by Mr. Anderson that the Board directs the administration to advertise for applicants to serve on a Local Tax Study Commission in accordance with the requirements of Act 1, The Taxpayer Relief Act. Motion passed unanimously.

**EMPLOYMENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS**

It was moved by Mrs. Schrecongost and seconded by Mrs. Hatcher that based on the recommendation of administration, Mandi Gorton, Tammy Gregory and Tearn Williams be employed as instructional assistants effective August 24, 2006 at an hourly rate of \$5.15 per hour; said employment to be subject to their satisfactory completion of a 90-day probationary period. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

**ELECTION OF ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL**

It was moved by Mrs. Paccapaniccia and seconded by Mrs. Schrecongost that based on the recommendation of administration, Ms. Denise Dragich, be elected to the position of Eisenhower elementary school principal in the Indiana Area School District effective August 21, 2006 at an annual salary of \$72,000. The salary is to be pro-rated for the number of days worked in 2006-07 school year. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

**APPOINTMENT OF ACTING SUPERINTENDENT**

It was moved by Mr. Schroth and seconded by Mr. Anderson that the board appoints Dr. Deborah Clawson as Acting Superintendent effective September 16, 2006 until a permanent replacement is elected for the superintendent. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

**DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM RENEWAL AGREEMENT**

It was moved by Mrs. Hatcher and seconded by Mr. Schroth that the motion to approve the Dual Enrollment Agreement be taken from the table. Motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Mrs. Hatcher and seconded by Mrs. Paccapaniccia that the board approve the Dual Enrollment Agreement between the Indiana Area School District and Indiana University of Pennsylvania with Mr. Anderson to be added to the committee and that it be stipulated that the district is not responsible for tuition. Motion passed 7-1 by roll call vote with Mr. Balint voting no. (Exh. 8)

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

It was agreed to put the following two motions under one vote. It was moved by Mrs. Schrecongost and seconded by Mr. Schroth as follows:

1. That a request for a leave of absence by Kara Romance, senior high business teacher, be granted for the entire 2006-2007 school year in accordance with Article XI, Section 2 of the current bargaining agreement.
2. That a request for a leave of absence by Patricia Berringer, junior high mathematics teacher, be granted for the entire 2006-2007 school year in accordance with Article X, Section 8 of the current bargaining agreement.

Motions passed unanimously.

**EXTRA DUTY/EXTRA PAY ASSIGNMENTS**

It was moved by Mr. Balint and seconded by Mrs. Hatcher that, based on the recommendation of administration, the following extra duty/extra pay assignments be approved for the 2006-2007 school year.

Boys' Basketball Asst Coach (SH)-\$5,521.89	Craig Mankins	Not an employee
Boys' Basketball Asst Coach (JH)-\$4,321.92	Dan Petroff	Not an employee
Boys' Basketball Asst Coach (JH)-\$4,321.92	Lynn Fry	Not an employee
Boys' Basketball Asst Coach (JH)-\$4,321.92	Jim Tyger	Not an employee
Football Asst Coach (JH)-\$5,683.15	Dave Mosho	Not an employee
Football Asst Coach (JH)-\$1,782.52	Anthony Stipcak	Not an employee

Motion passed 7-1 by roll call vote with Mrs. Schrecongost voting no.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Kelley congratulated Dr. Clawson on her appointment as interim superintendent and Mrs. Dragich on her appointment as principal of the Eisenhower elementary school. She also commended the entire administrative and support staffs for their hard work over the summer months to prepare for the opening of school.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Student Grade</i>	<i>Award/Accomplishment</i>
Chris Anthony, Caitlin Bidwell, and Vince DeStefano	12	Chosen to attend the recognition ceremony at the second annual Pennsylvania Award for Creative Achievement in the Arts.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Schrecongost brought up the issue of air travel safety and requested that administration assess the appropriateness of each trip on an individual basis.

Mr. Schroth mentioned that he heard Marion Center School District received a science grant and wondered if our facilities were up to their standards.

**ENCLOSURES**

- Conference Resumes: Cathy Schloemer (Exh. 9) Roberta Mack (Exh. 10)  
Gretchen Barbor et al (Exh. 11)  
Donald Springer (Exh. 12) Janice Allshouse (Exh. 13)  
Arlene Novels (Exh. 14)
- Indiana Reporter* – Spring/Summer 2006 (Exh. 15)  
Imprest Account-SH-May and June 2006 (Exh. 16)  
ARIN-minutes-June 20, 2006 (Exh. 17)  
ARIN-agenda-August 15, 2006 (Exh. 18)  
Investment Analysis – July 2006 (Exh. 19)

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next board meeting will be the special meeting on August 28, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

**NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 1) An executive session was held on August 1, 2006 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:10 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.
- 2) An executive session was held on August 8, 2006 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.
- 3) An executive session was held from 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. before the open meeting to discuss personnel, real estate and attorney/advisor issues.
- 4) An executive session continued after the board meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Mrs. Hatcher, seconded by Mr. Anderson and unanimously approved the regular meeting of the Indiana Area School Directors of August 14, 1006 was properly adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Donald T. Gardner, Jr., Secretary