

Independence Community School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
February 16, 2015

A regular meeting of the Independence Community School Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Brian C. Eddy at the Administration Building, Independence, Iowa

Members Present: Chairperson Brian C. Eddy, Heather Meador, Rusty Donnelly, Shelly Whited and Eric Smith

Superintendent Present: Jean Peterson

Board Sec. /Treas. Present: Lynnette Engel

1. Friends of Education

A. Iowa Assessment Breakfast Snacks

Mt. Hupke thanked Culligan Total Water, Dunlap Motors, Fareway, Geater Machining & Manufacturing, Co., Independence Ambassadors, Leo Club, Lions Club, Mustang Foundation, Pinicon Ford, Rotary Club and Security State Bank for generously donating to West Elementary for breakfast snacks during the Iowa Assessments.

B. Smith D.& L. Insurance -

Mrs. Meyer thanked Smith D. & L. Insurance for generously donating to the school lunch program.

C. First Baptist Women's Ministries -

Mrs. Meyer thanked the First Baptist Women's Ministries for generously donating to the school lunch program,

D. United Methodist Church –

Dr. Blaisdell thanked Sheri Anderson, Pastor of the Rowley, Urbana, Silver Creek and Alice United Methodist Churches for generously donating hats and mittens for students at East and West Elementary.

E. BankIowa –

Dr. Blaisdell thanked BankIowa for generously donating hats and mittens from their giving tree for students at East and West Elementary.

F. Shalom Circle – Immanuel Lutheran Church –

Dr. Blaisdell thanked Shalom Circle – Immanuel Lutheran Church for generously donating an assortment of winter gear for the students at East and West Elementary.

2. Consideration of Action on Consent Items:

Motion Smith, second Meador to approve consent items 2-A, 2-B, 2-C and 2-D. All voted "Aye." Motion carried.

2-A Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the public hearing on January 19, 2015, the regular meeting on January 19, 2015, the special meeting on January 26, 2015, the work session on January 26, 2015, the public meeting on January 30, 2015, the public meeting on January 30, 2015 and the special meeting on February 6, 2015.

2-B Approval of Agenda

2-C Approval of Board Policies

Second Readings:

	POLICY #	POLICY NAME
1.	705.1*	Purchasing – Bidding
2.	708*	Care, Maintenance and Disposal of School District Records
3.	711.2, 711.2R1 and 711.2R2*	Student Conduct on School Transportation, Student Conduct on School Transportation Regulation and Use of Video Cameras on School Buses Regulation
4.	800	Objectives of Buildings & Sites
5.	801.1	Buildings & Sites Long Range Planning
6.	801.2	Buildings & Sites Surveys
7.	801.3	Educational Specifications for Buildings & Sites
8.	801.4	Selection of an Architect
9.	801.5	Site Acquisition
10.	801.6	Bids and Awards for Construction Contracts
11.	801.7	Financing Sites & Construction
12.	801.8	Supervision of Construction

First Readings:

	POLICY #	POLICY NAME
1.	802.1	Maintenance Schedule
2.	802.2*	Requests for Improvements
3.	802.3*	Emergency Repairs
4.	802.4, 802.4R1 and 802.4R2	Capital Assets, Capital Assets Regulation and Capital Assets Management System Definitions
5.	802.5	Buildings & Sites Adaptation for Persons with Disabilities
6.	802.6	Parking
7.	802.7	Vandalism
8.	802.8	Energy Conservation
9.	802.9*	Contract for Maintenance Services
10.	802.10	Intangible Assets

2-D Resignations

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	DATE
Teresa Wheelock	JSH 8.0 hour Secretary	02/03/2015

2-E New Hires – Motion Smith, second Meador to approve 2-E. All voted “aye”. Motion carried 4-0. Whited abstained.

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	SALARY	DATE
Susan Johnson	JSH 8.0 hour Secretary	\$9.75/hour	02/16/2015
Nicole Stone	.5 FTE PK4 Academic Interventionist	\$5,972	02/23/2015
Nate Whited	Assistant Boys Soccer Coach	\$2,520	03/16/2015

2-F Approval of Financial Reports – Motion Smith, second Whited to approve 2-F. All voted “aye”. Motion carried 4-0. Eddy abstained.

1. Approval of Bills
2. Vendor Report
3. Board Report
4. Budget Report

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

3-B Comments from the Board:

Mr. Smith attended the East Elementary art display at the Independence Public Library. He was gracious that instructor Allison Anderson explained the art to him and the reasoning behind it. He thought it was great to see the talents of our elementary students publicly displayed.

Mrs. Meador thanked the administrators and nurse at the Junior-Senior High School for the excellent job they did taking care of her daughter during a medical emergency. She felt very comforted and appreciated their quick attention to the matter. She also stated her husband worked the concession stand for the District wrestling meet and was amazed at the sheer number of people that came through. She attended the JSH parent teacher conferences and felt they ran very smooth and appeared to be well attended.

Mr. Donnelly echoed the District wrestling meet was a great event and thanked the many volunteers it takes to successfully run an event that size.

Mrs. Whited has been busy attending speech competitions and congratulated the efforts of the students at Districts and State and recognized one team that qualified for All-State.

Mr. Eddy wished the wrestling team, coaches and individual qualifiers good luck as they head to Des Moines this week to compete in the State Dual Team and State Individual wrestling tournaments. He also thanked everyone that helped with the clean-up of the wrestling meet and the set up for the basketball game that followed on Saturday.

Superintendent Peterson recognized the speech team for their first place victory in the WaMac competition on Saturday.

3-C Presentations

1. East Elementary Principal, Dr. Blaisdell gave an update to the board on her Multi-Tiered Systems of Support within her building. They refer to this as “Mustang Time” where everyone works in either large or small groups on reading activities.

4-A Reports

Building Administrators, Activities Director, Director of School Improvement, Technology Director, Food Service Director and Transportation/Buildings and Grounds employees reported on their respective buildings or areas of assignment.

5. OLD BUSINESS

5-A Old Junior-Senior High School

Mr. Eddy gave an update as to the status of the demolition of the old Junior-Senior High School. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 12:30 on February 17th at the old Junior-Senior High School. Bids for the demolition are due no later than 12:00 noon of February 25, 2015.

5-B Long Term Facility Planning Follow-up

Mrs. Engel shared the two requested scenarios from the previous workshop that was held in Rowley. The scenarios were regarding when the District could afford to borrow \$1.5M for one elementary addition versus when the District could afford to borrow \$3.5M for both elementary additions.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6-A Kidsville Contractual Agreement

Motion Smith, second Meador to approve the Kidsville Contractual Agreement with the addition of a timeframe to include through the 2015-2016 school year. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

6-B boys' Soccer Sharing Agreement with North Linn, Jesup and East Buchanan for 2015-2016

Motion Meador, second Donnelly to approve the Boys' soccer sharing agreement with North Linn, Jesup and East Buchanan for 2015-2016. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

6-C Girls' Soccer Sharing Agreement with North Linn, Jesup and East Buchanan for 2015-2016

Motion Meador, second Donnelly to approve the girls' soccer sharing agreement with North Linn, Jesup and East Buchanan for 2015-2016. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

6-D Boys' Tennis Sharing Agreement with Jesup for 2015-2016

Motion Meador, second Donnelly to approve the Boys' tennis sharing agreement with Jesup for 2015-2016. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

6-E Girls' Tennis Sharing Agreement with Jesup for 2015-2016

Motion Meador, second Donnelly to approve the Girls' tennis sharing agreement with Jesup for 2015-2016. All voted "aye". Motion carried.

6-F Fiscal Year 2014 Audit

Motion Smith, second Whited to approve the fiscal year 2014 audit. Roll call vote: Whited – aye, Donnelly – aye, Smith – aye, Meador – aye and Eddy – aye. Motion carried 5-0.

6-G Employee Early Retirements

Motion Smith, second Meador to accept the employee early retirements. All voted “aye”.
Motion carried.

6-H Budget Guarantee Resolution

Motion Smith, second Whited to approve the Budget Guarantee Resolution. Roll call vote:
Whited – aye, Donnelly – aye, Smith – aye, Meador- aye and Eddy – aye. Motion carried 5-0.

**6-I Application to the School Budget Review Committee for Special Education
Administrative Costs Associated with River Hills Consortium Program for the 2015-
2016 School Year.**

Motion Meador, second Smith to approve the application to the School Budget Review
Committee for special education administrative costs associated with River Hills Consortium
Program for the 2015-2016 school year. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Recess was taken from 7:13-7:19

Board was in Exempt Session for Negotiations Strategy from 7:19-8:28.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith, second Meador to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. All voted “aye.” Motion
carried.

Brian C. Eddy
Chairperson

Lynnette Engel
Board Sec. /Treas.