

**INDIAN HILL EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of December 13, 2005

A regular meeting of the Indian Hill Exempted Village School District was held on Tuesday, December 13, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. in the Indian Hill High School Multipurpose Room, 6865 Drake Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45243 in accordance with notices sent to each member. Roll call showed the following members as present:

Mrs. Barber
Mr. Sharp

Ms. Bridgeland
Mr. White

Mrs. Hopewell

Also present were Dr. Knudson, Mrs. Toth, Mark Ault, Sandra Harte, Marge Kress, Brian Frank, Terry Barton, Jill Bruder, Steve Tranter, Katy Ping, Martha Stephen, Jan Zinnecker, Anu Mitra, and Cindy Standley.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (120501) Mrs. Barber moved, seconded by Mrs. Hopewell, to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

The Board reconvened its regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Dr. Knudson led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance with those in attendance.

ADOPTION OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA (120502) Mr. Sharp moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to adopt the agenda of the regular business meeting of the Indian Hill Board of Education, as amended, to include an approval of two donations for the Primary School, approval of an overnight field trip, and approval of a supplemental contract for Marching Band Design for Don Barker. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS - Dr. Knudson reported on the continuing process of Capital Planning for 2006-07, which began with building inspections in August. Subsequent administrative meetings have established priorities and have resulted in a document which will be presented to the Board in early January. A second meeting in January is planned to discuss these projects in further depth prior to a recommendation for Board approval in early February.

The district's first calamity day of the 2005-06 school year was December 9. Dr. Knudson commented on the exceptional job that Cindy Ketterer and her staff do under these circumstances beginning at 3 a.m. to drive routes. Many main roads in the District were clear by that hour, but our routes require us to travel to many places outside the school district. It was not possible to travel them safely in our school buses. The errors in the Penn Alert system have been corrected. We anticipate a smoother message delivery system going forward.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT – Ms. Jill Bruder, Athletic Director, presented her report of the Fall 2005 Sports Season. Indian Hill High School ran 11 sports this fall and had 291 participants; the Middle School program had 6 sports with 130 participants. The awards were abundant for our athletes. Team awards included Regional Semi-Finalist for Football, OHSA District Champions for Girls Soccer, and CHL Champions for Girls Soccer, Girls Tennis and Football. Individual athletes excelled as well with (6) All Ohio Awards, (27) Southwest District, (49) CHL Team Selections. In addition to all these accomplishments, Indian Hill can boast 186 Scholar Athletes, that is, athletes who maintain a 3.25 GPA or better during their sport. Ms. Bruder reported on the growth of our programs – 100 participants in football are projected within 3 years; boys and girls soccer is also attracting student athletes. Athletic directors are discussing expansion of the CHL as other leagues discuss mergers. Non-league game scheduling will become a problem for the CHL schools. Capital planning for athletic facilities is another hot topic for area schools in the CHL. Sportsmanship is an area of concern as our district has received the lowest rating in the CHL for the second year in a row. This rating is affected by parent as well as student behavior. Coaches will be planning to address with their teams' athletes and parents in the coming year. Mr. Bruder responded to a question about coaches' compensation indicating that, in comparison with CHL schools, Indian Hill compensates its coaches quite well.

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS (120503) Ms. Bridgeland moved, seconded by Mrs. Hopewell, to accept the following donations from the Boosters and Primary and Elementary PTO:

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(1) Indian Hill Boosters Association

Requested By	Dept/Grade	Item or request	\$ Funded
Steve Strider	Auditorium	(4) microphones	\$720.00
Steve Strider	Auditorium	Strand lighting console	\$1,563.00
Brian Frank	Middle School	Playground Balls	\$53
Mike Duncan	Middle School	Math Counts Contest Entry Fees	\$388
Toni Dinkelacker	Middle School	Power of the Pen Contest Entry Fees	\$250
Candy Putz	Orchestra	Patron Ad, Cinti Symphony Youth Orch	\$168
Erica Steele	High School	Model UN mini flags	\$85
Deb Centers	High School	Accompanists/Arrangers, Chorus	\$1,700
Erica Steele	High School	Model UN Conf, student scholarships	\$350

(2) Primary School PTO

Requested by	Item	Cost	Comments by SH
McGraw and literacy team	6 stopwatches for use in Early Literacy Assessment	\$54.86	Parts of this assessment (given 3 times/year to every student individually) need to be precisely timed.
Groth	3 DVD players	\$240.00	PS has no DVD players, many video materials are no longer in videotape format.
Groth, Tech Task Force	3 interactiveSmartBoards, shipping included	\$3467.00	Already have one of four needed; there will then be 2 installed for gr. 1 use, 2 for gr. 2; SMARTer Kids Foundation grant pays \$480/board.
Groth, Tech Task Force	4 LCD projectors, shipping included	\$3196.00	District bulk order, special price of \$749.00 each
Groth, Tech Task Force	4 Projector ceiling mounts and 7 wireless set-up, shipping included	\$1575.91	Required for projector use; additiona 3 wireless set-ups bring all building projectors up to standard
Groth, Tech Task Force	24 additional Kidzmouse child keyboards and mice	\$1115.56	For first grade classrooms; these are like keyboards in the lab and facilitate early keyboarding skills (Ohio technology standard)
Kindergarten team	Boardmaker software	\$611.00	Supports language development in context of classroom and curriculum
Gr. 2 team	Companion texts: book sets that pair fiction and non-fiction	\$603.40	Supports PS goal to address non-fiction reading skills
Gr. 1 team	"Mrs. Science" hands-on presentations for first grade science	\$300.00	Was a great success the last two years, enriching the first graders' science learning
	Total	\$11,328.17	

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS (120503) – continued

(2) Primary School PTO - continued

Requested by	Item	Cost	Comments by SH
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Mock	Kiln	\$2,408.12	We have been using a compromised kiln for years, to the concern of the art teachers, custodians, and fire chief. Rather than continue to patch it up and continue to deal with the oddball repairs and results, we need to replace it.
Anders, kdg team	High frequency (word) reading materials and Big Books for emergent readers	\$953.75	Books to be purchased in 3 sizes: lap size for small group instruction, little books for independent practice, and take-home books.
Anders, kdg team	Big books for shared reading experiences	\$1,836.45	Big books provide a means for modeling concepts of print.
	TOTAL	\$5,198.32	

(3) Elementary School PTO

Requested by	Dept Grade	Item or request	\$ Requested	Benefits/Comments
Steve Seeger	3	Cinti museum center-awesome animal adaptations	\$ 880.00	Hour long sessions-reinforce Structures of life unit
Wunderlich	3	Cinci museum center-Transportation Transformation	\$ 820.00	Cinci unit
Sanders	5	Time for kids magazine	\$ 825.60	Nonfiction reading
Adkins	5	History Alive program	\$ 405.00	Supplement current social studies text
Kerbl	Art	Lifeskills wall hangings materials	\$ 500.00	Turn student designed posters in to wall hangings
Kress	School 1	LCD projectors- 8	\$ 7,000.00	Will bring total to one per every 2 classroom teachers and one for Art
			\$ 10,430.60	

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS (120503) – continued

(3) Elementary School PTO - continued

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Requeste d by	Dept Grade	Item or request	\$ Requested	Benefits/Comments
Welsh	Technolog y	30 Headphones for pc's in 2nd floor lab	\$ 100.75	students use different programs at the same time while working at their own pace
Welsh	Library	Accelerated Reader 40 practice quizzes	\$ 115.55	All students have access to the accelerated reader program
Schauer	Spanish	71 books (20 different titles)	\$ 297.67	All third grade students will benefit and books are available to 4th and 5th grade students
			\$ 513.97	

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS (120504) Ms. Bridgeland moved, seconded by Mrs. Barber, to accept the following donations:

- (1) T.J. Ackermann – Little Red Schoolhouse for Primary School
- (2) J.K. Meurer – installation of Little Red Schoolhouse for Primary School

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, abstain

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

(Note: Mr. Sharp abstained because of his involvement with the creation of the Little Red Schoolhouse as part of the Party on the Hill fundraiser.)

APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIPS (120505) Mrs. Barber moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to approve the following overnight field trips:

- (1) Model UN, University of Indianapolis, 3/15-16/2006
- (2) Junior Statesmen of America (JSA), Washington, DC, 2/16-2/20/2006

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

PERSONNEL ACTIONS (120506) Ms. Bridgeland moved, seconded by Mrs. Barber, to approve the following personnel matters as recommended by the Superintendent:

A. Approval of Supplemental/Personal Service Contracts – 2005-06 year

EMPLOYEE	CONT	BLD	CONTRACT POSITION/DUTY	RATE	AMOUNT
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Apanites, Jennifer	SUPP	ES	Ohio Reads Volunteer Coordinator		\$575.00
Apking, Jason	PSC	MS	Drama Director, MS Fall Play		\$1,000.00
Barker, Don	SUPP	HS	Band Drill Design		\$1,500.00
Clark, Kathleen	SUPP	HS	Peer Counseling - Faculty Team (2005-06 yr) -3/4	Group D	\$972.75
		AT			
Dunlap, Amy	SUPP	H	Soccer, Girls, District/Regional Competition	1%	\$329.00
		AT			
Haarman, Dale	SUPP	H	Golf, Boys, District Competition	0.50%	\$164.50
Hardin, Kelly	PSC	MS	Playground Supervisor	\$9.25/hr	
Helfrich, Benjamin	SUPP	HS	Student Supervisor	\$14.88/hr	
		AT			
Hughes, Ellen	SUPP	H	Volleyball, District Competition	0.50%	\$164.50
Hughes, Ellen	SUPP	HS	Peer Counseling - Faculty Team (2005-06 yr) -3/4	Group D	\$972.75
Icsman, Jeffrey	SUPP	HS	Peer Counseling - Faculty Team (2005-06 yr) -3/4	Group D	\$972.75
Little, Sherwin	SUPP	HS	Peer Counseling - Faculty Team (2005-06 yr) - 1/4	Group D	\$324.25
Malucci, Dorelle	SUPP	HS	Peer Counseling - Faculty Team (2005-06 yr) -3/4	Group D	\$972.75
		AT			
Mees, William	PSC	H	Soccer, Boys, District Competition	0.50%	\$164.50
		AT			
Savage, Susan	SUPP	H	Cross Country, Regional Competition	0.50%	\$164.50
		AT			
Teets, Michael	SUPP	H	Tennis Coach, Regional Competition	0.50%	\$164.50
Wilson, Terry	PSC	HS	Student Supervisor	\$14.88/hr	

B. Retirements/Resignations

Last Name	First Name	Assignment	Building	Effective Date
Esz	Eleanor	Bus Driver	District	December 31, 2005
Gredig	Rebecca	Cross Categorical Teacher	Elementary	November 18, 2005
Schuldios	Mary Kay	Lunchroom/Playground Supv	Middle	November 30, 2005

C. Tuition Reimbursements

Jennifer Apanites	Read/Write Institute-Lakota	Ashland Univ	\$286.00
Naomi Horchak-Morris	Blackboard-Course Creation	Ashland Univ	\$462.00
Alicia Palmer	Content Area Literacy	XU	\$1,245.00
Lisa Schauer	Tech Tune-Up For Teachers	Ashland Univ	\$231.00
Steven Seeger	Essential Tech Tools for Teachers	Ashland Univ	\$220.00
Steven Seeger	Tech Tune-Up for Teachers	Ashland Univ	\$446.00

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye	Ms. Bridgeland, aye	Mrs. Hopewell, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye	Mr. White, aye	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (120507) Mr. Sharp moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to approve the minutes of the May 10, May 17, June 9, June 14, June 28, and November 8, 2005, meetings, as presented. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye	Ms. Bridgeland, aye	Mrs. Hopewell, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye	Mr. White, aye	

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS (120508) Mr. Sharp moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to approve the financial reports for the month ending November 30, 2005 including Investment Reports, Fund Reports and Warrant Listings, totaling \$2,333,811.40, as presented:

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General Fund	\$2,002,826.12
Bond Retirement Fund	\$474.60
Building Fund	\$1,331.00
Enterprise Funds	\$65,881.45
Special Revenue Funds	\$205,625.21
Agency Funds	\$57,673.02
TOTAL ALL FUNDS, November 30, 2005	\$2,333,811.40

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICES (120509) Mr. Sharp moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to approve the following invoices for payment in accordance with Section 5705.41 (D)(1):

VENDOR	ITEM DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Carpetland	Carpet and Tile-Transportation	\$3,086.92
IHEVSD Transportation	August, September, October Field Trips-Athletics	\$19,924.72
Jostens	Yearbook Expenses-Legend-High School	\$11,772.80
Ohio High School Athletic Assn	Football Playoffs-Athletics	\$9,997.66
Scholastic Book Fairs	Book Fair-Elementary School	\$8,285.51
Scholastic Book Fairs	Book Fair-Primary School	\$3,224.33
Skeets Humphries	Rear Exterior Door to Workshop-Maintenance	\$6,264.00
Varsity Spirit Fashions	Cheerleading Uniforms & Poms-Athletics	\$3,636.80

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

APPROVAL OF RENEWAL DENTAL PREMIUMS (120510) Mr. Sharp moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to approve the renewal premiums for dental insurance through Dental Care Plus, effective February 1, 2005, as follows:

	BASIC PLAN	ENHANCED PLAN
CONTRACT	RENEWAL	RENEWAL
Single	\$26.55	\$37.92
Family	\$72.29	\$103.19

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

APPROVAL OF OSBA MEMBERSHIP FOR YEAR 2006 (120511) Mr. Sharp moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to join the Ohio School Boards Association for the year 2006, including member subscriptions to the *Briefcase* and *School Management News* at a cost of \$5,408. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

PUBLIC COMMENTARY – Mrs. Anu Mitra, Primary/Elementary Schools PTO liaison, invited the Board to attend and participate in the Primary/Elementary Schools PTO meeting on February 15, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Primary School Auditorium. A question and answer format is planned; questions will be submitted to Board Members prior to the meeting.

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Mrs. Barber, on behalf of the Board, presented appreciation gifts to outgoing Board Members, Ms. Alicia Bridgeland and Mr. Lance White. Both Alicia and Lance have served eight years on the Board, have successfully passed a significant bond issue in 2000, and have completed the enormous task of building and renovating the district's schools. Each brought unique talents to the Board, which will be remembered for many years. Both Mr. Sharp and Mrs. Hopewell expressed their gratitude for the patient wisdom Alicia and Lance offered their colleagues in helping them to be the very best board members.

Dr. Knudson, on behalf of the administration and staff, presented certificates acknowledging the accomplishments of Ms. Bridgeland and Mr. White in promoting the district's mission to excellence for students, staff and community.

Both Ms. Bridgeland and Mr. White attested that the opportunity to serve on the Board, advocating for students, supporting staff, and representing the community, was indeed a privilege.

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be January 10, 2006.

ADJOURNMENT (120512) Mr. White moved, seconded by Ms. Bridgeland, to adjourn the December 13, 2005 regular meeting of the Indian Hill Board of Education at 8:26 p.m. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Ms. Bridgeland, aye
Mr. White, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye

Board President

Treasurer