

INDIAN HILL EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
Special Meeting of January 24, 2006

A special meeting of the Indian Hill Exempted Village School District was held on Saturday, January 24, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in the Indian Hill Administrative Offices Conference Room, 6855 Drake Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45243 in accordance with notices sent to each member. Roll call showed the following members as present:

Mrs. Barber
Mrs. Johnston

Mrs. Hopewell
Mr. Sharp

Mr. Jaroszewicz

Also present were Dr. Knudson, Mrs. Toth, Mark Ault, Chet Wiggins, Marge Kress, Terry Barton, Brian Frank, Sandra Harte, and Jill Bruder.

EXTENDED KINDERGARTEN STUDY – The Board received an updated report on the work of a Study Committee researching what kindergarten programming would be most effective and developmentally appropriate for the young children in kindergarten at Indian Hill Primary School. Dr. Knudson reported that the Committee recommends a kindergarten program that provides a 4 hour, 55 minute school day for kindergarteners, dismissing with bus transportation at 1:30 p.m. The report noted that parents specifically requesting a half day program must be accommodated by state law and that such requests would be handled on an individual basis. More work needs to be done to fully explore all aspects of feasibility of a change to 1:30 dismissal for kindergarten, including curriculum, staff development needs, staffing, cost analysis, enrollment, facilities needs, transportation, food service, and KLC Partnership programs. The Board requested further information at its February 4th work session.

2006 CAPITAL PLAN – Dr. Knudson presented a revised 2006 Capital Plan totaling about \$2.1 million to be funded in part (about \$880,000) from remaining bond issue funds. The Capital Plan was developed from August 2005 building inspections, including the Board's Operations Committee, multiple discussions with building administrators, and conversations with the Board's Operations Committee. A phasing schedule was also presented. The projects to be completed before August 2006 include completion of the Middle School West Wing renovation, significant repairs and renovations to District athletic facilities (Soccer Field, Tomahawk Stadium, and the Upper Field), Commons improvements (band and orchestra areas), roof and air handler replacements, Primary School generator and clock system, technology and school bus replacement programs. The Board discussed these items for clarification and understanding. Timelines to retain an architect or engineer, prepare presentations for the Indian Hill Village Planning Commission review, obtain permits, and advertise for bids were also discussed. The Board provided direction to proceed with preliminary work to develop drawings and specifications for presentation to the Village Planning Commission by March 1 and arrange a meeting with abutting neighbors to gather input about the improvements to Tomahawk Stadium and the Upper Field at the High School campus. Financing of the approximate \$1.2 million was briefly discussed. Final approval of the 2006 Capital Plan was anticipated on February 14.

ADJOURNMENT (010621) Mrs. Hopewell moved, seconded by Mr. Sharp, to adjourn the January 24, 2006 special meeting of the Indian Hill Board of Education at 9:00 p.m. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mrs. Johnston, aye

Mrs. Hopewell, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Mr. Jaroszewicz, aye

Board President

Treasurer