

INDIAN RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2020  
INDIAN RIVER HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

MINUTES

Call to Order

President Rodney Layfield called the Regular Meeting of the Indian River School District Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members present: Mr. Scott Collins, Dr. Leo Darmstadter, Dr. Donald Hattier, Mr. Rodney Layfield, Mr. Gerald Peden, Mrs. Connie Pryor, Dr. Heather Statler, Mrs. Leolga Wright.

Board Members Absent: Mr. Anthony Cannon, Mr. Derek Cathell

Executive Session

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to go into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, student hearings, negotiations, and litigation.

The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Reconvene - Regular Session at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda – September 28, 2020

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Mr. Collins, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Approval of Minutes

Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes – August 19, 2020.

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Dr. Darmstadter, to approve the minutes as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes – August 24, 2020.

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Dr. Darmstadter, to approve the minutes as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Board of Education Executive Session Meeting Minutes – August 24, 2020.

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Dr. Darmstadter, to approve the minutes as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Recognition

- Forbes 2020 Best-In-State Employer – Indian River School District
- First Chance Award Recipient – Nutrition Services Supervisor Cliff Toomey

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

## New Business

### School Choice Applications 2020-2021 (September 2020)

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to accept school choice applicants 2020-2021 (September 2020) as presented by Mr. Lewis. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

### 2020-2021 School Meal Prices

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mrs. Wright, to approve the 2020-2021 School Meal Prices as presented by Mr. Cliff Toomey. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Menu Item	Price	Menu Item	Price
Adult Breakfast Meal	\$2.55	Student Lunch Protein	\$1.00
Breakfast Honey Bun	\$0.65	Adult Lunch Protein	\$1.50
Cereal Bar	\$0.65	K-8 PBJ	\$1.00
Student Juice	\$0.40	9-12 PBJ	\$1.00
Adult Juice	\$0.50	Pizza Slice	\$1.00
Student Milk	\$0.40	Adult Pizza Slice	\$1.75
Adult Milk	\$0.50	Student Large Salad	\$1.00
Student Yogurt, 4 oz.	\$0.65	Adult Large Salad	\$2.25
Bottle Juice, 10 oz.	\$1.25	Student Sandwich	\$1.00
Bottle Water, 16.9 & 20 oz.	\$1.00	Adult Sandwich	\$1.50
G2	\$1.50	Student Side Salad	\$0.55
Crackers	\$0.15	Adult Side Salad	\$0.75
Parfait/Smoothie	\$1.75	Student Vegetable Side	\$0.55
Switch	\$1.50	Adult Vegetable Side	\$0.75
Hard Cooked Egg	\$0.50	Student Yogurt 8 oz.	\$0.75
Student Fruit	\$0.55	Adult Yogurt 8 oz.	\$1.00
Adult Fruit	\$0.75	Ice Cream	\$0.60
String Cheese	\$0.30	Tea	\$0.75
Coffee	\$0.75	Cookie, 0.25	\$0.30
Student Breakfast a la carte	\$0.65	Cookie, 0.35	\$0.40
Adult Breakfast a la carte	\$1.05	Dressing Pouch	\$0.30
Bread Slice	\$0.15	Jello/Pudding	\$0.75
Crackers	\$0.25	Pie	\$0.75
Hot Bread/Rice	\$0.25	Rice Krispie Treat	\$0.75
Student Left Over Protein	\$1.00	Snack < 1 oz.	\$0.65
Adult Left Over Protein	\$1.50	Snack > 1 oz.	\$0.75
Adult Soup	\$1.00	Student Soup	\$0.65
Munchable a la carte	\$1.50	Adult Lunch	\$3.85

### School Reopening

Dr. Owens shared with the Board the Pre K -1<sup>st</sup> grade hybrid learning was very successful. There were a total of 1200 students from both Cohorts (A & B) in our schools.

### 2020-2021 District Calendar

Dr. Owens shared with the Board changes to the 2020-2021 District Calendar

- November 5, 2020
  - Half day (Noon) Remote learning for students
  - Half day (Noon) In person for teachers and staff
- October 12, 2020
  - 4, 5, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students begin In Person Learning
- October 19, 2020
  - 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students begin In Person Learning

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Dr. Darmstadter, to approve the amendments to the 2020-2021 District Calendar as presented by Dr. Owens. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

*Dr. Owens also shared with the Board the districts hope to begin In Person learning with our 9<sup>th</sup> grade students before the previous approved date of November 9, 2020.*

### Tax Relief Requests

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve tax relief request #1. The motion passed (7-1-0).

For the motion: Mr. Collins, Dr. Darmstadter, Dr. Hattier, Mr. Layfield, Mr. Peden, Dr. Statler, Mrs. Wright.

Against the motion: Mrs. Pryor.

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve tax relief request #2. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

### Fall Sports

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve High School Fall Sports for the 2020-2021 school year under the approved guidelines of DIAA, State Board of Education, and the State of Delaware. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

### Class Action Lawsuit regarding Vaping and Vaping Products

It was moved by Mrs. Pryor, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the district's unity with DSBA in the Class Action Lawsuit regarding Vaping and Vaping Products. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

### Old Business

#### Major Capital Planning

Architect Contract discussion will be tabled for another date

### Howard T. Ennis

Dr. Owens updated the board on Howard T. Ennis. The district is still hoping to have the ceremonial construction ground breaking for the new Howard T. Ennis School on November 9, 2020.

### GW Carver Consent Update

Dr. Brittingham shared with the Board the most recent updates on GW Carver Academy.

### Salaries

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the administrative salaries for the month of September 2020 excluding administrator #30. The motion passed unanimously (8-0)

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Dr. Darmstadter, to approve administrator #30 for administrative salaries September 2020.

For the motion: Mr. Collins, Dr. Darmstadter, Dr. Hattier, Mr. Peden, Mrs. Pryor, Dr. Statler, Mrs. Wright.  
Abstained: Mr. Layfield

### Committee Reports

#### Buildings & Grounds

Dr. Hattier reviewed the minutes from the September 14, 2020 Buildings & Grounds committee meeting.

#### Indian River High school Chiller Request

It was moved by Dr. Hattier, seconded by Mr. Collins, to move forward to engage companies for a formal proposal for chiller replacement at Indian River High School. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

#### Comprehensive School Safety

Mr. Layfield shared with the Board:

- The district was 100% compliant with the annual safety assessment
- ERIP is now using Navigation 360 (new program)
- District completed tests for lockdowns.

### Finance

Mrs. Smith reviewed the financial reports.

### Curriculum

Dr. Statler reviewed the minutes from the September 14, 2020 Curriculum committee meeting.

#### DSBA Board of Directors

There was no report.

#### DSBA Legislative

There was no report.

#### Mary Bailey Scholarship

There was no report.

#### Special Education Task Force

Dr. Statler shared with the Board that October 26<sup>th</sup> begins the Special Education Week. During the month of October there is a social media campaign of "Kinder Matter". She also would like to thank the Hocker family for their support.

### Policy

#### First Reading: JECC-A School Choice Program

Mr. Collins presented the following policy for a first reading: JECC-A School Choice Program. He requested that any changes should be reported to the Policy Committee.

IREA Representative

Linda Hockman shared with the Board the elementary teachers feel the work load is being micro managed, teachers. With students back in schools teachers have found it very challenging.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Owens shared his monthly activities with the Board.

Financial Reports

Regular Invoices for month ending August 31, 2020

It was moved by Mrs. Wright, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the payment of the Regular Invoices for the month ending August 31, 2020. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Finance Committee

Mrs. Smith reviewed with the financial summaries, major and minor cap improvement financials for the month ending August 31, 2020.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Personnel

Personnel Agenda for September 28, 2020

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Personnel Agenda for September 28, 2020. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Personnel Addendum for September 28, 2020

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Personnel Agenda for September 28, 2020. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

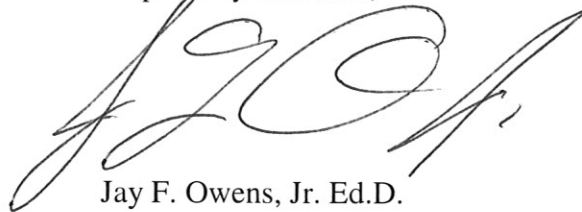
Personnel Contractual Agenda for September 28, 2020

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Hattier, to approve the Personnel Contractual Agenda for September 28, 2020. The motion passed unanimously (8-0).

Adjournment

President Layfield adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JFO', is written over the typed name and title of Jay F. Owens, Jr.

Jay F. Owens, Jr. Ed.D.

Secretary

Board of Education

Indian River School District

Rodney M. Layfield  
President  
Board of Education  
Indian River School District

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