The **Indian Creek Board of Education** met in regular session on December 21, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. at Indian Creek High School, Wintersville, Ohio. President Bob Smith called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. At roll call, the following members were present: Mr. Bob Smith, Dr. Ted Starkey, Mr. Daniel Bove, Jr., Dr. John Figel and Mrs. Kim Mark.

## READING, APPROVAL, SIGNING OF MINUTES #91-12-23

Dr. Starkey moved and Mrs. Mark seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2023 regular meeting: **Vote on motion**: Mr. Bove, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Dr. Starkey, yes; Mrs. Mark, yes; Dr. Figel, yes. **Motion approved 5-0**.

# BILLS, FINANCIAL, BANK RECONCILIATION #92-12-23

Dr. Figel moved and Mr. Smith seconded the motion to approve the bills financial report and bank reconciliation for the month of November 2023. **Vote on motion:** Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Bove, yes; Mrs. Mark, yes; Dr. Figel, yes. Dr. Starkey, yes. **Motion approved 5-0.** 

## INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

I.C.E.A. – President Karen Lloyd thanked outgoing Board members Bob Smith and Kim Mark for their service, support and dedication to District staff, students and community, especially all of their efforts making the new buildings a reality. She noted that they will all be missed.

O.A.P.S.E. – No representative

Principal/Administrative Council – No representative

Food Service Director – Eric White wished everyone Happy Holidays and thanked outgoing Board members Bob Smith and Kim Mark for their service and support of the District Food Service Department.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u> - John Belt read a letter from the Mingo Junction Fire Department thanking the District for the use of buses for safety training.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

## ACCEPT ADDENDUM

#93-12-23

Mrs. Mark moved and Mr. Bove seconded the motion to accept an addendum to include item D under Personnel. **Vote on motion:** Dr. Starkey, yes; Mrs. Mark, yes; Mr. Bove, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Dr. Figel, yes. **Motion approved 5-0.** 

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# <u>APPROVAL OF ITEMS A THROUGH N</u> #94-12-23

Mrs. Mark moved and Mr. Bove seconded the motion to approve items A through N under New Business.

## A. Bills to Be Considered, Over \$5,000.00 and/or Improper Procedure

The Treasurer recommends payment of the following invoices that have been submitted for payment:

VENDOR	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	
SSP, Inc. / Schoollockers.com	\$10,025.00	Lockers for student athletic center	
CHASE Visa	\$3,860.05	Transformations - leadership PD materials	
Nutrition, Inc.	\$3,903.63	Food service cost for September 1, 2023	
Amplify mClass	\$6,800.00	Mclass Dibels for Jefferson County Christian School	
Pro-Vision, Inc.	\$8,722.65	Cameras for new buses	
Thomas Hutter/7RC Plumbing	\$16,625.00	Remove and replace ICMS hot water heater	
Riley Petroleum Products	\$21,638.40	Fuel for buses and district vehicles	

## **B.** Investment Adviser

The Treasurer recommends continuuing investment adviser services with RedTree Investment Group.

## **C.** Appropriation Modifications

The Treasurer recommends approval of the following appropriation modifications that are necessary to fulfill purchasing requests:

Supplemental appropriations of \$4,542.20, HS/ES Project LFI Building Fund (004-9120)

Supplemental appropriations of \$20,000.00, CACFP Food Service Fund (006-9018)

Supplemental appropriations of \$17,317.07, HS/ES Project Local Interest Fund (010-9129)

Supplemental appropriations of \$2,760.08, HS/ES Project State Interest Fund (010-9229)

Supplemental appropriations of \$1,700.00, Hills Principal's Fund (018-960E)

Supplemental appropriations of \$800.00, ICMS Pep Club (200-938K)

Supplemental appropriations of \$4,000.00, ICHS Student Council (200-92L)

Supplemental appropriations of \$400.00, ICHS Pep Club (200-927I)

Supplemental appropriations of \$1,000.00, ICHS FCCLA Club (200-929U)

## D. OSBA Membership

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve continuing membership and annual subscriptions with the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 at a cost of \$6,345.00 the Legal Assistance Fund at a cost of \$250.00 and the Virtual Transportation Supervisor for \$275.00. The Superintendent further recommends the Board approve membership in the OSBA Policy Development Quarterly (PDQ) for the 2024

calendar year.

## E. Establish Fund and Appropriate

The Treasurer recommends that fund 499-9024, Bureau of Workers' Compensation Safety Grant FY24, be established and \$40,000.00 be appropriated.

## F. 2024 Organizational Meeting and January 2024 Business Meeting

The Superintendent recommends the Board set a date, time, and place for the 2024 Organizational Meeting and the January 2024 Business Meeting.

The Board set the meeting date for Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at ICHS.

## G. <u>2024 Organizational Meeting – Swearing in of 2024 Officers</u>

The Superintendent recommends the Board appoint a Board member to serve as President Pro-tem for the 2024 organizational meeting to preside over the election and swearing in of the President and Vice-President.

The Board appointed Dan Bove as the President Pro-tem.

## H. ICMS Self-Pay Trip

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following self-pay trip for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade students at ICMS for Friday May 17, 2024.

The price per student is \$150.00 and includes the following: 56 passenger Barons Bus Lines motor coach transportation, all admissions: Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium, Carnegie Science Museum (Lunch included), Urban Air Park (2 slices pizza/beverage) Custom Indian Creek T-Shirt, Traveling Classrooms Tour managers, all taxes & gratuities

## I. Band Boosters Bi-Laws Amendments

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the amendment to the Board Boosters Bi-laws as presented at the November 16, 2023 meeting.

#### J. ICMS Band Trip

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the request of the ICMS Band students field trip to Wheeling, WV on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 to see the Broadway play Shrek.

- Approx. 80 students, 10 chaperones, and 2 directors leaving ICMS by school bus at approx. 5:30 p.m.
- Students will travel to The Capitol Theatre in Wheeling to view a 7:30p.m. performance of the award-winning Broadway musical, *Shrek*.
- Students will return to ICMS at approx. 10:30 p.m.

\*Total trip cost is expected to be \$55 per participant (\$45 Show, \$10 School Bus Transportation). All trip payments will be submitted to and paid for through the ICMS Band Boosters. Payment due dates

will be set-up and students will be able to use money they have already earned in their student band accounts from fundraising activities.

## K. In Lieu of Transportation Agreement

The Superintendent recommends the Board enter into an agreement with the parents of Leeland Bonecutter (Roy Bonecutter) to transport him to the Alternative School located at MRDD –  $29 \text{ miles } @ 65 \frac{1}{2} \text{ cents} = \$19.00 \text{ a day for the } 2023-24 \text{ school year.}$ 

## L. Revised Board Policies

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the revisions to the following board policies:

EBCD Emergency Closing

EFB Food Service Management/Free and Reduced-Price Food Services

GBKB Staff Participation in Political Activities
GCL Professional Staff Development Opportunities

IGBEA Reading Skills Assessments and Intervention

IGBEA-R Reading Skills Assessments and Interventions-Regulations

IGD Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Activities

IGDJ Interscholastic Athletics

IGDK Interscholastic Extracurricular Eligibility

IIA Instructional Materials IKAA Testing Materials

IKE Promotion and Retention of Students

IL Testing Programs

JCAA Intradistrict Open Enrollment

JECE Student Withdrawal from School (Loss of Driving Privileges)

JED Student Absences and Excuses

JEDA Truancy

JHCD Administering Medicines to Students JN Student Fees, Fines and Charges

#### M. Transportation Release

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the release, for transportation purposes only, of Drake Frisinger to use Toronto City Schools bus transportation during the 2023-24 school year.

## N. Removal of Busses and Truck from inventory

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the removal of busses #9 and #24 from the bus fleet and also the GMC Work Truck. The busses and work truck have exceeded their useful life and are beyond repair.

**Vote on motion**: Mrs. Mark, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Dr. Starkey, yes; Dr. Figel, yes; Mr. Bove, yes. **Motion approved 5-0.** 

#### OTHER MATTERS

#### PERSONNEL

## APPROVAL OF ITEMS A THROUGH D #95-12-23

Mrs. Mark moved and Dr. Starkey seconded the motion to approve items A through D under Personnel.

## A. <u>Employment – Classified – Substitutes</u>

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve employment of the following individuals for inclusion on the Classified Substitute list for the position(s) listed below and for any subsequent positions for which they may qualify:

David Gubanez, Custodian

## **B.** Continuing Contract – Classified

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Continuing Contracts for the following Classified Employees, pursuant to Article 6 of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement:

Amy Bartley, Paraprofessional, Effective 1/03/2024.

## C. Resignation – Classified

The Superintendent recommends the Board accept the resignation of Natalie Frey from the position of Cook/Cashier, for personal reasons, effective December 31, 2023. Ms. Frey would like to be added to the Classified Substitute list for Cook/Cashier.

## D. Employment – Certified

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Alaina Thompson in the position of ICMS ELA teacher, effective January 8, 2024. One-year contract, 184 days per year (prorated), salary and benefits pursuant to the ICEA Negotiated agreement. Employment contingent upon Ms. Thompson obtaining or showing proof of valid Ohio licensure, the required background checks and drug testing.

**Vote on motion**: Dr. Figel, yes; Mr. Bove, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Dr. Starkey, yes. Mrs. Mark, yes. **Motion approved 5-0.** 

#### REPORT OF BOARD LIAISONS

- **a.** Student Achievement The Board discussed and commended the following:
  - Winter sports teams, noting they are off to a good start
  - Literacy Night program held at CCE
  - Fall Festival of Theater performed by the ICHS Drama students
- **b.** Legislative Dr. Ted Starkey no report.

## REPORT OF BOARD ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Mrs. Mark moved to adjourn. All Yes. Time 6:41 P.M.

a. Athletic Board - Dr. Chappelear noted that there will be a winter meeting scheduled soon.

## **REPORT OF TREASURER/CFO** – No report.

## **REPORT OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT** – Mr. Belt discussed the following:

- IC Foundation Christmas Concert scholarship fundraiser
- District recognized for second year in a row as a Health Worksite by the Ohio Department of Health's Healthy Business Council of Ohio
- Bureau of Worker's Compensation grant for \$40,000 to assist with the purchase of a robot floor scrubber for ICMS

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT** – Dr. Chappelear thanked outgoing Board members Kim Mark and Bob Smith for their service and dedication to the students, staff and Indian Creek Community. He noted their respect for the board of education process and the public school system. He thanked them for their leadership abilities, for seeing the District through good times and bad times and always making good decisions in the best interest of the District. He noted that they will be missed and presented them with gifts of appreciation.

Dr. Figel, Dr. Starkey and Mr. Bove also thanked them for their work and dedication and efforts to bring all Indian Creek communities together as one.

Mrs. Mark and Mr. Smith thanked the Board of Education members, administrators, teachers and support staff for their support.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

# 96-12-23

ATTEST:		
Board President	Treasurer	