

2024 Organization Meeting – January 11, 2024

The **Indian Creek Board of Education** held the annual organization meeting on Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at the Indian Creek High School, Wintersville, Ohio. At the December 21, 2023 Business Meeting, the Board appointed Mr. Daniel Bove, Jr. President pro-tem for the 2024 Organizational Meeting to preside over the election and swearing in of the president.

OATH OF OFFICE

The Treasurer administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Ted Starkey, Mr. Stephen Cowser and Mr. James Speece, who each presented a Certificate of Election from the Jefferson County Board of Elections to the Treasurer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mr. Bove led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL - Mr. Bove called the meeting to order. At roll call, the following Board members were present: Dr. Ted Starkey, Mr. Stephen Cowser, Mr. Daniel Bove, Jr., Mr. James Speece and Dr. John Figel.

Nominate and Elect the President – Mr. Bove nominated Dr. Starkey for President and Dr. Figel seconded the nomination. After discussion, Dr. Starkey was elected President.

Nominate and Elect the Vice-President – Dr. Figel nominated Mr. Bove for Vice-President and Dr. Starkey seconded the nomination. After discussion, Mr. Bove was elected Vice-President.

Swearing in of Newly-Elected President by the President Pro-Tem

Mr. Bove administered the Oath of Office to President Starkey. Dr. Starkey assumed the Chair.

Swearing in of the Newly-Elected Vice-President by the President

Dr. Starkey administered the Oath of Office to Vice-President Bove.

ANNUAL BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF ITEMS A THROUGH D UNDER ANNUAL BUSINESS AND A THROUGH U UNDER CONSIDERATION

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Dr. Starkey moved and Mr. Bove seconded the motion to approve items A through D under Annual Business and items A through U under Consideration.

A. Establish Meeting Day, Time and Place

The Board set the third Thursday of each month, at 6:00 P.M. for the regular meeting of the Indian Creek Board of Education. All regular meetings of the Board of Education will be held at Indian Creek Middle School, Mingo Junction, Ohio, unless the Board specifies another location.

B. Board's Legal Counsel

The Superintendent recommends the Board appoint the firm of Pepple & Waggoner to serve as the Board's legal counsel for calendar year 2024.

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C. Purchasing Agent

The Board is asked to designate the Superintendent as the purchasing agent for the School District.

D. President Appoints Board Representatives

1. Indian Creek High School Athletic Board – The following were appointed: Winter Sports: Dr. Starkey and Mr. Speece; Spring Sports: Mr. Cowser and Mr. Speece; Fall Sports: Dr. Figel and Mr. Bove

Purpose: To determine athletic policy for District athletic teams consistent with Board Policy and OHSAA rules.

2. Labor Relations Committee – Mr. Speece and Mr. Cowser were appointed.

Purpose: To serve as members of the Board negotiation team and to continually review the Master Contracts.

3. Legislative Liaison – Dr. Starkey was appointed.

Purpose: To report and advise the Board concerning pending legislation supported or opposed by the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA)

4. Appoint Board Representative to the Curriculum Improvement Council – Mr. Bove was appointed.

5. Select and appoint two (2) Board Members to serve on the Insurance Committee- Dr. Figel and Dr. Starkey were appointed.

6. Appoint Board Member as Student Achievement Liaison – Mr. Bove and Mr. Speece were appointed.

Purpose: To encourage and recognize student achievement to publicize activities.

7. Indian Creek Foundation Board representative – Mr. Cowser was appointed.

CONSIDERATION

The Superintendent recommends the Board adopt resolutions approving the following procedures for 2024 as listed:

A. Advances on Tax Revenues

The Board should authorize the Treasurer/CFO to request tax advances from the County Auditor and County Treasurer without Board approval when this becomes appropriate action.

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B. Inter-Fund Advances and Transfers

The Treasurer/CFO requests authority to make advances and transfers as necessary for proper budgetary procedures and to present them subsequently to the Board of Education for confirmation.

C. Loans

The Treasurer/CFO requests authority to arrange for loans as needed for cash flow purposes.

D. Appropriation Modifications

The Treasurer/CFO requests authority to make appropriation modifications as needed in the interest of the District's operational and proper budgetary procedures and to present them subsequently to the Board for final approval. The Treasurer/CFO further requests authority to make budget account modifications that do not need Board approval if the modifications do not change the appropriations.

E. Investments

The Treasurer/CFO requests authority to invest funds as the opportunity arises, obtaining quotations prior to selection.

F. Fiscal Agent

To authorize the Treasurer/CFO to act as the fiscal agent for Public and Non-Public schools to obtain all eligible State and Federal entitlement funds and/or competitive grants.

G. Add New Funds and Accounts

The Treasurer/CFO requests authority to add new funds, accounts, and appropriations as needed to process grant awards and other types of revenue and subsequently to present the additions to the Board for confirmation.

H. Purchase Orders

The Treasurer/CFO requests authority to prepare all purchase orders that are deemed to be appropriate for the public purpose and the District without direction, initiation, or individual authorization from any member of the Board.

I. Establish Service Fund

To establish the calendar year 2024 service fund, not to exceed \$2.00 per pupil or \$20,000.00, whichever is greater. (Policy BHD Attachment)

J. Board Annual Compensation

The Board agreed that members shall receive compensation of \$125.00 per meeting attended, up to a maximum of twenty-four (24) board meetings per year. (Policy BHD Attachment)

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K. Bonding

The Board should provide faithful performance bonds in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the Board President and \$50,000.00 for the Treasurer/CFO and Superintendent. Bonds are to be effective until the Organizational Meeting of January 2025.

L. Designation of Official Newspapers

The Board is asked to designate the Herald-Star and/or Wheeling Intelligencer as the official newspapers for the District.

M. Asbestos Coordinator

The Board is asked to designate the Superintendent or a designee of his choosing to serve as Asbestos Coordinator.

N. Board Designee – OAPSE

The Board is asked to designate the Superintendent and/or Assistant Superintendent as its designee to address issues as outlined in Article 3, Section 3.03, items 3 and 4; Article 4, Section 4.04 and any such provisions of the negotiated agreement between OAPSE Local #460 and the Indian Creek Board of Education.

O. Director of All Federal and State Programs

The Board is asked to designate the Superintendent as the Director of all Federal and State programs and authorize him to apply for any and all grants for which the District is eligible to receive.

P. Employ Temporary and/or Emergency Personnel or Substitutes

The Board is asked to authorize the Superintendent to employ temporary and/or emergency personnel as needed, subject to final approval by the Board.

Q. School Calendar

The Board is asked to authorize the Superintendent as per ORC 3317.01(B), to make revision(s) to the school calendar as needed to ensure compliance with the required minimum school year.

R. Tuition Students

The Board is asked to authorize the Superintendent to tentatively approve tuition students when they request admission pending official action by the Board.

S. Transportation Releases

The Board is asked to authorize the Superintendent to approve temporary agreements for emergency or unusual student transportation purposes with other school districts pending official action by the Board at the next meeting.

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T. Records Custodian

The Board is asked to designate the Treasurer as Records Custodian.

U. Amend Federal Funds Micro-Purchase Threshold

The Treasurer requests approval of self-certifying a micro-purchase threshold of \$50,000 for expenditures of federal funds, consistent with the \$50,000 bidding threshold in R.C. 3313.46, in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.320(a)(iii) and (iv). See attached resolution.

Vote on motion: Dr. Starkey, yes; Mr. Speece, yes; Mr. Bove, yes; Mr. Cowser, yes; Dr. Figel, yes. Motion approved 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

ADJOURNMENT
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Mr. Bove made a motion to adjourn. All Yes. Time: 6:19 P.M.

ATTEST:

Board President

Treasurer