

EDINBURGH COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Edinburgh, Indiana

November 17, 2008

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on this date at the Administration Building, 202 S. Keeley Street, Edinburgh, IN 46124 with Cathy Hamm presiding. All Board Members were present.

Also attending were Richard Arkanoff, Jackie Crawhorn, Curtis Rooks, Beth Ross, Lottie Wathen, Mendy Burton, Eric Burton, Kevin Rockey, Curtis Burton, Bob Conlon, and Julie Smith.

Everyone present was led in prayer by Mr. Streeval and the Pledge of Allegiance by Mrs. Hamm.

OPEN MEETING

PRESENTATIONS

A. “Difference Maker” Presentation

Mr. Rockey presented the “Difference Maker” award to The Edinburgh Lancer Football Backers for their support and enthusiasm during football games and pep sessions. Mr. Rockey also read a statement of thanks from Coach Kyle Wheeler. Mr. Rockey presented the plaque to Lottie Wathen as a representative of the Edinburgh Lancer Football Backers.

B. Recognition of Middle School Students of the Month

Mr. Rockey, on behalf of Mr. Edwards, recognized the Middle School Students of the Month: Cheyenne Ford for 6th grade, Brianna Frost for 7th grade, and Jennifer Stinson for 8th grade.

C. HVAC System Demonstration (Curtis Rooks)

Curtis Rooks, Director of Facilities and Maintenance, gave an overview and computer demonstration on the HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning) system. Mr. Rooks explained that temperature controls for the buildings can be monitored and adjusted on the computer either from his office or home. Mr. Rooks answered questions from the Board regarding the HVAC system. The Board thanked Mr. Rooks for his presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

Mrs. Hamm invited public comments regarding agenda items. There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consent Agenda

- 1. Minutes of the October 20, November 3, and November 5, 2008 Meetings**
- 2. Claims for Payment**
- 3. Donations from Edinburgh Tri Kappa, Sonoco Flexible Packaging, Target Stores – Take Charge of Education, Nimble Thimbles Quilt Club, and Casey’s General Stores**

Mrs. Taulman moved and Mr. Hoskinson seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Streeval stated he would like to have the donation amounts included in the Agenda Notes so that the donors as well as the amounts donated could be recognized during the meeting. Mr. Arkanoff stated he would make sure to include the amounts in the future.

B. Approval of Personnel Report

1. Support Staff Personnel

Mr. Streeval moved and Mrs. Taulman seconded a motion to approve the change in the method of paying our HIP assistants from hourly to stipends, to approve Floyd Pendleton as 6th grade Boy’s Basketball coach, Jackie Smith as 5th grade Boy’s Basketball coach, Cary Cox as 7th grade Girl’s Basketball coach, and Robert Conlon as temporary Technology Assistant. Mr. Arkanoff stated HIP Assistants Jodie Smith (\$624) and Lisa Chandler (\$780) will receive the same amount of pay by being paid a stipend as they do if paid hourly. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of 2009 General Fund, Capital Projects, Bus Replacement, Transportation, and Debt Service Funds

Mr. Hoskinson moved and Mrs. Taulman seconded a motion to approve the 2009 General Fund, Capital Projects, Bus Replacement, Transportation, and Debt Service Funds as presented at the November 3, 2008 Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Approval of Resolution to Neutralize 2009 Budgets

Mr. Hoskinson moved and Mrs. Taulman seconded a motion to approve the Resolution to Neutralize 2009 Budgets. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Policy #7.23, Random Drug Testing Policy

Mr. Arkanoff reviewed the most major changes of the policy which included the consent form that is signed by the student and parent when a student is in the 6th grade that will include the student in the random drug testing pool through their senior year unless the parent signs them out or the student turns eighteen and signs themselves out. If the form is signed to take the student out of the testing pool, the

student will not be allowed to participate in any extra-curricular or co-curricular activity. The policy is aligned with the punishments of the Athletic Handbook. Mr. Arkanoff stated the policy has been reviewed by two ISBA attorneys who are confident that it is a defensible policy. Mr. Streeval moved and Mrs. Taulman seconded a motion to approve Policy #7.23, Random Drug Testing Policy as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Second Reading of Policy #8.8, Disposal of Surplus Property

Mr. Arkanoff presented Policy #8.8, Disposal of Surplus Property, for second reading. This policy would provide the Superintendent the authority to dispose of worthless items worth under \$1,000 without asking for Board approval. This would allow items to be added to a surplus sale that may have inadvertently been left off the original list of items for sale. If the total of items left off the list totals more than \$5,000, it would then need Board approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lottie Wathen acknowledged the hard work of the football coaches and stated they sometimes do not get the recognition they deserve. Mrs. Wathen stated the school has a good group of coaches that care about the kids and the football program. The fact that they care is what is important in this football family.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Hoskinson stated it was good to see the football team improving and he appreciates the coaches and team for their efforts.

Mr. Streeval stated he and Mrs. Taulman attended a meeting organized by Mr. Blotch about putting together a "Lancer Wall of Fame" in the hallway outside the auxiliary gym. The Wall of Fame has been approved by Mr. Rockey and the group is working on ideas to help raise funds to pay for the plaques or pictures. We would like to go back to 1908 which is when the school first became part of IHSAA and asked anyone for suggestions or names to add to the Wall of Fame. Mr. Streeval stated it was good to see the support and enthusiasm of groups such as the Football and Volleyball Boosters. We are seeing good things happen with our athletic teams. Mr. Streeval congratulated Paula Wright on the success of the Pirates of the "I Don't Care" ibbean play at East Side and stated he thoroughly enjoyed it.

Mrs. Taulman thanked the football parents for coming out and supporting their children. Mrs. Taulman stated she is glad to see the heating and air conditioning problems in the buildings being addressed. Mrs. Taulman stated she feels the school is moving forward in many different areas.

Mr. Rockey acknowledged the students of the Philanthropy Club, Leah Streeval, Sarah Wilson, Jennifer Hines, Terry Jones and Chris Robbins, as well as Ron Streeval, Karen Werner and Brooke Phillips who cleaned up and spread mulch at the East Side Outdoor Lab a couple of Saturdays ago. Everyone, including Mr. Rockey, worked hard and got a lot accomplished. Mr. Rockey acknowledged all the companies and organizations that make donations and stated Sonoco Flexible Packaging has always been good about donating quite a bit of money which helps make a difference for our students and the community. Mr. Rockey thanked the Board members that were able to participate in the NCA interview visit and stated he has already received the oral report and is waiting on the written report.

Mr. Arkanoff thanked everyone, including Kyle Wheeler, Curt Chase and Josh Edwards for the successful Grand Opening of the ERC. Mr. Arkanoff also thanked Traci Foltz and Heather McDonald for their hard work on the grant and Simon Youth Foundation for everything they have done to allow the school this opportunity. Mr. Arkanoff commended Dana Chandler for singing the National Anthem and

Kristen Green for playing the flute during the Grand Opening ceremonies. Mr. Arkanoff stated that he appeared on Indiana Business Weekly at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday morning with Dr. Markoff of Simon Youth Foundation regarding the ERC. Mr. Arkanoff stated he is proud of the ERC project and looking forward to a great future for the program.

Mr. Streeval commended Mr. Arkanoff for being selected to present Paperless Board meetings at the National School Board's Conference in San Diego in April. This is a big honor.

Mrs. Hamm commended Mr. Arkanoff for doing a nice job on Indiana Business Weekly with Dr. Markoff. This was a wonderful promotion for Edinburgh, Simon Youth Foundation, and the ERC. Mrs. Hamm stated she is proud to be a part of the program. Mrs. Hamm stated a gentleman recently came into the Library asking what was going to be done about the football program and the team not winning games. After speaking to him for several minutes, she learned that he had not attended any football games this year. Mrs. Hamm stated she is going to try to make sure he goes to at least one game next year so he can see the enthusiasm of the fans and how much support the team receives.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Streeval moved and Mr. Hoskinson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

CATHY HAMM, PRESIDENT

ALICE TAULMAN, MEMBER

RON STREEVAL, VICE-PRESIDENT

KIM WEDDLE, MEMBER

JOHN HOSKINSON, SECRETARY