

Industrial ISD Board Meeting Notes

May 8, 2016

Industrial ISD Family and Friends,

The minutes of the May 8th board meeting will not be posted until the board approves them at their next regular meeting. Here are some brief notes from the May 8th, 2016 board meeting.

1. The board heard a concern from **parent Sara Mikulec** encouraging them to strengthen policy with regard to adult visitor's access to students while they are at school or during a school related activity. The board heard a report from **Jeff Woodring, IISD Construction Supervisor**. Construction of the new **stadium seating** is underway. The **fencing** and **batting cages** for SB and BB are also under construction. The **roofing** projects will begin within the next few weeks. Planning is underway on the **auditorium remodel** and the **IEW expansion**. The **High School Academic UIL Team decorated the board room** with pictures from contests held this year. Thanks to Mrs. Patton! We are very proud of the success our students are having this year in athletics and academics! In addition to winning the district academic meet, Industrial HS also won the **Spring Meet championship and the Regional Academic Championship!** This is the **16th consecutive year** Industrial HS has won the **Spring Meet**, which consists of Academics, OAP, Golf, Tennis, and Track! The **IISD Teachers of the year** were announced to the board; IEW- Ashley Bednorz, IEE- Lisa Baughman, JH- Stacy Hudson, HS- Christy Opiela. Congratulations to all of you! The board expressed appreciation to the members of the **Cobra Community Connection** for their participation in the academy this year. The **CCC** met one morning a month this school year learning about various aspects of school operations. Jennifer Martin, Bernadette Bellanger, and Erin Harper spoke about their positive experience as a member of the CCC. They encouraged the board to continue the program! **James Baker** was presented with a plaque recognizing him for his **7 years of faithful board service!** James has been an exceptional board member and *he will be missed!* Be watching the **IISD website for a new feature** we will call **BOND PROJECT UPDATES!** We will load it with documents and pictures as the projects move forward!
2. The board discussed and approved a **preliminary financing plan for the issuance** of Unlimited Tax **School Building Bonds**, series 2017, in the amount of **8 Million Dollars**.
3. **Superintendent's report:** The **Industrial ISD Leadership Calendar** was reviewed with the board. The Leadership Calendar is a detailed list of management and leadership activities that are to be accomplished as the year progresses. During the **month of May** Counseling, Nursing, and Dyslexia/Reading Intervention meetings will be held, and banquets and awards assemblies are scheduled. The board heard a report on the current **enrollment of 1202, down 8 students** from this same time last year. The **Superintendent's calendar** for May was reviewed with the board. Jim Green and Kensey Allen gave the board a **UIL update** detailing the student success this spring. The **Spring Board Conference** will be held on **Wednesday, May 17th** in Victoria. The Board reviewed the **Spring Banquet and Awards Assembly** dates. The **annual board picture** will be taken in the administration building prior to graduation. The **TASA/TASB school board conference** will be held October 6-8 in Dallas, Texas. This gives the board an opportunity to complete their state required training hours. The **Industrial Educational Foundation** will be holding its fifth annual **Academic Excellence Recognition Luncheon** at Inteplast on Tuesday, May 16th @ 12:30 PM. The annual **Team of 8 training** was scheduled for Monday, June 19th. The board set a meeting to canvass the election on Friday, May 12th @ 8:30 AM. The **Leadership Team will be holding training and planning meetings** June 6th-8th.
4. The board heard the preliminary **results from the 5th and 8th grade STARR tests** from Missy Klimitchek.
5. The board approved the **minutes** of the April 10th regular and April 18th called board meeting.

6. The board approved the **financial statements and investment report** for the month of April, 2017.
7. The board went into closed session to discuss **personnel and student discipline**. After the closed session the board accepted a **resignation** from Brian Martin as HS History teacher/coach. They also voted to **hire Beth Auble** as the **HS Theater teacher** and **Erin Hollis** as **JH Art teacher**. The board took no action on student discipline.
8. The board accepted the following **donations**; Industrial Athletic Boosters- \$1900; JH PTC- \$1500 for Field Trips; Justin and Lisa Harrison- \$232 for 5th grade GREAT T-Shirts. We appreciate the hard work and generous spirit of those making donations!
9. The board approved **budget amendment #7** to repair lightening damage on technology at IEW in the amount of \$10,620. The board also approved **budget amendment #8** for temporary AC in the Auditorium, in the amount of \$7000.
10. The board briefly discussed the **new Jackson County Special Education Coop Shared Services agreement** and then decided to **take no action**. They will wait until the operating guidelines for the Coop are available before approving the SSA.
11. The board approved a resolution regarding participating in the **Texas Educational Employers Benefit Cooperative**, for **employee life insurance**.
12. The board approved a **LOCAL update in 5 different policies** to match the changes we made when we became a “District of Innovation” last month.
13. The board discussed the **naming of the new stadium after Bobby Nicholson**. “Bobby Ray Nicholson Stadium, the home of Cobra Pride”. Everyone supports doing something at the FB stadium in Bobby’s name. However, there is a difference of opinion on naming any building or school facility after an individual. **The board would like to hear your opinion**. A. Should IISD start the practice of naming buildings or facilities after individuals? B. If the answer is no, what could be done at the new stadium to honor Bobby’s legacy?

Please contact me if you have questions about information in these notes. The **next regular board meeting** is scheduled for Monday, June 12th, 2016, at 6:00 PM. The Board will hold a **called meeting to canvass the election Friday, May 12th @ 8:30 AM**.

Thanks!

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