

**Ida Public Schools**  
**Regular Board of Education Meeting**  
**June 24, 2024**  
**High School Media Center**

***Mission***

*The mission of Ida Public Schools is to bring student, staff and community together to maintain our rich traditions. We will provide students with a safe learning environment, an exceptional curriculum, skills to meet the challenges of the future, and the means to become life-long learners.*

**MINUTES**

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting.

- I. At 7:38 p.m. Heather Schafer, President, called the meeting to order.  
Roll call of board members  
Present: Todd Albring, Jamie Hunter, Sara King, Sarah Lambert, Heather Schafer, Edward Stotz and Ryan Winkelman

Staff Present: Superintendent David Eack; Business Manager Chad Baas; Principals Chuck Fuller, Lucy Becker and Stacy Maynard; Elementary Assistant Principal Patrick Riley and Athletic Director Tim Leonard

Other attendees: There were members from the public in attendance.

It was determined a quorum was present. Mrs. Schafer welcomed those in attendance.

- II. Best Practices – Belle Arnold, student, presented her innovative idea of Mental Health Day to the Board. Driven by a passion for supporting her peers, Chloe envisioned a day dedicated to mental wellness, aiming to reduce stigma and promote mental health awareness. She meticulously planned and executed this initiative, organizing activities and workshops that provided students with valuable resources and coping strategies. Chloe's vision extends beyond high school; she aspires to expand the program to middle schools, ensuring younger students benefit from early mental health education and support.
- III. Approval of Minutes  
A motion was made by Ryan Winkelman supported by Sara King accepting the minutes of the May 13, 2024, Committee of the Whole and Board of Education meetings as presented for adoption.  
Discussion  
The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.
- IV. Recommended Board Acceptance Items/Consent Agenda  
Comment: Background materials for Consent Agenda topics were sent to the Board of Education prior to this meeting. Any Board member can remove any topic from the Consent Agenda and place the item in the Discussion Topics area.

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Approved: The Check Register is presented for Board acceptance and authorization for payment. The total of the computer listing of invoices is \$2,399,866.02.

Approved: The hiring of Danielle Miller as the Middle School Special Education Teacher, beginning the 2024-2025 school year per the recommendation of memo from Lucy Becker dated June 13, 2024.

Approved: The hiring of Alexa Young, Elementary Counselor, per the request of Stacy Maynard.

Approved: The internal transfer of Jennifer Roberts to Elementary School Media Center Paraprofessional per the recommendation of Stacy Maynard.

Approved: The hiring of Julie Crozier as the ISD Summer School Food Service Cook per the recommendation of Pam Oberski.

Approved: The hiring of Anne Smith, Bus Driver per the recommendation of Cortney Galloro.

Approved: The appointment of Jen Butz to a summer school teaching position per Lucy Becker.

Approved: The appointment of Brittany Johnston, Heather Schooner, Malinda Swartz, Sue Hanson and Amy Angerer for the summer school assistant positions per Lucy Becker.

Approved: The addition of a Food Service position.

Approved: The resignation of Tony Scott, Grounds/Special Ed Transportation.

Approved: The resignation of Kim Sharp, Custodian.

Approved: The resignation of Anthony Alexander, Middle School Student Support Interventionist.

Approved: The retirement of Wendy Hubbard, Bus Driver.

Approved: The retirement of Christi Warner, Food Service Server/Prep.

Approved: The resignations of the following coaches:

Zack Johnston – Co JV Boys Basketball Coach  
Clay Sampson – Co JV Boys Basketball Coach  
Joe Wirick – MS Football Coach/MS Boys Track Coach

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Sam Brettschneider – MS Football Coach  
Andrew Oberski – MS Football Coach  
Lauren Wirick – Co MS Sideline Cheer and Competitive Cheer  
Coach  
Brandon Ratz – JV Girls Basketball Coach

A motion was made by Todd Albring supported by Sarah Lambert to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

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*Discussion Topics*

V. Comments from the Public

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VI. Board/Superintendent Response

VII. Communications to/from Board Members

VIII. Policy Committee Report – Second Reading of NEOLA Policies

A. Recommended Resolution: Accept the second reading of the following proposed policies: 1240, 2414, 2418, 3220, 6320, 6321, 6325, 6350, 6520, 8390, 8800

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Jamie Hunter supported by Sara King to accept the second reading of the above proposed policies.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 6 to 1.

IX. Policy Committee Report –NEOLA Policies

A. Recommended Resolution: Accept rescinding the following policy: 2410

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Jamie Hunter supported by Sarah Lambert to accept rescinding of the above policy.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

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X. Courses

- A. Recommended Resolution: Accept the recommendation from the Curriculum Council to add the following courses: Advanced Agriculture, Landscape Design, Supplemental English and Transition to College Math.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Sarah Lambert supported by Todd Albring to add the following courses: Advanced Agriculture, Landscape Design, Supplemental English and Transition to College Math.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

XI. 2024-2025 Student Handbooks (First Reading)

- a. High School
- b. Middle School
- c. Elementary School

Recommended Resolution: Accept the first reading 2024-2025 Student Handbook for the High School, Middle School, and Elementary School revisions as recommended by the Administration. These revisions will be included in the student handbooks that will be available to our students at the opening of the 2024-2025 school year.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Jamie Hunter supported by Sarah Lambert to accept the first reading for the 2024-2025 Elementary, Middle and High school Student Handbooks.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

XII. Annual Fire/Safety Drills (Information)

Each building is required to conduct a minimum of six (6) Fire Drills, two (2) Severe Weather Drills, and three (3) Lockdown Drills during each school year. The building administration has documented that this requirement was met during Fiscal Year 2024.

XIII. Business Operations/Recent Legislation

- A. Financial Legislative Update
- B. Enrollment Projections for 2024-2025
- C. Monroe County Tax Equalization Report

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Recommended Resolution: The administration recommends the acceptance of the Monroe County Tax Equalization Department’s summary statements concerning the school district’s Non-Homestead Valuation figures and the school district’s Commercial Personal Property figures for Fiscal Year 2024 as follows:

<b>Township</b>	<b>N-H Taxable Valuation (18 mills)</b>	<b>% of District Valuation</b>
Bedford	\$700,942	1%
Dundee	\$3,985,835	7%
Ida	\$34,331,605	60%
LaSalle	\$2,749,951	5%
Monroe	\$1,238,009	2%
Raisinville	\$13,920,247	25%
Total	\$56,926,589	100%

This represents an increase in our Non-Homestead Valuation of \$7,873,251 from Fiscal Year 2023.

<b>Township</b>	<b>Commercial Personal Property Taxable Valuation (6 mills)</b>	<b>% of District Valuation</b>
Bedford	\$0	0%
Dundee	\$36,265	2.8%
Ida	\$772,400	59.7%
LaSalle	\$101,107	7.8%
Monroe	\$2,500	0.2%
Raisinville	\$381,865	29.5%
Total	\$1,294,137	100%

Recommended Resolution: Accept the Monroe County Tax Equalization Department’s summary statements.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Sarah Lambert supported by Sara King.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

D. Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Presentation

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Recommended Resolution: Adopt the Fiscal Year 2024 budget updates for the General Fund, Capital Projects, Technology, Cafeteria, Recreation, Student Activities, Debt, and Sinking Fund budgets as presented.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Ryan Winkelman supported by Sarah Lambert.

**Discussion**

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

- E. Second Review of the Fiscal Year 2025 General Fund Budget and Review of the Capital Projects, Technology, Cafeteria, Recreation, Student Activities, Debt, and Sinking Fund Budgets.

A projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025 was presented for your study at the January 8, 2024 Board of Education meeting. In the interim, this budget has been updated and revised as more accurate information has become available.

- F. Truth In Taxation Hearing – As required by statute, we placed a public advertisement of this hearing in a newspaper of general circulation a minimum of six (6) days prior to this evening’s meeting. We are required to provide the public this opportunity to raise any questions relative to our Non-Homestead taxable value’s millage rate. Due to the passage of the Headlee restoration proposal at the August 2018 school election, we are able to levy the full authorized rate of 18 mills on non-homestead property and 6 mills on commercial property.

Comments for the Public regarding the tax levy.

- G. Presentation of the Preliminary Uniform Budget for Fiscal Year 2024

This evening we present for your consideration and adoption a Uniform Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, based upon the revisions made to the projected budget presented on February 12, 2024. A final budget for the fiscal year will be presented for adoption at the Annual Financial Meeting prior to November 1, 2024. The fall budget will be more precise than this uniform budget, as we will have more accurate enrollment statistics and funding from all sources.

- a. Comparisons of Budget Projections Fiscal Year 2024 vs. Fiscal Year 2025

**2023-2024\***

**2024-2025\***

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(Projected 6/24/24)		(Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 4,841,470	Beginning Balance	\$ 5,723,198
\$19,454,260	Total Revenue	\$ 18,547,806
\$18,572,532	Total Expenditures	\$ 18,938,411
\$881,728	Difference between Revenue/Expense	<\$390,605>
\$5,723,198	Projected Fund Equity	\$5,332,593

\*Includes Athletic Revenue and Expenses

b. Review of the Fiscal Year Capital Projects Budget

The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Capital Projects Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary comparison follows:

<b><u>2023-2024</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)		<b><u>2024-2025</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 975,966	Beginning Balance	\$1,211,771
\$ 626,505	Revenue	\$ 626,505
\$ 390,700	Expenditures	\$ 253,700
\$1,211,771	Total Fund Balance	\$1,584,576

c. Review of the Fiscal Year Technology Budget

The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Technology Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary comparison follows:

<b><u>2023-2024</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)		<b><u>2024-2025</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 799,425	Beginning Balance	\$ 792,883

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\$ 535,502	Revenue	\$ 535,502
\$ 542,044	Expenditures	\$ 589,656
\$ 792,883	Total Fund Balance	\$ 738,729

d. Review of the Fiscal Year Cafeteria Budget

The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Cafeteria Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary comparison follows:

<u><b>2023-2024</b></u> (Projected 6/24/24)		<u><b>2024-2025</b></u> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 776,312	Beginning Balance	\$ 760,500
\$ 1,322,355	Total Revenue	\$1,322,355
\$ 1,338,167	Total Expenditures	\$ ,359,985
\$ 760,500	Ending Balance	\$ 722,870

e. Review of the Fiscal Year Recreation Budget

The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Recreation Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary comparison follows:

<u><b>2023-2024</b></u> (Projected 6/24/24)		<u><b>2024-2025</b></u> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 14,393	Beginning Balance	\$ 15,585
\$ 9,783	Total Revenue	\$ 9,800
\$ 8,591	Total Expenditures	\$ 8,700
\$15,585	Ending Balance	\$16,685

f. Review of the Fiscal Year Student Activities Budget



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The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Student Activities Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary follows:

<b><u>2023-2024</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)		<b><u>2024-2025</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 289,045	Beginning Balance	\$ 322,437
\$ 545,495	Total Revenue	\$ 578,887
\$ 223,058	Total Expenditures	\$ 223,058
\$ 322,437	Ending Balance	\$ 355,829

g. Review of the Fiscal Year Capital Projects 2024 Energy Bond Budget

The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Capital Projects 2024 Energy Bond Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary follows:

<b><u>2023-2024</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)		<b><u>2024-2025</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 0	Beginning Balance	\$ 6,166,022
\$7,970,562	Total Revenue	\$ 60,000
\$1,804,540	Total Expenditures	\$6,226,022
\$6,166,022	Ending Balance	\$0

h. Review of the Fiscal Year Debt Retirement Budget

The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Debt Retirement Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary follows:

<b><u>2023-2024</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)		<b><u>2024-2025</u></b> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 0	Beginning Balance	\$ 0

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\$ 85,500	Total Revenue	\$ 957,319
\$ 85,500	Total Expenditures	\$ 957,319
\$ 0	Ending Balance	\$ 0

i. Review of the Fiscal Year Sinking Fund Budget

The Business Office has completed a review of the 2023-2024 Sinking Fund Budget and developed a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2025. A summary follows:

<u><b>2023-2024</b></u> (Projected 6/24/24)		<u><b>2024-2025</b></u> (Projected 6/24/24)
\$ 0	Beginning Balance	\$ 324,858
\$1,050,008	Total Revenue	\$1,050,008
\$ 725,150	Total Expenditures	\$1,366,860
\$ 324,858	Ending Balance	\$ 8,006

*Note: The ending balance for the 2023-2024 budgets are subject to adjustment upon the completion of the District's FY 2024 audit.*

**Recommended Resolution:** Adopt the Fiscal Year 2025 projected budget for the General Fund, Capital Projects, Technology, Cafeteria, Recreation, Student Activities, Debt, and Sinking Fund budgets as presented.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Todd Albring supported by Edward Stotz.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

XIV. Personnel

A. Vacancies/Postings

- a. Elementary Counselor
- b. Middle School ELA Teacher – 2024-2025 SY
- c. Middle School Special Education Teacher – 2024-2025 SY (pending board approval)
- d. Grounds and Special Education Transportation
- e. Custodian

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XV. Buildings and Grounds

- A. Recommended Resolution: Accept the bid from Sommerset Paving for the new private drive and paving of bus lot per the recommendation of Bob Cherry and Cortney Galloro.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Sarah Lambert supported by Ryan Winkelman to accept the bid from Sommerset Paving for a total of \$359,615 to be paid out of the Sinking Fund.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

- B. Recommended Resolution: Accept the quote from Integrity Demo & Construction Inc for updates to the sheep shed per the request of Bob Cherry.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Todd Albring supported by Edward Stotz to accept the quote from Integrity Demo & Construction Inc for updates to the sheep shed at a cost of \$13,500 per the request of Bob Cherry. To be paid from the Capital Project fund.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

XVI. Technology

- A. Recommended Resolution: Accept the quote from Lightspeed Technologies to purchase 12 Lightspeed RedCat classroom sound systems for the ES, per recommendation from Ryan Kisonas.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Sara King supported by Ryan Winkelman to accept the quote from Lightspeed Technologies to purchase 12 Lightspeed RedCat classroom sound systems for the Elementary School at a cost of \$15,324, per recommendation from Ryan Kisonas paid out of the 2024-2025 Technology funds.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

XVII. Athletics/Extra Curricular Activities

- A. Director's report

- B. Annual Michigan High School Athletic Association Participation

Recommended Resolution: The Ida Board of Education hereby delegates to the Superintendent the responsibility for the supervision and control of said activities, and hereby accepts the Constitution and By-Laws of said

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association and adopts as its own the rules, regulations and interpretations (as minimum standards), as published in the current HANDBOOK as the governing code under which Ida Public Schools shall conduct its program of interscholastic athletics and agrees to primary enforcement of said rules, regulations, interpretations and qualifications. In addition, it is hereby agreed that schools which host or participate in the association's meets and tournaments shall follow and enforce all tournament policies, procedures and schedules. This authorization shall be effective from August 1, 2024 and shall remain effective until July 31, 2025, during which the authorization may not be revoked.

A motion to approve Recommended Resolution by Sarah Lambert supported by Todd Albring.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

*Informational Topics*

XVIII. Next Meeting Dates

A. Recommended Topics for the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting on July 15, 2024:

1. Annual Organization Meeting/Regular Business Meeting
2. Regular Business Meeting

B. Recommended Topics for the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting on August XX, 2024: (board calendar will be on agenda in July)

1. Regular Business Meeting
2. 2024-2025 Staffing Report

XIX. Forthcoming Activities

A. Activities

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Mon, June 24	Committee of the Whole	6:00 p.m.
Mon, June 24	Regular Board of Education/Uniform Budget/End of Fiscal Year Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Mon, July 15	Board of Education meeting	6:00 p.m.
Tues, Sept 3	First Day of School	

B. 'Go-Around'

XX. Comments from the Public

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XXI. Board/Superintendent Response

XXII. Closed Session (began at 9:20 p.m. after a brief break)  
Closed Session Requested: Prior to entering into a Closed Session a ROLL CALL VOTE must be taken. The resolution must stipulate the reason for the Closed Session.

Recommended Resolution: The Ida Board of Education will enter into closed session pursuant to section 8(c) of the open meetings act to discuss contract negotiations.

A motion was made to move into Closed Session by Ryan Winkelman supported by Jamie Hunter.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

XXIII. Superintendent Contract

- Whereas:**
1. David J Eack is employed as the Superintendent, and
  2. The Board and Superintendent have reached agreement on new terms of a contract for his employment that will supersede all prior written contracts, said new agreement to expire on June 30, 2025, and
  3. The Board has considered the new agreement and determined it is in the best interest of the district.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That:**

1. The Board hereby appoints the new agreement with David J Eack as the Superintendent for the Ida Public Schools.
2. The new agreement supersedes all prior agreements before the parties.
3. This resolution is enacted in conformance with all provisions of the Revised School Code.
4. All resolutions and parts insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are rescinded.

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A motion was made to approve Recommended Resolution by Ryan Winkelman supported by Jamie Hunter.

Discussion

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

XXIV. Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Sarah Lambert, at 10:25 p.m., supported by Ryan Winkelman to adjourn the June 24, 2024 board meeting.

The roll call vote passed 7 to 0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sara King  
Board Secretary