

INDIAN HILL EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
Special Meeting of March 24, 2011

A special meeting of the Indian Hill Exempted Village School District was held on Thursday, March 24, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Indian Hill High School Multipurpose Room, 6865 Drake Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45243 in accordance with notices sent to each member. Roll call showed the following members as present:

Mrs. Barber
Mrs. Lewis

Mr. Grafe
Mr. Sharp

Mrs. Johnston

Also present were Dr. Knudson, Mrs. Toth, Martha Stephen, Michael Sewell, and Antonio Shelton.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA (031114) Mrs. Lewis moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnston, to adopt the agenda of the special meeting of the Indian Hill Board of Education, as presented. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (031115) Mrs. Lewis moved, seconded by Mr. Sharp, to move into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the employment of a high school principal. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mrs. Lewis, aye

Mr. Grafe, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Mrs. Johnston, aye

The Board reconvened its special session at 7:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL – Dr. Knudson reported on the recent national search for a high school principal. Approximately ten applicants were screened and four of those sent to an Interview Committee comprised of faculty, staff, administration, parents and students. The Interview Committee met over two days to interview the four candidates; their reflections were sent to the Superintendent for consideration. Dr. Knudson indicated that while several very capable candidates applied for the position, Dr. Antonio Shelton stood out as the best person to serve as the next Principal of Indian Hill High School.

Expertise in developing professional learning communities, an understanding of current educational research, and a depth of knowledge in curriculum and instruction are among Dr. Shelton's many strengths. He is a dynamic and energetic leader with the skills and passion to successfully lead Indian Hill High School.

Dr. Shelton will come to Indian Hill having most recently served as the assistant principal of Curriculum and Instruction at Mason High School for the past two years. Prior to that time, he served as an assistant principal at Sycamore High School. Beginning his educational career as a teacher at Northwest High School in Cincinnati, Dr. Shelton taught Government, United States and World History.

Dr. Shelton received his undergraduate degree in History and Secondary Education from Hampton University in Virginia. He holds a Master's degree in Social Studies from The Ohio State University and a Master's degree in Educational Administration from the University of Cincinnati. His doctoral degree is in Educational Leadership from the University of Kentucky.

Dr. Shelton participated in the Harvard University Leadership Program; presented at the Annual Educational Leadership Reform Conference in Shanghai, China and Jyväskylä, Finland in 2006 and 2007; is a member of the Teacher Advisory Board of the National Underground Railroad Museum Center; and a volunteer for Give Back Cincinnati.

(031116) Mrs. Lewis moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnston, to appoint Antonio Shelton to serve as Principal for the 2011-12 school year at an annual salary of \$98,000.00, beginning August 1, 2011. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mrs. Lewis, aye

Mr. Grafe, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Mrs. Johnston, aye

COLLABORATION BETWEEN INDIAN HILL AND MARIEMONT - Dr. Knudson provided a copy of a draft agreement for a pilot collaboration between Indian Hill and Mariemont School Districts to permit an exchange of approximately 4-5 Indian Hill students who wish to take Multivariable Calculus at Mariemont and approximately 4-5 Mariemont students who wish to take AP Chemistry at Indian Hill next school year. No action would be taken this evening, but may be anticipated in April.

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STATE BUDGET NEWS – Dr. Knudson shared the latest information on the impact of Governor Kasich’s proposed State Biennial Budget on Indian Hill Schools beginning July 1, 2011. As understood at this meeting, the Governor’s proposed State Budget would eliminate all State Foundation funding for Indian Hill Schools (approximately \$1 million) as well as phase out (over two fiscal years) the State reimbursement for the loss of Tangible Personal Property Taxes (approximately \$600,000 in FY2012). The State Budget must be in place by June 30, 2011.

PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – Mrs. Barber provided a brief report on the March Professional Relations Committee meeting. Topics discussed included food allergy policies, protocol for community’s building usage, and pending legislation. The final meeting for this school year is scheduled for May 11, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT (031117) Mr. Sharp moved, seconded by Mrs. Lewis, to adjourn the March 24, 2011 special meeting of the Indian Hill Board of Education at 7:12 p.m. Roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Barber, aye
Mrs. Lewis, aye

Mr. Grafe, aye
Mr. Sharp, aye

Mrs. Johnston, aye

Board President

Treasurer