

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
The School District of Independence

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The Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Board of Education Office, 201 North Forest Avenue, Independence, Missouri.

Members Present: Mr. Blake Roberson, Vice President  
Mrs. Carrie Dixon, Treasurer  
Mrs. Jill Esry, Director  
Mr. Greg Finke, Director  
Mrs. Denise Fears, Director  
Mr. Anthony J. Mondaine, Director

Member Absent: Mr. Eric Knipp, President

Also Present: Dr. Dale Herl, Superintendent  
Dr. Lance Stout, Dr. Cindy Grant, Dr. Pam Boatright, Dr. Randy Maglinger,  
Dr. Anthony Robinson, Mrs. Leslie Hochsprung, Mr. Dean Katt, Mrs.  
Megan Murphy, Mrs. Sherry Potter, Mr. Todd Theen, Mr. Salum Stutzer,  
INEA, PTA, interested patrons, staff, and Ms. Annette Miller.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Mr. Blake Roberson, and minutes of the meeting were recorded by the secretary, Ms. Annette Miller. Mr. Roberson welcomed those in attendance including students and their instructor Ms. Doris Negaard from the Pathways to Education Class.

Denise Fears made the motion to approve the September 13, 2022 Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Greg Finke and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl reported the September List of Bills total is \$17,924,816.78 which is higher than normal due to Debt Service and Bond Issue project payments. Also listed is an approval to let bids for renovation of the Auditorium at Van Horn High School.

Greg Finke made the motion that the Board of Education approves the September 13, 2022 Consent Agenda as printed

1. Minutes – August 9, 2022
2. Approval of September 13, 2022 List of Bills totaling \$17,924,816.78
3. Approval of Personnel Recommendation #5 as follows:
  - A. Request to Hire (Certificated Staff) for the 2022-2023 School Year.
    1. Lee Anderson, Math Teacher
    2. Daniel Bedwell, Math Teacher
    3. Lee Feagles, Social Studies Teacher
    4. Efrem Gibson, ROTC Instructor
    5. Chad Jones, Elementary Teacher
    6. Holly Walker, Elementary Teacher
  - B. Request to Hire (Critical Shortage) Certificated Staff
    1. Katrina Lickteig, Early Childhood Special Education
4. Approval to Let Bids for the Auditorium Renovation at Van Horn High School.

The motion was seconded by Jill Esry and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl said the District had a great start to the 2022-2023 school year. Enrollment comparisons are as follows: 2020-2021 was 14,200; 2021-2022 was 14,032; and 2022-2023 is 13,899 so the District's enrollment is down about 300 students since the pandemic. He said the final Assessed Valuation dated August 30, 2022 from Jackson County reported a total of \$1,272,981,352 compared to the preliminary AV amount of \$1,272,676,041.

Several new business items were presented for the Board of Education's consideration.

Mr. Stutzer shared an update on Bond Issue projects including: 1) Storage Facilities at the Middle School Campus, Truman, Van Horn, and William Chrisman High Schools, as well as the unit at Randall Elementary School; 2) expansion of the cafeteria at Van Horn High School including previous renovation pictures of the area compared to the current improvements displaying the new kitchen equipment and furniture; 3) Secure Entries at Jim Bridger Middle School and a number of elementary schools (Christian Ott, Mill Creek, William Southern, etc.); 4) Performing Arts areas – completed work at the high schools and Pioneer Ridge Middle School. Some supply chain issues with

materials and workers were encountered this summer and delayed several projects. Mr. Stutzer stated that he appreciated everyone's patience during this time prior to the beginning of the school year and during the first few weeks of school. He complimented the Facilities and Maintenance staff on how well they prepared the school buildings for the 2022-2023 year.

Dr. Pam Boatright shared information on the 2022-2023 Assessment Plan. The assessment program provides data that teachers can use to assess their students' learning skills/progress and the program is aligned to the CSIP (Comprehensive School Improvement Plan). The District's required assessments for students includes: FastBridge (early reading, early math, aReading, and aMath) with benchmarks given in the fall to K-10 grades, winter to K-5 grades, and spring to K-10 grades. The DnA level core content common assessment is given at the end of units for K-high school grades. Dr. Boatright also shared that the MAP grade level assessments are given as follows: ELA and Math for grades 3-8; science for grades 5 and 8; and ELA, math, science IEP for grades 3-12 (Map-A). End of Course assessments are given in Algebra I (8th grade and high school), Algebra II, Biology, English II, and Government.

Dr. Herl stated that the District's 2022-2023 Assessment Plan meets the requirement of the Missouri School Improvement Plan (MSIP), Standard 6.2.5 of the Process Standards guidelines.

Denise Fears made the motion, second by Jill Esry, that the Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Assessment Plan, as required by the Missouri School Improvement Plan (MSIP) guidelines, for the Independence School District. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Stout reported that the District's transportation routes were developed based on student lists for each school and includes routes that have been designated as hazardous transportation areas. This year the District has a total of 207 routes utilizing 50 buses. The Administration is recommending approval of the 207 school bus routes for the 2022-2023 school year.

A motion was made by Jill Esry, second by Carrie Dixon, that the Board of Education approves the 207 transportation routes for the Independence School District for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl stated the Administration is recommending approval of the Local Plan for Compliance and the Assurance Statements for Sec. 613 (Part B) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, as amended by the Individuals with Disabilities Act Amendments of 2004, which is consistent with the provisions of the Missouri State Plan for Special Education for the 2022-2023 school year.

Carrie Dixon made the motion that the Board of Education approves adopting the Local Plan for Compliance and the Assurance Statements – Part B., Sec. 613 of the IDEA, to provide special education services for all children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 who meet the eligibility criteria as stated in this Plan for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion was seconded by Denise Fears and unanimously approved by the Board of Education. (Page 12383)

Dr. Herl stated the Administration is recommending approval to declare the list of items as presented as surplus. These items will be listed on GovDeals.com, recycled, sold as scrap, or discarded.

Jill Esry made the motion, second by Denise Fears, that the Board of Education approves declaring for surplus, pursuant to Section 177.091 R.S.M.o., the list of items as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

There being no further information to come before the Board of Education, Anthony J. Mondaine made the motion, second by Greg Finke, to adjourn the meeting and go into executive session for legal, real estate, and personnel issues at 6:39 p.m. The motion was approved as follows:

Ayes: Blake Roberson                      Absent: Eric Knipp  
 Carrie Dixon  
 Jill Esry  
 Greg Finke  
 Denise Fears  
 Anthony J. Mondaine

  
 Secretary

  
 Vice President



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION  
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION-COMPLIANCE

**LOCAL COMPLIANCE PLAN CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME <b>Independence School District</b>		COUNTY-DISTRICT CODE <b>048077</b>
DISTRICT CONTACT <b>Sherry Potter</b>	DISTRICT PHONE NUMBER <b>(816) 521-5300</b>	DISTRICT FAX NUMBER <b>(816) 521-5665</b>

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Complete the Adoption and Certification sections below. The form must be signed by the Board President, Superintendent, and Compliance Plan Contact.

**Submit form via MAIL or FAX to:** Special Education Compliance  
Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education  
PO Box 480  
Jefferson City, MO 65102 or Fax 573-751-3910

**QUESTIONS:** Contact Special Education Compliance at 573-751-0699 or [secompliance@dese.mo.gov](mailto:secompliance@dese.mo.gov)

**ADOPTION**

The Responsible Public Agency has chosen the following (check only one) in regard to adoption of a local plan for compliance with state and federal regulations implementing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA):

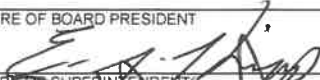


- Option A: Adopt the Model Compliance Plan made available by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).
- Option B: Adapt the Model Compliance Plan made available by the Department with agency revisions. All pages on which revisions have been made to the Model Compliance Plan with highlighted revisions are enclosed. These revisions must be approved by DESE before the agency's plan becomes final.
- Option C: Agency developed Compliance Plan (plan enclosed for DESE's approval).

**CERTIFICATION**

The Responsible Public Agency assures that the agency's Compliance Plan and applicable state and federal regulations constitute the basis for operation and administration of the activities to be carried out in the agency under Part B of the IDEA, to provide special education services for all children with disabilities between the ages of three (3) and twenty-one (21) who meet the eligibility criteria as stated in this plan and under the jurisdiction of the agency.

The Responsible Public Agency assures that programs administered under Part B of the IDEA are in accordance with the assurances provided in 34 CFR 76.301 of the General Education Provision Act (GEPA) and that federal funds made available under Part B of the IDEA are used in accordance with the excess cost and maintenance of fiscal effort and comparable services requirements of 34 CFR Sections 300.202 - 300.205 of the federal regulations governing the IDEA.

The local compliance plan was adopted by the Governing Board of the agency on \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy).

SIGNATURE OF BOARD PRESIDENT 	DATE <b>9-13-22</b>
SIGNATURE OF SUPERINTENDENT 	DATE <b>9-13-22</b>
SIGNATURE OF COMPLIANCE PLAN CONTACT PERSON 	DATE

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