



Irvington Community Schools, Inc.
Board of Governors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 22, 2026
6:00 PM
Irvington Community Middle School

I. Welcome/Call to Order- Board Chair Heather Rodriguez

A meeting of the Irvington Community Schools Board of Governance was held in person at Irvington Community Middle School on Wednesday, April 22, 2026. The Board of Governors present were Heather Rodriguez, Keith Young, Erica Young, Eric Serrano, Justin Hagen, Chloe Edwards, and Madison Monfreda. Ms. Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. Review and Approval of February 25, 2026 minutes of the board of Governors
Meeting Secretary Eric Serrano

The minutes from the meeting of the Board of Governors, held on February 25, 2026, were previously distributed to the Governors and reviewed. The Governors voted to approve the minutes as distributed. It was noted that a Board of Governors meeting was not held in March due to the Spring ICS leadership and Board of Governors retreat.

III. Q3 Soaring Ravens Acknowledgement held

The Board held the Q3 Soaring Ravens Acknowledgement and recognized one student from ICES, ICMS, and IPA for their accomplishments and for being nominated as the Q3 Soaring Raven for their respective school. The Q3 Soaring Ravens awards were presented to students Christy Duffer, Helen Rodriguez, Walker Hargraves, Madeleine Huckstep, and Oliver Lettsky.

IV. COO/Interim CEO Report- Rod Iberg

The March financial statement was reviewed, showing efforts to absorb a revenue loss of around \$1.3 million due to decreased enrollment.

The school is currently awaiting a \$460,000 grant reimbursement that will hit in April.

The board was informed that approximately \$1.6 million in budget adjustments will be implemented to account for the revenue drop.

An update was provided regarding the new IPEC board, which replaces the IPS

board for charter school regulation and will manage tax levies and referendums. The board unanimously voted to approve the Huntington Bank Credit Card Resolution.

The board also unanimously voted to approve the 2024 990 Tax Return.

V. Interim CAO Report- Rosemary McCloskey

The state of Indiana is mandating a tiered math system for grades K-8 beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.

This new mandate requires the use of state-approved universal screeners and targeted interventions for students not meeting grade-level expectations.

The school applied for a Digital Learning Grant to implement a new AI platform called School AI for both teachers and students.

The School Improvement Grant (SIG) was highlighted as a funding opportunity for qualifying schools, and IPA is preparing to apply.

Funds from the Teacher Appreciation Grant (TAG) will be distributed to selected teachers after a readjustment process.

VI. ICES Updates- Rosemary McCloskey

The elementary school is currently in its testing season, conducting I-Learn, I-Read retakes, NWEA, and Acadience assessments.

The school plans to move into departmentalization for grades 3 through 5 next year, having teachers focus specifically on reading/social studies or math/science.

The elementary school is also converting an extra classroom into a dedicated school library.

VII. ICMS Updates- Jennifer Roberts

The middle school is currently navigating its own testing season and tracking data to guide instruction.

The 8th-grade trip to Washington D.C. is scheduled to depart on May 16th.

The 8th-grade graduation ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 21st at 6:00 PM.

The middle school celebrated the successful launch and recent wins of its inaugural Ravens soccer team.

VIII. IPA Updates- Jana Goebel

Irvington Preparatory Academy officially earned its Early College High School Endorsement, making it one of 62 in the state. IPA hosted board members and donors as a model program for its partnership with Christel House International.

A Speed Interview event for high school seniors is scheduled for April 28th.

Tracking data from the SAT showed that 72% of juniors experienced growth in reading and 68% in math.

IX. Committee Reports

The Academic Committee echoed the updates previously provided by the school principals.

The Governance Committee reported on finalizing job descriptions for the CEO and CAO searches and consulting with attorneys regarding conflict of interest policies.

The Advancement Committee discussed launching a brick campaign to raise funds for the school.

The CEO Search committee finished their first round of interviews and plans to schedule a town hall for final candidates in May.

The CAO Search posting has closed with two candidates, and interviews are scheduled around May 5th and May 6th.

The next board meeting has been moved to Tuesday, May 26th due to graduation week activities.

Raven Fest will take place on Saturday, April 25th from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at IPA.

X. Other Business

Under Other Business, the Board received ICS leadership updates from Justin Hagen regarding the CEO search and from Keith Young regarding the CAO search. The Board also noted that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26 at 6:00 p.m.

XI. Closing Items

Under Closing Items, public comments were invited, and the Board noted that Raven Fest would be held on Saturday, April 25, at IPA from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

XII. Adjournment, 6:56 p.m.

There being no further business, Ms. Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at

6:56 PM. Respectfully submitted,
Eric Serrano