

STARK COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #100
Stark, Knox, Marshall, Henry & Peoria Counties, Illinois

Regular Meeting – November 21, 2016

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 21, 2016 at the Stark County Elementary School. Members present were Robert Groter, Matthew Nagode, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, David Steward and Bruce West. Also present were Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; William Lamb, Jr. High/High School Principal; Jenna Bibb, Elementary Principal; students and residents of the district, and members of the press.

The meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Rewerts, at 5:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn to Executive Session for the discussion of appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of employees, student discipline and review of previous Executive Session Minutes at 5:01 p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Groter, to reconvene from Executive Session at 6:02 p.m. and to hold the minutes, Not for Release. Motion was Approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Groter, to approve the Executive Session minutes of October 17, 2016, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to continue to hold the following Executive Session Minutes, Not for Release: April 18, 2016, May 16, 2016, June 20, 2016, July 18, 2016, August 15, 2016 and September 19, 2016. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Groter, to employ Nicole Irving as Jr. High cheerleading sponsor, effective immediately. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to approve a three-year contract with Elementary principal, Jenna Bibb, with a salary in the first two years of the contract of \$72,000 plus the difference in premium cost between single and family health insurance of the 2016-2017 policy, and she will also assume the roles of District Title I coordinator and Pre-K Coordinator. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, that based upon and after the Board's consideration of the evidence and testimony of the expulsion hearing held on November 21, 2016, the Board of Education finds that Student No. 4C1 has committed an act of gross misconduct as charged by the District's Administration. This is in violation of Board Policy 7:190 Student Behavior-Prohibited Student Conduct. That the Board of Education expel Student No 4C1 from Stark County CUSD #100 for two calendar years beginning November 22, 2016 through November 22, 2018. Prior to considering a recommendation for expulsion, given the nature of the misconduct and the

severe threat to safety of students, staff and the school community, the District's administration has determined there are no other appropriate and available behavioral and disciplinary interventions. Removing Student No 4C1 from the learning environment is in the best interest of the school because this student's continued presence in school would pose a threat to the safety of other students, staff or members of the school community and/or substantially disrupt, impede or interfere with the operation of the school. The duration of Student No. 4C1's expulsion is appropriate based upon, the illegal nature of the misconduct, the safety concerns, and the disruption caused by the misconduct. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to employ Miss Kristina McCormick, subject to meeting licensing requirements, as High School Spanish teacher beginning January 3, 2017. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve the consent calendar. Items approved under the consent calendar were:

- Approval of the October 17, 2016 minutes;
- Approval of the October Jr. High Activity Fund, High School Activity Fund, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the October LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$617.22, Stark County CUSD 100 \$156,961.56, BC/BS of Illinois \$50,494.29, Guardian \$384.48, Guardian \$3,279.96, Guardian \$504.93, Guardian \$403.64, State Disbursement Unit \$78.00, State Bank of Toulon \$1,750,000.00, U.S. Postal Service \$500.00, Stark County Sheriff's Office \$500.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$160,680.49, Century Link Business Services \$167.98, Xeros Corporation \$945.00, VISA \$139.74, VISA \$419.07, VISA \$334.89, Sharon Kuntz \$87.50, Vicki Moutoux \$615.00, CNHI Capital-Productivity Plus \$129.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$200.00, U.S. Postal Service \$500.00, Imprest Fund \$4,744.16.

Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to approve the November bills of \$134,547.26. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

There were no visitor comments.

Administrative Reports:

Mrs. Bibb reported Homework Hangout has started and is focusing on Math and Reading this year. The second round of RtI-Tier III meetings have taken place. The Elementary Christmas programs are scheduled for Wednesday, December 14th at the Stark County High School gym with the K-2 program beginning at 6:00 and the 3-5 program beginning at 7:15.

Mr. Lamb reported the High School continues to prepare for the SAT and freshmen, sophomores and juniors will participate in an assessment test in April. The Jr. High Science Olympiad team is being coached by volunteers, Al Curry and Tim Wagner, and has approximately 30 students participating. Semester exams will be given December

15th and 16th. Seniors who made the May 2016 honor roll are exempt from all exams (except dual-credit and IVS Spanish) and will not be in attendance. Underclassmen who met the Renaissance reward criteria (3.75 gpa) may be exempt for 1 or two exams, but will be in attendance those days. He reported there may be enough students for a Distance Learning/Dual Credit biology class. Mr. Lamb reported there is low interest in basketball cheerleading and may need to make some revisions.

Mr. Klooster presented the School Report card and stated he would be posting the “At a Glance” page on the district website and will send a written notice to parents notifying them of the report cards’ availability. He provided a progress sheet on the Board Goals from the July Retreat and asked if there was still interest in possibly having a mid-year Board Retreat. He presented the annual Health-Life-Safety inspection report and stated we are still in consultation with the Regional Office of Education and architect on some items. He provided an expenditure comparison to date.

Committee Reports:

Academics is Priority #1 Committee: Mrs. Orwig reported the committee met on October 26 and discussed establishing criteria for the alumni academic Hall of Fame and planning the State of the District event scheduled for March 18 at Stark County High School.

Athletics Facilities Fundraising Committee: Mr. Nagode reported the committee had met November 1st. A media event is scheduled for 5:00 on November 22 in the High School gym to officially kick-off the fundraising campaign. An informational brochure will be placed in the Prairie Shopper. Donations will be a tax-exempt donation. A straw poll of the Board verified they are committed to completing the proposed projects and if necessary, utilizing existing balances to ensure completion.

Education: Mrs. Orwig reported the committee met on November 10th. The only additional items to the written report were a revised curriculum resource rotation list noting the expiration of licenses and the committee was recommending changing the “textbook rotation” to “curriculum resource rotation”.

Policy Committee: Mr. Steward reported the committee met on November 16th and had reviewed the policies being presented later in the agenda for the first reading.

Finance Committee: Mr. West reported the committee met on October 25 to review the proposed levy. Mr. Klooster provided the following information on the proposed 2016 levy: According to the Stark County assessor, we may receive a 2 to 2 ½ percent increase in taxable EAV district-wide based on current county numbers. Based on this estimate, he recommended a total levy, including bonds and interest of \$5,365,867. This is about \$50,818 less than last year’s total extension and if approved at this amount would result in a district total tax rate reduction to about \$5.12. The levy is based on a projected total EAV increase of 3%, though, it is very possible that the EAV within the district will not increase by 3%, and we will receive less than what we are asking for. Though not required by law, the Finance committee recommends that a Truth-in-Taxation hearing at the December 19 meeting prior to the adoption of the 2016 levy.

Mr. Rewerts reported that the Board attended the Triple-I Conference on November 18-20. The members attended sessions on collective bargaining, updates on SB100, legislative updates, school safety, fundraising and IHSA presentations.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the preliminary levy plans and to schedule a Truth-in-Taxation hearing and final adoption of the 2016 levy at the December 19, 2016 Board of Education meeting. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to offer an open gym to post high school age community members at the Stark County Athletic Complex on Sunday afternoons beginning after the IHSA football season and ending after the IHSA boys' basketball season and to employ John Carroll to supervise the open gym. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve the school report card and direct the superintendent to post it on the District web site. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the first reading of the following policies and exhibits: 2:70, 6:100, 6:235, 7:10, 8:90, 8:110, 2:30, 2:120, 2:125, 2:125-E1, 2:125-E2, 2:125-E3, 2:200, 2:220, 2:250, 3:40, 3:50, 4:10, 4:55, 4:60, 4:80, 4:110, 4:130, 4:150, 4:170, 4:175, 5:10, 5:30, 5:60, 5:100, 5:125, 5:185, 5:190, 5:250, 5:260, 5:280, 5:330, 6:15, 6:50, 6:60, 6:140, 6:145, 6:160, 6:170, 6:310, 6:340, 7:15, 7:30, 7:50, 7:60, 7:70, 7:190, 7:250, 7:260, 7:270, 7:305, 7:310, 7:315, 7:340, 8:30, 8:70, 8:100. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Items for the next meeting: Truth-in-Taxation Hearing, Adoption of the 2016 Levy, Approval of Policy Changes, Discussion of Building Security over Christmas Break, Discussion of Possible Mid-Year Board Retreat, Action to Support the Facility Upgrades.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adjourn at 6:43 p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Brian Rewerts
President

Elizabeth Rumbold
Secretary