

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

Regular Meeting – December 19, 2016

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 19, 2016 at the Stark County Elementary School. Members present were Robert Groter, Ann Orwig, Elizabeth Rumbold, David Steward and Bruce West. Also present were Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; William Lamb, Jr.High/High School Principal; students and residents of the district, and a member of the press. (Board members, Matthew Nagode and Brian Rewerts, and Jenna Bibb, Elementary Principal, were absent.)

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Mr. Groter, at 6:00 p.m.

The Truth in Taxation Hearing was held. Mr. Klooster stated the district is asking for \$4,933,768 for the 2016 levy not including debt service. This represents an increase of 1.38% from last year.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the consent calendar. Items approved under the consent calendar were:

- Approval of the November 21, 2016 minutes;
- Approval of the November Jr. High Activity Fund, High School Activity Fund, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the November LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$654.46, Stark County CUSD 100 \$142,443.18, BC/BS of Illinois \$51,035.18, BC/BS of Illinois \$666.00, Guardian \$391.50, Guardian \$3,279.96, Guardian \$517.63, Guardian \$403.67, State Disbursement Unit \$78.00, Dean Rosebecke \$322.50, VISA \$262.94, VISA 36.21, VISA \$574.69, Stark County CUSD 100 \$390.00, Star County Sheriff's Office \$437.50, Stark County CUSD 100 \$155,145.94, Vicki Moutoux \$585.00, Century Link Business Services \$138.21, State Bank of Toulon \$515,638.16, IHSA \$1,785.00, Imprest Fund \$6,091.47.

Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve the December bills of \$140,927.58. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

There were no visitor comments.

Committee Reports:

Henry-Stark Special Education: Mr. Klooster reported the Governing Board approved the recommendations of the Executive Board

Foundation: Mr. West reported the group met on December 6th and discussed different fundraisers. The group will be selling gondola sandwiches at the girls' basketball game on January 9th and will have a spaghetti supper February 10th prior to the boys' basketball game. Mr. Klooster reported that due to low balances, the group has not been able to commit to any teacher grants this year. He reported that at least two

additional \$500 foundation scholarships for students are available because of an anonymous donation of \$1,000. The fundraising committee is tentatively planning to host a golf tournament this summer. The foundation will take over management of the Kenneth Ebert Scholarship. The group agreed to some investment changes in respect to the Poe monies. The next meeting is scheduled for March 7th.

Administrative Reports:

(Mrs. Bibb – nothing in addition to her written report.)

Mr. Lamb reported enrollment has held steady. Professional development focus on writing will continue on January 3rd. Current sophomores and juniors have begun course schedule requests for the 2017-2018 school year. Black Hawk College will be offering a dual credit college-level biology course at the high school this fall, with the course being taught by a BHE instructor. Bradford eighth grade students will visit the high school on January 19th.

Mr. Klooster provided reports on the following Superintendent Committees:

- **Academics is Priority #1 Committee:** Mrs. Orwig reported the committee continues to plan for the State of the District Dinner to be held in the spring and plans are being made to roll out the Academic Hall of Fame.
- **Athletic Facility Fundraising Committee:** Mr. Klooster reported a press conference was held November 22nd and the State Bank of Toulon and Rumbold & Kuhn each pledged \$25,000 toward the project over a five year period. He also reported additional pledges have been received since the press conference. The group will be working with the Stark County Elementary Parent Club on a fundraising dinner in April. The committee will meet January 5th to continue planning fundraising events and create timelines for project bids.

He reported the Teachers' Association has agreed to an initial meeting on January 18th to begin collective bargaining. He will be meeting with the Teachers' association soon to discuss the 2017-2018 school calendar and asked the board members if there were any parameters they would like to discuss. He reported the lines and logo on the gym floor at the elementary are either missing or faded and he had received a quote from the original installer to repaint both over break at a cost of \$1600. He asked if there was any objection to proceeding with the project, hearing none, he said would make arrangements to have the repaint project completed. He provided a budget expenditure status report.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adopt the 2016 tax levy as presented, and to direct the superintendent to file the necessary paperwork with the county clerks. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. West, to adopt 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 5-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster reported a requirement of the new Local Government Travel Expense Control Act is that each year the board must set a maximum allowable reimbursement for travel, meals and lodging expenses for board members and employees. He recommended the adoption of the attached resolution setting the maximum annual allowable reimbursement for travel, meal and lodging expenses for board members and staff at the budgeted amount of \$21,400, effective as of this date until the resolution is rescinded or replaced. Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. Steward to adopt the resolution as presented. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to support a financial commitment toward the completion of the four projects within the scope of the current athletic facility upgrade plan by paying for any portion of the total project that is not ultimately and sufficiently covered through fundraising and using district monies to pay for work “up front” in order to expedite project completion. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of a mid-year board retreat to review board goals. Consensus of the board was to try for a January date and to include a visit to each school during the retreat.

Mr. Klooster reported that one of the requirements under the Youth Sports Concussion Safety Act is to establish a Concussion Oversight Team for the District to be responsible for establishing “return to play” and “return to learn” protocols based on peer reviewed scientific evidence consistent with guidelines from the CDC. The following were recommended to serve as team members: Bill Lamb, Principal; Cheryl Daum, School Health Aide, Scott Paxson, AD; and Dr. Brandon Bockewitz, Physician from Unity Point Clinic. Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Steward, to establish a Concussion Oversight Team for the District and approve Bill Lamb, Cheryl Daum, Scott Paxson, and Dr. Brandon Bockewitz to serve as the team members. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster reported he had posted the position for a Jr. High/High School Assistant Principal/District Curriculum Coordinator. He presented the following compensation package for consideration: a 12-month contract with a starting salary of \$62,500, TRS and paid single health insurance, plus 4 weeks vacation and paid legal holidays.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to accept the resignation of Angela Lamb as ELL Interventionist, effective the end of the first semester or at such time as a qualified replacement can be found. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to direct Mr. Lamb to subcontract with a local law enforcement agency for additional night time security at the schools over Christmas break. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Items for the next meeting: Salute to Illinois State Scholars, Annual State of the District Report, Possible Renewal of Auditor Contract, Superintendent Evaluation, Tech Committee Presentation, Other.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Brian Rewerts, President

Elizabeth Rumbold, Secretary

APPROVED: January 23, 2017

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Mid-Year School Board Retreat
January 19, 2017

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met Thursday, January 19, 2017 at the District Office in Wyoming for the Inaugural Mid-Year School Board Retreat. Members present were Robert Groter, Matthew Nagode, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, and Bruce West. Also present was Jerry Klooster, Superintendent. (David Steward was absent.)

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Rewerts, at 10:00 a.m.

The Board reviewed the progress related to the goals established at the June 2016 Board Retreat.

Driveway and Parking Lot Work: New driveway and Jr. High parking lot entrance were paved in the fall. Quotes for replacement of the High School main parking lot, the Jr. High parking lot and the "old tennis court" parking lot were received in August 2016. The Board consensus was to wait until the next Board retreat to consider any parking lot replacements, to seal the long jump approach, and consider adding lighting to all parking lots. Also discussed possible actions related to the large sycamore tree in the Jr. High parking lot.

Athletic Facility Fundraiser: The Building Committee and Booster Club have met several times and the next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2017. Agreement has been reached on the scope of the project, fiduciary responsibilities and fundraising goals (\$350K). The fundraiser has been announced at games, on the radio, signs announcing the project were purchased, articles have been published in the newspapers, the school website and Facebook page. The "roll out media event" took place during the week of Thanksgiving and pledges received to date exceed \$100,000. Bids are scheduled to go out soon for the High School gym floor replacement and the football bleachers. Completion of the floor and bleacher projects are tentatively planned for the summer of 2017.

FY17 Budget: We began the FY17 year expecting deficits in the Education and Building Funds. We are currently within the annual budgeted expenditures in those fund and will run deficits in both funds.

Staffing for FY18: We have nine teachers retiring at the end of the 2016-2017 school year and we plan to fill eight of those positions. Several positions were posted in December 2016 and interviews are expected to begin in January 2017.

2016 Levy: The levy recommended in December was based on a possible 3% increase in EAV. The levy in the four operating funds were maximized in order to safeguard against unexpected expenses. The total tax rate should decrease approximately 20 cents.

Collective Bargaining: The initial meeting was held January 18, 2017. The Association presented some language changes. The Board discussed possible contact length, language items and costs.

Long Distance Learning Lab: The HS Principal and IT Coordinator are working with area districts and BHE on coordination, scheduling, program planning and hardware installation. A quote for hardware that will meet our needs and allow for future growth has been received. We have a room in which to locate the lab and are planning for shared classes with other districts and/or BHE beginning in August of 2017. (No guaranteed fall classes at this time.)

1-1 Technology Initiative: The 1-1 technology initiative is in place and plans are underway for the 2017-2018 school year. Discussed student buy-out cost for three-year old Chromebooks and the purchase of new Chromebooks. The Technology Committee will present student and teacher survey results at the January 23, 2017 Board meeting.

Dual Credit Expansion: The 2016-2017 school year began with 12 students enrolled in Physics, 25 students enrolled in English 101 and 8 students enrolled in Music Theory at Stark County High School. Sixteen students are taking 32 dual credit courses at BHE, primarily in Speech and Psychology. Beginning in August 2017, we plan to offer dual credit Biology at Stark County High School.

SAT Preparation: Mr. Lamb is working with the Leadership Team to provide instructional readiness, classroom and school-sponsored testing practice and optional additional SAT online practice. Princeville is hosting a series of SAT evening prep classes in March and our high school students have been invited to participate (there is a cost to the students).

Textbook Rotation Plan: The table below was the recommended rotation plan:

17/18	6-12 ELA & Ind. Arts (1); Handwriting (should not be a significant cost, but a focus); K-5 Special Education ELA, K-5 Rtl Math
18/19	6-12 Social Studies; K-5 Special Education Math; K-5 Mentor Text Library
19/20	9-12 Business, FaCS; K-5 Social Studies
20/21	9-12 Science; Evaluate K-5 Math and ELA

Mid-Year Board Retreat: The consensus of the Board was to consider repeating the mid-year retreat in 2018.

State of the District Program: The Academics is Priority #1 committee is planning a State of the District program to be held March 18th at Stark County High School and will include work displays featuring students and teachers.

District Facebook Account: The Board consensus is that the new Facebook account is positive and informative and suggested including extra-curricular cancellations.

The Board adjourned at noon to tour the three schools and had lunch with the Jr. High students Toulon cafeteria. They reconvened at 2:35 in the District Office.

FY18 Calendar: Discussed items related to the 2017-2018 school calendar.

Discussion was held regarding timeline for possible administrative job search.

There was no Executive Session.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn at approximately 3:05 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Brian Rewerts, President

Elizabeth Rumbold, Secretary

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