

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

**Regular Meeting – November 18, 2019**

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 18, 2019 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 Dr. Nick Sutton, Superintendent; Jeff Utsinger, Jr. High/High School Principal and Jenna Bibb, Elementary Principal; Scott Burge and Jenna Joo, Farnsworth Group; teachers, staff and citizens of the District, and a member of the press. (Brian Rewerts absent.)

The meeting was called to order by President, Mrs. Orwig, at 6:15 p.m.

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

- Approval of the October 21, 2019 minutes;
- Approval of the October Activity Funds, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the October LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$681.66, Wallace Engineering & Surveying Co., Inc. \$100.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$137,561.51; BC/BS of Illinois \$48,946.89, Guardian \$363.88, Guardian \$2,630.20, Guardian \$436.32, Guardian \$608.85, State Disbursement Unit \$1,000.00, Gustafson Ford \$21,186.00, State Bank of Toulon \$1,500,000.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$152,261.25, Sharon Kuntz \$234.00, Jennifer Nutzhorn \$400.00, Cymax Stores USA, LLC \$1,000.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$1,320.60, James Unland & Co., Inc. \$298.00, VISA \$181.98, VISA \$165.00, VISA \$2,074.32, U.S. Postal Service \$500.00, Imprest Fund \$7,511.30.

Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve the November bills of \$151,690.13. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

**Visitor Comments:**

Larry Hollis, Toulon Mayor, expressed support on the discussion of building improvements at the Toulon campus and his appreciation the board members' service.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mrs. Bibb reported the Elementary received the designation of "commendable" from the ISBE. The Elementary continue to work on the school improvement goal as measured by Eureka Math assessments. Four teachers attended the Great Minds' Institute and will share information at the in-service on Wednesday. The Parent Club auction is scheduled for February 29<sup>th</sup> with proceeds going toward air-conditioning the elementary classrooms and they will also be partnering with the Education Foundation.

Mr. Utsinger reported the Jr. High and High Schools continue to work on increasing moral, student participation in activities/teams and creating a unified Jr. High and High School. He recognized Mr. Lowery and Mr. Swanson for their work on the Veteran's

Day program along with all participants who were instrumental in providing a memorable program for the veterans. Wednesday's in-service will be dedicated to the advisory period.

Dr. Sutton reported all three schools received "commendable" recognition on the School Report Card. IASB Press is recommending a number of policy recommendation due to changes in legislation and he will recommend approval of the policies at the December meeting in order to be in compliance January 1. He reviewed snow cancellation procedures. He stated the new phone system with voice mail and auto attendant is in place. The State has released the guidelines for E-Learning day, but there are still some questions that need to be addressed and there is a concern of the number of students without internet access.

**Committee Reports:**

**Education Committee:** Mrs. Orwig reported the committee met on November 6 and discussed staffing for next year and beyond, library and Rtl, and received an update on the recent Job Fair.

**Finance Committee:** Mr. West reported the committee had met earlier in the evening to discuss next year's levy. The District EAV is up from 111 million to 115 million. The proposed total tax rate is \$5.21 compared to last year's rate of 5.18.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the preliminary levy and to hold a Truth in Taxation hearing at the December 16, 2019 meeting. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Scott Burge and Jenna Joo, Farnsworth Group, presented potential costs for the three options for building renovation at the Jr. High/High School presented at the October meeting. Costs ranged from 10,852,116 to 14,991,612. Discussion/questions followed regarding issuing bonds, grant availability, impact on placement of planned solar panels, current roof repairs/replacement needed at the High School and Jr. High, need for temporary classrooms during construction and impact of possible State mandated consolidation. Dr. Sutton stated the District has bonding capacity to fund any of the three options and asked the Board to consider authorization next month for him to work with a bond company to move forward on the process.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the camera access policy with the Stark County Sheriff Department. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve the Athletic Uniform schedule as presented with the Board budgeting up to \$2,000.00 per year toward costs and giving the Athletic Director final decision on replacement needs. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the Student Accelerated Policy as presented. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Dr. Sutton reported the state school report cards had been received and that each of the three schools received the recognition status of "commendable". Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. Groter, to approve the state school report cards and the school designations. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Angela Roark, Jackie Colgan and Brenda Macke gave a presentation on replacement of the thrust stage used for the musical. The quote received for replacement is \$19,558.60 and includes storage carts, stairs and skirt. They have \$10,000 of pledged donations and asked if the Board would consider paying balance.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the FY21 Risk Management Plan as presented. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Items for the next meeting: Tax Levy Hearing, approval of tax levy rates, possible action of thrust stage purchase, possible authorization to sign an engagement letter with a bond agent, possible approval of new board policies.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing appointment; employment, compensation; performance or dismissal of employees; student discipline and review of previous Executive Session Minutes at 7:22 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

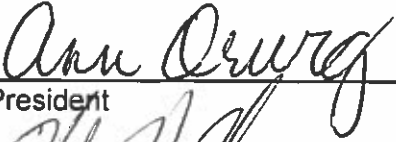
Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Groter, to reconvene from Executive Session at 7:58 p.m. and to hold the Executive Session minutes, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.


Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to approve October 21, 2019 Executive Session Minutes and hold, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to employ Heidi Reay as a full-time Rtl aide, effective immediately. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mrs. Rumbold announced the resignation of Lynzi Mummert, paraprofessional, effective the end of her twelve-week FMLA leave.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn at 7:59 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

  
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