

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

**Regular Meeting – August 17, 2020**

The Stark Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 17, 2020 at the Stark County Elementary School. Members present were Emily Holman, Matthew Nagode, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, and Bruce West. Also present were Brett Elliott, Superintendent; Jenna Bibb, Elementary Principal; Jeff Utsinger, JrH/High School Principal; Anne Snyder, Dean of Students; faculty, staff and citizens of the district and a member of the press. (David Steward was absent.)

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by President, Mrs. Orwig, at 6:15 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and the Mission and Vision statements were recited.

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

- Approval of the July 20, 2020 minutes
- Approval of the July Imprest Fund and Treasurer's reports;
- Approval of the July LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$176.35, Accident Fund \$44,926.00, James Unland & Company, Inc. \$79,727.00, Gerber Life Insurance Company, Inc. \$4,228.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$113,413.05, BC/BS of Illinois \$46,259.89, Guardian \$356.49, Guardian \$2,787.83, Guardian \$436.32, Guardian \$564.22, State Bank of Toulon \$2,100,000.00, Midwest Bus Leasing, LLC \$56,818.02, United States Treasury \$95.55, National Elevator Inspection Services \$230.00, U.S. Postal Service \$500.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$111,550.09, Menards – Peoria \$93.97, VISA \$20.49, VISA \$370.84, Imprest Fund \$7,052.56.

Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve the August bills of \$209,497.70. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

“Pride and Excellence” Student/Staff/Community Recognition was given to the Wyoming and Toulon Fire Departments in recognition of volunteering to hang banners at the Elementary and JrHigh/High campuses; Barb Loane and Mary Streitmatter for their work involved during the accounting software conversion and preparation for the fiscal audit; Mary Beth Kelly and volunteers – Rebecca Klemm, Mary Meaker, Ashlie Hamilton, Jill Klooster, Crystal McRell, Renee Wallace, Nicole Mercer, Melody Anderson and Tonya Joos, for converting the Elementary library resource to an all-digital format.

There were no visitor comments.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Mr. West reported the committee had met twice, once to review health insurance options and prior to the evening's meeting to review the preliminary budget. After reviewing the health insurance options the Insurance Committee would like to

recommend going to a partially self-funded health insurance plan in hopes of more predictable premiums and potential savings.

Mrs. Orwig reported that at the Annual Retreat it was discussed and recommended the combination and restructure of the Board Committees as follows:

**Building/Finance:** Mr. West (chr), Mrs. Rumbold, Mr. Nagode, Ms. Holman,  
Mr. Steward

**Negotiations/Policy:** Mr. Steward (chr), Ms. Holman, Mr. Nagode, Mrs. Orwig

**Education/Extra-Curricular:** Mrs. Orwig (chr), Mr. Rewerts, Mr. West

**Henry-Stark Special Education Governing Board:** Elizabeth Rumbold

**Education Foundation:** Mr. Rewerts, Mr. West

**Henry-Stark Special Education:** Mrs. Rumbold reported at the recent meeting they reviewed the proposed budget, discussed personnel and personnel concerns.

#### **Administrative Reports:**

Mrs. Bibb reported the Instructional Leadership Team have been working the last ten months using the Cycles of Inquiry school improvement process , focusing on vertical alignment of the English Language Arts curriculum with a focus on foundational phonics skills and word etymology. The Eureka Math implementation will continue this school year. The Elementary will be using Seesaw as a communications platform for students and families. She thanked the members of the Logistics Team (Trisha Berchtold, Debbie Ford, Hayley Down, Lori Grinnell, and Emily Stahl) for their work in preparation of school reopening. She reported funds from the American Heart grant will be used to purchase two water refilling stations.

Mr. Utsinger reported 6<sup>th</sup> grade and 9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation had been held earlier in the day. He thanked the members of the Logistics Team and the Transition Team for the work they had done for the reopening of school. The new teachers have been paired with mentors.

Mr. Elliott reported the Jr. High roof project has been delayed due to company health concerns and delayed product delivery. The flashing work is currently being completed and the remainder of the project will be completed upon receipt of the materials. Teachers and staff had received extensive training to prepare for the opening of school. The District received word that we qualified for free breakfast and lunch for all students through a USDA four-year grant. New teacher orientation was held for the nine new teachers. Farnsworth held an open house for potential construction managers for the High School renovation project and the application window closes at 4:00 p.m. on September 4, 2020. The Health-Life-Safety inspection was done by the Regional Office of Education.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to pass the resolution to issue up to \$14,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds for the Toulon Campus Renovation. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Travis Loyd of Future Green Energy gave a presentation on the Solar Panel Project.

Motion was made by Mr. Rewerts, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the 2020-2021 Administrative Goals as presented. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the Farnsworth Architecture Project Service Agreement for the High School renovation and the Jr. High health-life-safety project. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Elliott presented an amended calendar for 2020-2021 school year designating August 17 and 18 as remote planning days and November 3 as a holiday. Motion was made by Ms. Holman, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve the amended calendar for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Elliott presented information on the FY21 tentative budget. Projected expenditures and revenues in the operating funds are:

Education Fund - \$6,976,335 in revenues, \$6,929,173 in expenditures

Building Fund - \$867,376 in revenues, \$1,113,504 in expenditures

Transportation Fund - \$482,671 in revenues, \$475,336 in expenditures

Project that total expenses will exceed total revenues in the four operating funds by an estimated \$191,631.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the FY21 tentative budget as presented and to place the budget on public display for the next 30 days, hold a public hearing on the budget and final approval at the September 19, 2020 meeting. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

The FY21 PRESS Policy Updates, August 2020 Issue 105 were presented for the first reading.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Ms. Holman, to let bids for unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel for the period beginning December 1, 2020 and extending through November 30, 2021. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Rewerts, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the FY21 Non-Certified Handbook. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve the 2020-2021 Bus Staff Handbook. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Elliott presented a request to purchase Smart Music App for Music Program that will provide a platform that supports all e-Learning as well as creative learning opportunities in the classroom. Motion was made by Mr. Rewerts, seconded by Ms. Holman to approve the purchase of Smart Music App for Music Program at a cost of \$1,430 for a one-year subscription. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve a self-funded health insurance program for health insurance to eligible staff. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Elliott presented the FY20 Administrative and Teacher Salary and Benefits report.

Mr. Elliott presented an overview of the back-up plans in the event we are placed on full remote learning.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Ms. Holman, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding to provide retirees additional COVID leave days to not jeopardize retirement requirements while adding five (5) additional COVID leave days to all other teachers and staff for FY21. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Items for the next meeting: Budget Hearing, Approval of PRESS Policy Updates, Future Green Solar Contract, Audit Report, Let Snow Removal Bids, approval of District Curriculum.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing appointment, employment, performance or dismissal of employees at 7:50 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:04 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 Mrs. Orwig, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of July 20, 2020, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West to employ Alexander Southe as social studies teacher for the 2020-2021 school year –and- Abbey DeSplinter as a 7-hour cafeteria worker for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Rewerts to hire the following sponsors/coaches for the 2020-2021 school year:

- \* Sarah Stieghorst as Jr. High Stark Smart sponsor
- \* Melissa Nagode-Jackson as lunch supervisor
- \* Taylor Wilkinson as Freshman Class sponsor
- \* Gayle Grundstrom as National Honor Society sponsor
- \* Victoria Harmon as Sophomore Class sponsor
- \* Victoria Harmon as after school supervisor
- \* Skyler Anderson for before school supervision

Mrs. Rumbold announced the resignation of Deb Nelson as Jr. Class sponsor.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West to hire the following sponsors/coaches for the 2020-2021 school year:

- \* Deb Nelson for Senior Class sponsor
- \* Angela McGrath as Detention Supervisor
- \* Lonny Dennison as 7<sup>th</sup> grade Boys Basketball coach

- \* Cathy Gibler as a long-term sub for Kyli Whittle's maternity leave beginning in late September.
  - \* Darcy McCommons for morning high school supervision
- Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mrs. Rumbold announced the resignation of Angela Olson, High School English teacher, effective immediately.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the following as volunteer coaches for the 2020-2021 school year:

- \* Dylan Miller - High School football
- \* Rob Finney - golf
- \* Bob Bohm - High School girls basketball
- \* Jake Lowery - High School boys/girls cross country
- \* Bob Rennick - girls' track
- \* Kim Becker - girls' track
- \* Madison DeRuiter - High School cheerleading
- \* Dustin Browning - Jr. High baseball
- \* Jessica Woods - Jr. High softball
- \* Tim Giesenhagen - Jr. High and High School baseball

Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.  
Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Ann Orwig  
President

Elizabeth Rumbold  
Secretary

Approved: September 21, 2020