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

### Regular Meeting – December 21, 2015

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 21, 2015 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; Jennie Hawkey, Curriculum Coordinator; students of the district, citizen and a member of the press.

The meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Rewerts, at 6:00 p.m.

The Truth in Taxation hearing was held. Mr. Klooster presented information regarding the proposed tax levy.

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

- Approval of the November 16, 2015 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 \$1,687.70, Stark County CUSD 100 \$157,999.56, BC/BS of Illinois \$45,314.04, Guardian \$394.33, Guardian \$3,137.18, Guardian \$435.93, Guardian \$410.12, Dean Rosebecke \$260.00, Stark County Sheriff's Office \$500.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$500.00, Illinois Director of Employment Security \$1,073.00, VISA \$67.62, VISA \$434.50, VISA \$1,164.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$152,102.24, Vicki Moutoux \$450.00, U.S. Postal Service \$500.00, Stark County CUSD 100 \$260.00, Century Link Business Services \$103.55, CNHI Capital \$324.14, Imprest Fund \$4,263.61.

Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the December bills of \$114,946.87. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

#### Visitor Comments:

Jeremy Painter, a resident of the Bradford school district, asked the Board to consider waiving the tuition for foreign exchange students residing with Bradford residents to attend Stark County CUSD 100. His family has hosted foreign exchange students for six years and the exchange program will no longer pay tuition.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Education**: Mrs. Orwig reported the committee had met on December 10 and discussed Title I expenditures, possible course changes for FY17, ELL plans, ACT testing site findings, recess temperature findings and testing options for FY17. The committee recommended the following: posting a full-time ESL positon because of the number of students currently enrolled; changing the recess temperatures listed in

the Elementary handbook from a wind chill of less than 32 degrees to 20 degree wind chill; recommended changing K-8 testing from AIMS Web to STAR for FY17.

**Foundation:** Mr. West reported on the meeting held December 1<sup>st</sup>. They discussed issues related to the Margaret Poe funds, authorized the treasurer to pay bills when due since the group only meets four times a year, approved teacher grants, and authorized the Scholarship Committee to contact donors and set scholarship numbers and amounts for the spring.

**Henry-Stark Special Ed District:** Mrs. Rumbold reported the Governing Board approved the recommendations of the Executive Board.

#### **Administrative Reports:**

Mrs. Hawkey presented a report on the 2015 PARCC Assessment.

Mrs. Bibb reported she attended the second half of the NGSS workshop at the ROE along with Jamie D'Amico and Jackie Colgan and they presented information at the December faculty meeting and will lead teachers in work on developing curriculum at the January institute. The Elementary Christmas program received a lot of positive feedback regarding the program facilities, and having it on one night. Third grade organized a food drive for the Stark County Food Pantry and collected several boxes of canned goods.

Mr. Lamb reported staff will continue the professional development focus on writing at the January 4 institute. Students will utilize the on-line course selection for 2016-2017 in January; parents and students will be able to review a list of appropriate classes prior to finalizing their requests. The Bradford 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be visiting the High School on January 20<sup>th</sup> and he will meet with parents on February 8<sup>th</sup> along with Mrs. McGrath to provide information in preparation of the high school choice selection March 1<sup>st</sup>. After a field trip to Eagle Enterprises in Galva to view their recycling process, Mrs. Wilkinson's Environmental Science class developed an in-school recycling program to manage paper and plastic recycling to begin in January. Plans are being made to make the old concession stand window in the High School gym foyer into a trophy case.

Mr. Klooster reported that the "Academics is Priority #1 Committee" is working on plans for a State of the District Dinner to be held March 5<sup>th</sup> at the WyHi. He plans to ask the Teacher Association to begin collective bargaining in January. The ad hoc committee is looking at dates in February as options for the dedication of the Glenn Buchert Gymnasium. He reported on the boiler project that there is a design issue with the boiler breeching, some duct work was not installed as designed and both the manufacturer and engineer are concerned how it may impact the operation when both boilers need to run at the same time. He will be meeting with the Teacher Association in January regarding the 2016-2017 calendar and asked the Board if they had any parameters they would like addressed during the meeting. He thanked the Toulon TIF District for reimbursing the district over \$16,000 in costs relating to the road construction and drain replacement at the high school. He reported the budget expenditures to date.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to adopt the levy, including bonds and interest, of \$5,416,616 and to direct the Superintendent to file the necessary paperwork with the County Clerks. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Steward, to adopt the resolution to issue \$2,068,100 in General Obligation Refunding School Bonds, Series 2016A, and \$835,900 Taxable General Obligation Refunding School Bonds, Series 2016B, to refund certain outstanding obligations of the District, provide for the levy of taxes to pay the bonds, and authorize the sale of the bonds to the purchasers thereof. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the execution of an escrow agreement in connection with the District's issue of \$2,068,100 General Obligation Refunding School Bonds, Series 2016A and \$835,900 Taxable General Obligation Refunding School Bonds, Series 2016B. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. Steward, to amend the Elementary Handbook language so that students will be permitted to take part in outdoor recess when the wind chill is 20 degrees or higher. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster reported the ceritificate of insurance provided by Chuck Hulke and the Alumni Football USA meets the standards of liability recommended by our insurance agent. Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Steward, to accept the proposal presented by Corey McGinn to permit an alumni football game next summer at the football field in Wyoming. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster informed the Board that Bradford superintendent, Dr. Ellen Lotspeich, had replied to him about the Bradford and Stark County Boards meeting to discuss the future of the two districts. She suggested a date of January 26, but because two of our board members would not be available that date it was requested Mr. Klooster ask if it would be possible to meet a different date. If no other date is available, the board agreed to meet with Bradford on the 26th. A special Board meeting is needed for early January (possibly January 11) for a student discipline issue and "discussion related to upcoming meeting with Bradford CUSD #1 Board of Education" will be added to that agenda.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to approve the request to permit foreign exchange students from Bradford CUSD #1 residents to attend Stark County High School tuition free if they meet the policy and necessary statutory guidelines described in the school code. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster reported the roof on the gym foyer at the High School is in need of extensive repair or replacement. He had contacted Carl Ryan and he could spray patch the seams now and do a full job this spring when the temperatures are more consistent. Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve Ryan Sandblasting to spray the roof for approximately \$6,000. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve the employment of security through the local law enforcement agency during the Christmas break when custodians are not on duty. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the Education Committee recommendation to use STAR testing for FY17. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. Steward, to retroactively employ Al Curry as Jr. High boys' basketball coach for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to approve the posting for an ESL teacher position for the spring semester. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West to accept the resignation of Angela Olson as 2<sup>nd</sup> semester class sponsor, effective immediately. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to employ Rebecca Potenberg as 2<sup>nd</sup> semester class sponsor. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster reported Lenova has end-of-year price reduction on chrome books at a cost of \$118.09 each. Licenses and cases would be purchased separately. Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the purchase of 220 Lenova chrome books now, with plans for distribution next fall. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster reported there are a number of items in the old shed that was recently donated to the district and because the District has no use of the items, he asked for permission to post the items for sale to the highest bidder. Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to authorize Mr. Klooster to post the items for sale in the local paper and accept bids, with sale going to the highest bidder or bidders, with items being sold for cash, as is, and the buyer is responsible for removal of the item(s). Motion was approved by a 7-0 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. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

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

#### Special Meeting - January 11, 2016

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in special session on Monday, January 11, 2016 in the Stark County CUSD 100 District Office. Members present were Robert Groter, Matthew Nagode, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, and Bruce West. Also present was Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; and William Lamb, Jr. High/High School Principal; and Bradford CUSD #1 Principal, Chad Gripp. (Ann Orwig and David Steward were absent.)

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Rewerts, at 6:04 p.m.

There were not visitor comments.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. West to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to student discipline at 6:05 p.m. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to reconvene from Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. and to hold the minutes, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Nagode, seconded by Mr. West to expel Student 4B1 from Stark County CUSD #100 schools through December 31, 2016. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Nagode, seconded by Mr. Groter, to hold to hold Student 4B1's expulsion in abeyance pending the student's and parents' agreement to abide by a contract created by the Board. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

The Board members discussed issues they wished to address with Bradford's School Board on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January. At 6:00 p.m. on January 19<sup>th</sup>, the Stark County CUSD #100 Board will meet with the Bradford CUSD #1 Board in joint session to talk about the future of the two districts and opportunities for continued or enhanced cooperation.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. West to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Brian Rewerts, President

Elizabeth Rumbold, Secretary

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### Special Meeting – January 19, 2016

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in special combined board meeting with Bradford Community Unit School District #1 on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at Bradford CUSD #1. Members present were Robert Groter, Matthew Nagode, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, David Steward and Bruce West. Also present was Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; Bradford CUSD #1 Board of Education members Jan Sers, Tanya Walker, Cory Fisher, Jerry Johnston, Wendell Stahl and John Murphy; and Dr. Ellin Lotspeich, Bradford CUSD #1 Superintendent. (Bradford CUSD #1 board member, Marjie Loudenburg, was absent.)

The joint meeting was called to order by Bradford CUSD #1 President, Mrs. Walker, at 6:00 p.m.

Discussion of High School Options

Comments from the Public

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn at 6:26~p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Brian Rewerts, President

Elizabeth Rumbold, Secretary