

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

**Regular Meeting – May 15, 2017**

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 15, 2017 at the Stark County Elementary School. Members present were Robert Groter, Matthew Nagode, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, and Bruce West. Also present were Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; Jenna Bibb, Elementary Principal; John Leezer, Leezer Agency; Tom Leahy, IASB; Pat Keane, teacher representative; citizens and students of the district; and members of the press. Board member, David Steward, and William Lamb, Jr. High/High School Principal were absent.

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

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 April 24, 2017 minutes;
- Approval of the April Jr. High Activity Fund, High School Activity Fund, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the April LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$645.74, Stark County CUSD 100 \$158,735.42, BC/BS of Illinois \$54,806.65, Guardian \$389.98, Guardian \$3,422.74, Guardian \$530.33, Guardian \$403.67, Michelle Loeffler \$300.00, State Disbursement Unit \$78.00, Wyoming Motors, Inc \$17,408.00, Stark County Sheriff's Office \$312.50, Stark County CUSD 100 \$150,254.16, Frontier \$1,079.52, O'Reilly Automotive \$91.97, Waste Management \$383.24, Michelle Loeffler \$300.00, Vicki Moutoux \$615.00, VISA \$203.60, VISA \$172.50, VISA \$2,602.06, German-Bliss Equipment \$57.11, IESA \$690.00, Imprest Fund \$3,523.98.

Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the May bills of \$100,319.24. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Visitor comments: Stacey Unhold addressed the Board encouraging a favorable vote for Jr. High baseball/softball. Pat Keane also addressed the Board in favor of a baseball/softball program.

IASB representative, Tom Leahy, presented information and a proposal regarding services the IASB provides for a superintendent search.

John Leezer, Leezer Agency, presented the property/casualty/workman's compensation proposal for FY18.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mr. Lamb's written report was provided.

Mrs. Bibb reported plans are being made for summer school. Several classes have gone on field trips this month. The Academic Awards assembly will be held May 25<sup>th</sup>. She thanked the Parent Club for their treats during Teacher Appreciation Week and providing the Mad Science Assembly on May 9th.

Mr. Klooster reported registration packets for the 2017-2018 school year were sent home with students on May 4<sup>th</sup>. He reported that Wyoming Mayor Pat Maher, Denny Rewerts, and the city's TIF counsel have agreed to meet with a committee from the school board on May 18 to continue discussions related to TIF 2. He provided budget comparison data and stated that although the State has made the State Aid payments to date, we do not anticipate receiving special education, vocational, Pre-K, transportation, and lunch/breakfast reimbursements this fiscal year. Reports from the Superintendent's Committees were provided as follows:

**Athletic Facilities Fundraising Committee:** Mr. Nagode reported donations were received from the Toulon Lions' Club, SCES Parents' Club, JFL and two private donations bring pledge donations to about \$165,000. The new scoreboard has been ordered and is scheduled to be delivered late June. The committee is recommending the donation of the old, portable bleachers to the Stark County Junior Fair. The committee is planning a raffle for an off-road vehicle.

**Academics is Priority Number One:** Mrs. Orwig reported they met in May and did more planning for the Alumni Hall of Fame and looked at the community responses from the State of the District Dinner.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Henry-Stark Special Education:** Mr. Klooster reported the Executive Board Committee had met the previous Thursday. He reported on employee non-renewal of contract, resignations and employment of personnel, approval of adjusted FY billings, approval of the final school calendar and a 30-day layover of an amended budget.

**Finance Committee:** Mr. West reported the committee had met prior to the meeting to discuss the FY17 amended budget and the property/casualty and workers' compensation insurance rates for FY18. Mr. Klooster provided the rationale for the FY17 amended budget recommendations.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to hold the FY18 Board Retreat for Monday, July 17, 2017, 8:00 – 12:00, and hold the regular July board meeting following the Retreat at 1:00. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the final school calendar for 2016-2017. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the tentative amended FY17 budget and to place it on display for final adoption at the June 19, 2017 meeting. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Rewerts, seconded by Mr. West, to approve a Jr. High baseball/softball program for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion passed by a 4-2 vote;

Mr. Rewerts, Mr. Nagode, Mrs. Rumbold, Mr. West, aye; Mrs. Orwig, Mr. Groter, nay.

Mr. Klooster provided information from a local vendor regarding the removal of trees and shed from the donated property known as the “McCurdy Property” and graveling the area. He recommended no action at this time. It was decided to discuss further at the Board Retreat.

Mr. Klooster reported two quotes had been received for the removal of the tree at the Jr. High. Neither quote included the use of a crane to remove the upper branches of the tree. (Falling the tree would most likely damage the blacktop.) Mr. Klooster was directed to clarify the bid options and return with more information at the next meeting.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the second reading of the FY18 student/parent handbooks. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

The consensus of the Board was to not attend the Triple I Conference in November in order to save costs.

Mr. Groter recommended the committee assignments remain the same, and final approval of committee assignments at the June meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the renewal of FY18 Property/Casualty and Worker Compensation insurance from Leezer Agency and the Unland Companies for \$123,902. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the additional cyber liability insurance to the policy for a cost of \$2,757. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to let bids for milk, bread, trash removal, and publication of the Rebel Reporter for 2017-2018 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to approve the Title I plan as presented with the understanding that some changes may need to be made to the plan prior to final approval from the state. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Nagode, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to contract with the Illinois Association of School Boards to help with the search for a new superintendent at a cost of \$6,900. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Rewerts, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to donate the old portable football bleachers to the Stark County Junior Fair. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve membership in the Western Area Food Cooperative for FY18 at a cost of \$270. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Items for the next meeting: Approval of the Amended FY17 Budget, Adopt Prevailing Wage Resolution, Award Bread, Milk, Trash Removal and publication of Rebel Reporter bids, Possible Re-Employment of coaches/sponsors, Employment of Staff, Possible Temporary Loan from Fund 2 to Fund 6, Jr. High tree removal decision, other.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of employees, and collective bargaining at 7:45 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 8:39 p.m. and to hold the 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 April 24, 2017, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to continue to hold the Executive Session minutes of October 17, 2016, November 21, 2016, January 23, 2017, February 27, 2017, March 20, 2017, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to accept the resignation of Laurie Shipp as Jr. High Science teacher, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to accept the letter of retirement from Connie Stoner, effective June 2020. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to accept the resignations of Bob Bohm and Tim Appleton as Jr. High Girls' Basketball coaches, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to approve the new two-year collective bargaining agreement with the Stark County Teachers' Association beginning with the 2017-2018 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mrs. Rumbold read the following joint press statement from the Board and the Stark County Teachers' Association:

“The Board and the Teachers Association are happy to announce that they have reached agreement on a contract. The new, two-year contract provides for a \$560 increase to the teacher base salary in FY18, and a \$600 increase to the base salary in FY19. The contract includes no additional monies for health insurance and an increase to the extracurricular salary schedule base of 2% for each of the next two years. The contract agreement also includes language items that address teacher sick and professional leave, and extra-duty pay. The

Board and the Association's Negotiation's Team feel that the new contract is fair, reasonable, and helps the District to maintain fiscal security moving forward."

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Robert Groter  
President

Elizabeth Rumbold  
Secretary

Approved: June 19, 2017