

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

Regular Meeting – March 15, 2021

The Stark Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 15, 2021 at the Stark County Elementary School. Members present were Emily Holman, Matthew Nagode, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, David Steward, and Bruce West. Also present were Brett Elliott, Superintendent; Jenna Bibb, Elementary Principal; Jeff Utsinger, Jr.High/High School Principal; Dale Heinold, District IT; Scott Burge and Jenny Joo, Farnsworth; Caleb Wyss, CORE; John Versetti, Bernardi Securities; staff and citizens of the district, and a member of the press.

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 Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve the consent calendar. Items approved under the consent calendar were:

- Approval of the February 20, 2021 and February 22, 2021 minutes
- Approval of the February Activity Funds, Self-Insurance, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's reports;
- Approval of the February LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$297.13, Stark County CUSD 100 \$134,358.82, Guardian \$365.19, Guardian \$2,895.40, Guardian \$550.78, Guardian \$517.87, Self-Insurance Fund \$100,000.00, Stark County CUSD #100 \$143,580.96, Jennifer Nutzhorn \$240.00, VISA \$71.18, VISA \$59.88, VISA \$94.89, Illinois Department of Employment Security \$780.00, Imprest Fund \$4,422.30.

Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the March bills of \$114,975.84. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

There were no public comments or questions.

"Pride and Excellence" Recognition was given to: Jason Musselman volunteering to assist in broadcasting home games via Facebook live feed and announcing pay-by-play action of the games and Scott Paxson in recognition of his 400th Career Victory on February 27, 2021.

Committee Reports:

Education – Mrs. Orwig reported the committee had met on March 10th to discuss bullying policy, handbook revisions, master schedule, and early release Wednesdays.

Administrative Reports:

Mrs. Bibb reported on the status of the end of year goals in math and phonics, vocabulary and word etymology. Building activities include Family Literacy Night

held March 11th, Pre-School Screenings March 22nd and 23rd for about twenty children, and fifth grade will be working collaboratively working with WIU education students on a Community Involvement project.

Mr. Utsinger reported the 8th grade Bradford students toured Stark County last month and fifteen students have chosen to attend Stark County next year. In partnership with One Eleven Coffee, the Foods class had a grilled cheese competition and the winning recipe will be a featured menu option at One Eleven Coffee in the future. Band and chorus students participated in a virtual solo/ensemble contest and fifteen entries received a 1st place rating. Two students have been selected to participate in the Bradley honor choir and one student was selected for All-State. Upcoming events include PSAT, musical and prom.

Mr. Elliott reported we celebrate the completion of the 3rd quarter and being able to be in school learning. The football guidelines have been released. The 6-12 master schedule will provide more elective opportunities. Stark Council for Continuous Improvement met in February and plan to have a video made promoting all of the County. Plans are being made to host a Senior Financial Aid/Scholarship Assembly plus FAFSA Parent Night. Dale Heinold is working on E-rate with an approaching deadline of March 25. He gave an update on the renovation plans. He reported that a 2-year contract was approved for Greg Wertheim, Special Ed Director, at the Henry-Stark Special Education District meeting. Prom is in the planning stages with all safety guidelines being followed. He provided the following update on budgeted expenditures through February:

Fund	2020-21	20-21 Expended	2019-2020	19-20 Expended	18-19	18-19 Expended	17-18	17-18 Expended
Fiscal Year	66.7%		66.7%		66.7%		66.7%	
Ed	54%	\$4,116,023	62.97%	\$4,073,836	62.65%	\$3,985,849	64.39%	\$4,086,999
Building	42.11%	\$468,922	60.88%	\$829,045	62.88%	\$455,199	56.94%	\$436,887
Trans	61.30%	\$293,831	69.37%	\$335,899	62.85%	\$317,178	63.56%	\$315,715
IMRF/SS	58.28%	\$136,409	57.87%	\$131,278	64.25%	\$138,987	63.97%	\$149,975
Tort	71.90%	\$247,821	77.38%	\$234,804	75.80%	\$177,607	82.96%	\$195,209

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to approve the adoption of PRESS Board Policy 7.345. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Elliott informed the Board that IASA has advised not to commit to the new TRS Supplemental Savings Plan until additional information is received. No action was taken.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve the 3-year bus lease agreement with Midwest Bus Sales for two 2022 65-passenger Chevy/Thomas

buses for an annual cost of \$15,035.51 and one 2020 12+1 wheelchair Chevy/Thomas bus for an annual cost of \$15,086.16. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Dale Heinold presented information regarding internet for the Athletic Complex, football field and bus garage. He has been working with Mindy at the State and all buildings qualify for E-rate. Hardware is CEPA compliant. Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the E-rates as presented. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Heinold also presented information regarding wiring and cabling under E-rate. He has a bid \$59,000 for equipment and labor, E-rate would reimburse \$41,000. Due to the renovation plans, we may need to request an extension.

Motion was made by Mr. Rewerts, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with black Hawk College for Dual Credit Courses for FY22. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Scott Burge and Jenny Joo, Farnsworth; Caleb Wyss, CORE; John Versetti, Bernardi Securities gave an update on the planning calendar, scope of work and updated budget for the Toulon renovation project. Other items: air conditioning at the Jr. High will be done in-house and Moreland is working on asbestos abatement bids.

The public hearing on \$15,000,000 issuance of funding bonds was held. Mrs. Orwig read the following statement: *“The Bonds are being issued to pay the debt certificates issued in early March for the renovation project on the Toulon Campus.”*

“We open the floor for any comments from the Board concerning the Bonds”. No comments.

“We open the floor for any written testimony concerning the Bonds”. No written testimony.

“We open the floor for any oral testimony or public comments concerning the Bonds.” No oral testimony or public comments.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mr. West, to close the hearing at 7:23 p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mrs. Orwig read the following resolution: *“Resolution setting forth and describing in detail claims heretofore authorized and allowed for proper school purposes which are presently outstanding and unpaid, declaring the intention to issue \$15,000,000 bonds for the purpose of paying claims against the School District and directing that notice of such intention be published as provided by law.”* Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve the bonds resolution as presented. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Elliott provided a student handbook update. There will be a PreK – 5th grade and a 6th – 12th grade handbook with a goal of using the student handbook as a procedure guide for students and parents and moving away from a policy document. All Board policy will remain in place and will be available on the district website. The District Leadership Team will continue to align procedures, determine omissions and place needed items not in the handbook to an alternative location such as our website.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Ms. Holman, to approve the mowing contract with M & M Lawn Service for mowing and maintenance of the grounds at the football field in Wyoming between April 1, 2021 through November 1, 2021, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Steward, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the contract for \$1,500.00 with Shirley Striping to stripe the football field for the Spring 2021 football season. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Steward, to post and hire eight (8) student workers (7 custodial and 1 tech support) for the summer of 2021. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Discussed the seating of the new Board after the April 6th elections. Depending on when the election results are certified by the County Clerks, there may need to be a special meeting if results are not received prior to the regular April 19th meeting.

Items for the next meeting: possible approval of IHSA/IESA Annual Contract Renewal, School Board Election Updates, Master Schedule Presentation, E-Rates for Renovation, Honor Scholastic Bowl Team.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing employee compensation, performance, resignations, salaries and hiring at 7:32 p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. and to hold the Executive Session Minutes, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve the February 20, 2021 and February 22, 2021 Executive Session Minutes, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the proposed non-certified pay increases for FY22 as presented. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Ms. Holman, to change the title from “Dean of Students” for the Junior/Senior High to “Assistant Principal of Stark County Junior/Senior High for FY22. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to extend the contract of Anne Snyder, Assistant Principal, through FY24 and add 10 working days at a pro-rated increase beginning the FY22 school year. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to approve a 3% salary increase for building administrators, Jenna Bibb and Anne Snyder for FY22. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to approve a salary increase of 3% for Dale Heinold, Technology Director, for FY22. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Nagode, to hire Allison Chasteen as an elementary teacher for FY22. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to hire Victoria Harmon as the Musical Art Director, effective immediately. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Steward, to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

President

Secretary

Approved: April 19, 2021