

STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library Meeting Room

Prepared by Carol A. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order/Roll Call

President Biroschik called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Mrs. Baker, Mr. Biroschik, Mr. Hoffmeyer, Mr. Mast, Mr. Tutoky, Mr. Wargo and Dr. Woeltje

Administration present: Dr. Boer, Interim Superintendent, Mrs. Mascal, Principal, Mr. McGurk, Assistant Principal, and Mrs. Johnston, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

Board Salutes

Dr. Boer thanked the Board of Education for the opportunity to serve as the District's Interim Superintendent for the second semester of the 2021-22 school year.

Dr. Boer recognized Mrs. Mascal, Principal, Mrs. Johnston, Administrative Assistant, and Mr. Dennis, Chief Maintenance Supervisor, as well as many STHS groups, including the Admin Team, Teachers, Custodians, etc. for all their help and assistance throughout this process.

Dr. Boer spoke of the recent passing of past STHS Administrator, Dave Holmes, stating Dave was an incredible man and role model for the students. Mr. Biroschik also added that Dave was a very special part of the District.

Mr. Biroschik reported the 'Think Oink' sows, Pua and Hei Hei, are here in the Ag Department and encouraged all to stop by to see and support the program and sows.

Students of the Month Recognition

Mrs. Mascal, Principal, recognized the January, 2022, "Students of the Month" and provided each with a certificate.

Public Comment

Adam Jakupcak, STHS student and bowling team athlete, addressed the Board regarding the decision to halt all sporting events during the school's recent Adaptive Pause, remote learning period, including the bowling regional event. Mr. Jakupcak expressed the athletes work hard over the years, stating it's not a good feeling knowing the team doesn't have a chance at the 'payoff', while understanding that decisions have to be made and it is an unfortunate situation. Mr. Jakupcak asked the Board to take special events into consideration while making future decisions of this kind. Dr. Boer and the Board thanked Mr. Jakupcak and expressed appreciation for his comments while explaining it was very unfortunate and a hard decision to cancel all events, but necessary, in an effort to keep the students safe as we face these difficult COVID times.

Approval of Board Minutes

MOTION by Mast, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to approve the following items listed under "Approval of Minutes" on the January 18, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- A. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, December 14, 2021
- B. Approve the Destruction of All Closed Session Recordings Prior to January, 2020

Approval of Financial Reports

MOTION by Woeltje seconded by Baker, to approve the following items listed under "Financial Reports" on the Tuesday, January 18, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- A. Approve the December, 2021, Treasurer's Report and Budgetary Report
- B. Approve the January, 2022, Bills

Administrative Reports

Superintendent –

- ESSER III Federal Grant – Dr. Boer and the Board reviewed the tentative budget sheet reflecting the allocation of the funds. Dr. Boer informed the Board that 20% of the funds will be allocated to student learning loss as a result of COVID factors. Dr. Boer and the Board also discussed possible plans for the proposed \$545,312.00 allocated to Vocational Building upgrades/rehab.
- Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant – Recently the District has been awarded the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant for the amount of \$669,676.00 as previously applied for. STHS will be the Administrative School District for the program. Dr. Boer and the Board reviewed the breakdown of how the grant funds will be allocated. The Board requested additional details related to the administration of the grant and process. Dr. Boer will invite Dr. Seaton, prior STHS Superintendent, to the February, 2022, Board of Education meeting to assist with answering questions related to the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant and process.
- Track Resurfacing Bids – Dr. Boer informed the Board that the bid process for the Track Resurfacing project was completed on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. Two bids were received for completion of the project. The low qualified bidder for the project is HSC Pavement Maintenance for the amount of \$35,752.00. Dr. Boer recommended the Board approve HSC Pavement Maintenance to complete the Track Resurfacing project for the amount of \$35,752.00.
- COVID-19 – Transition Committee Report – The COVID Transition committee met on Thursday, January 13, 2022. Mr. Biroschik, Board member and Transition Committee member, and Dr. Boer reported on the committee's discussions. The Return to Learn Plan has also been modified and updated to reflect 5 days (decreased from 10 days) of COVID related isolation/quarantine as approved by the CDC as well as other minor updates. As requested by Dr. Boer, Mrs. Mascall clarified the definition of eLearning vs. Remote Learning stating that an eLearning Day is typically an emergency day, during which most of the staff and all students stay home to learn as the result of a snow day, flood, etc. A Remote Learning day is typically a longer, designated period of time in which students stay home to learn and all staff report to the building, as a result of high COVID cases, etc. Both eLearning Days and Remote Days qualify as actual school days and do not need to be made up at the end of the school year.
- Building & Grounds Committee Report – Dr. Boer updated the Board regarding the JWA wall repair/replacement. Zavada Property Management will complete the project for approximately \$2,100,00. The Building and Grounds committee met on January 6, 2022. The committee discussed establishing lights and sound technicians, equipment training for the technicians and an hourly rate of \$55.00 for outside groups to utilize the service. The intent is to train multiple STHS staff to operate the light and sound equipment. The original installation of the equipment, New ARA Technologies, will provide the training for a fee of \$960.00 per 8 hrs. Dr. Boer recommended the Board approve the creation of the lights and sound technician positions.
- Facility Use Agreement Update – Dr. Boer recommended the Facility Use Agreement be updated to reflect the \$55.00 per hour outside group charge for any light and sound technician.
- Test-To-Stay Program – Dr. Boer reviewed the Test-To-Stay program proposal as submitted by Mr. Doty, Assistant Principal. If implemented, the program would be used to test students and staff who are identified as close contacts, unvaccinated and asymptomatic, in an effort to keep the students/staff at school, requiring a negative test result. The program operation is dependent on supply availability. Dr. Boer recommended the Board approve the creation of the Test-To-Stay Supervisor program positions.
- Job Description – Test-To-Stay Supervisor – First Reading - The Board conducted a first reading of the Job Description as drafted. The Job Description will be presented for a second reading and possible approval at the February 15, 2022, Board of Education meeting.
- Job Description – Auditorium Light & Sound Technician – First Reading - The Board conducted a first reading of the Job Description as drafted. The Job Description will be presented for a second reading and possible approval at the February 15, 2022, Board of Education meeting.
- Job Description – After Hours Door Monitor – Second Reading - The Board conducted a second reading of the Job Description as drafted. The Board requested modifications to the Job Description. Mr. Biroschik will assist Dr. Boer with the modifications. Approval of the Job Description was tabled. The Job Description may be presented for a third reading and possible approval at the February 15, 2022, Board of Education meeting.
- IASB/PRESS Board Policy Updates #108 – Second Reading – The Board conducted a second reading of the proposed Board Policy updates for consideration of approval.

Principal –

- 2021-22 Early Graduates - The Board reviewed the list of STHS Students requesting to graduate after the first semester of the 2021-22 school year.
- 2021-22 2nd Semester School Improvement Schedule – Mrs. Mascall submitted and reviewed the 2nd Semester School Improvement Schedule with the Board.
- Overnight Extended Student Trip – Streatorette Competition, Naperville, IL ATF – The Overnight Extended Student Trip Application was previously submitted for the Board’s review, however, this trip was recently cancelled.
- Overnight Extended Student Trip – Streatorette Competition, Springfield, IL - Mrs. Mascall, Principal, submitted the Overnight Extended Student Trip Application for the Board’s review and recommended Board approval.

Dean/Athletic Director–

- Facility Use Fee Waiver Requests – Mr. Bedeker submitted the following facility use fee waiver requests and recommended Board approval: Streator Brickyard Dawgs, Streator Diamond Dawgs and Streator Stingers.

Old Business

MOTION to approve the Job Description for the After Hours Door Monitor. This motion was **TABLED**.

New Business

MOTION by Hoffmeyer, seconded by Tutoky, to approve the following items listed under “New Business”, on the Tuesday, January 18, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried**.

- Approve the Track Resurfacing Bid from HSC Pavement Maintenance for the Amount of \$35,752.00
- Approve the Creation of the Auditorium Light & Sound Technician, Part-Time Positions
- Approve the Facility Use Agreement as Updated to Include the Light & Sound Technician Fees
- Approve the Creation of the Test-To-Stay Temporary, Part-Time Positions
- Approve the 2021-22 Early Graduates
- Approve the Overnight Extended Student Trip for Streatorettes Competition in Springfield, IL
- Approve the Facility Use Fee Waiver Requests

Closed Session

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Baker, to go into Closed Session as per **5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)** for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and as per **5ILCS 120/2(c)(2)** for the collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; and as per **5ILCS 120/2(c)(11)** for the litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting; and as per **5ILCS 120/2(c)(21)** for the discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. TIME: 7:43 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried**.

MOTION by Mast, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to return to Regular Session. TIME: 9:35 P.M. Ayes (6 – Mr. Tutoky did not return to Regular Session) Nays (0) **Motion carried**.

Old Business (Cont.)

MOTION by Mast, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to approve the IASB/PRESS Board Policy Updates #108. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried**.

Motions From Closed Session

MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by Mast, to approve the Employee Contract between the Board of Education and Mr. Scott Cameron for the contract effective July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2025, to set the annual salary rate of Mr. Scott Cameron, Superintendent, at \$156,043.94 for the 2022-2023 school term. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried**.

MOTION by Hoffmeyer, seconded by Mast, to approve the 2020-2025 Streator Township High School Educational Support Personnel Contract MOU related to the COVID Test-To-Stay Supervisory position. Ayes (5) Nays (1-Wargo) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Mast, seconded by Baker, to approve the following items listed under "Personnel", on the January 18, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda. All coaching positions will be contingent upon the Sports Season occurring and/or the coach submitting a plan of activities if the season is cancelled entirely. All new hires will be contingent on Background Check results. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Retirement: Ms. Debra Bain – Jack Wilson Academy Alternative Teacher
- Resignations: Ms. Tracey Busch – Technology Coordinator
Mr. Rory Bedeker – Athletic Director
- Hires: Mr. Ray Yanek – 2022-23 English/World Language Department Chair

MOTION by Mast, seconded by Biroschik, to Approve the "Re-Hiring" of the following for the 2022-23 school year contingent upon the Sports Season occurring and/or the coach submitting a plan of activities if the season is cancelled entirely. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Cross Country Head Coach – Brad Brittin
- Cross Country Asst. Coach – Doug Harris
- Football Asst. Coaches – Chuck Leonard, Scott Luckey, Ken Fredrickson
- Football Asst. Coach/Equip. Managers – Jason Schultz
- Golf Head Coach – Dustin Masley
- Golf Asst. Coach – Kirk Melody
- Boys Soccer Head Coach – JT Huey
- Boys Soccer Asst. Coach – Ethan Koncor
- Girls Tennis Head Coach – Kaye Tallier
- Girls Tennis Asst. Coach – John Sandoval
- Girls Tennis Volunteer – Justin Ainsley
- Volleyball Head Coach – Julie Gabehart
- Volleyball Asst. Coaches – Steven Lopez, Keri Donahue

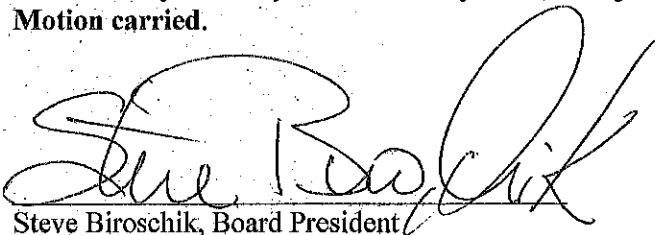
MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by Woeltje, to approve to rehire Mr. Kyle Tutt as 2022-23 Head Football Coach. Ayes (5) Nays (1-Biroschik) **Motion carried.**

President's Prerogative

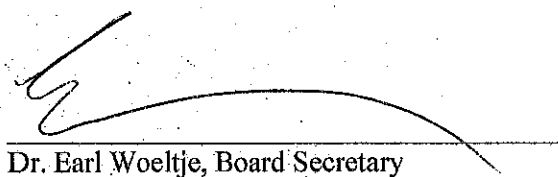
Dr. Woeltje, Board member and IASB Represent

Motion for Adjournment

MOTION by Hoffmeyer, seconded by Mast, to adjourn from the regular meeting. TIME: 9:41 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Steve Biroschik, Board President



Dr. Earl Woeltje, Board Secretary