

STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library Meeting Room

Prepared by Carol A. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order/Roll Call

President Woeltje called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Mr. Biroshchik, Mr. Hoffmeyer, Mr. Mast, Mr. McFadden, Mr. Parr, Mr. Tutoky, and Dr. Woeltje

Administration present: Dr. Seaton, Superintendent, Mrs. Mascall, Principal, and Mrs. Johnston, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

Board Salutes

Dr. Seaton commended Arbor Management and the food service personnel for their extra efforts in providing daily breakfast and lunches during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr. Seaton thanked the newly formed committees, COVID-19 Transition Team, Finance Committee, and Building and Grounds Committee, for the various successes thus far as a result of the committee members' input and time. The committees consist of various Board members, administration and staff.

Dr. Seaton recognized and thanked the LaSalle County Health Department for their continued guidance in keeping the staff and students safe in the building during this COVID-19 pandemic, including extensive guidance in planning protocol for various upcoming events.

Dr. Seaton commended and thanked Mrs. Cari Bedeker, OSF RN, for her organization and scheduling of administering the COVID-19 vaccine for the STHS staff.

Introduce Students of the Month

Mrs. Mascall, Principal, introduced the Students of the Month and presented each with a certificate.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Board Minutes

MOTION by Parr, seconded by McFadden, to approve the following items listed under "Approval of Minutes" on the, March 16, 2021, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- A. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, February 16, 2021
- B. Approve the Destruction of All Closed Session Recordings Prior to March, 2019

Approval of Financial Reports

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Mast, to approve the following items listed under "Financial Reports" on the Tuesday, March 16, 2021, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the February, 2021 Treasurer's Report and Budgetary Report
- Approve the March, 2021, Bills

Committee Reports

- Building & Grounds Committee – Dr. Seaton and the Board reviewed the Building & Grounds Committee's meeting report. Board members and Building & Grounds committee members, Tutoky and Hoffmeyer, discussed the topics and recommendations made during the committee meeting, including but not limited to, the Fiber Project for the Field House and Press Box in the amount of \$82,877.00 and the purchase and installation of a new Batting Cage in the amount of \$21,809.00. Also discussed were summer, 2021 HLS Projects, repair/replacement of roof sections, tuck-pointing, bleacher replacements, etc.
- COVID-19 Transition Team – Dr. Seaton and the Board reviewed the COVID-19 Transition Team meeting report. Board members and Transition Team members, Hoffmeyer and Biroshchik, discussed the topics and recommendations made during the committee meeting, including but not limited to, Return to Learn Wednesdays, STHS event spectators, Prom, Graduation, etc.

- Finance Committee – Dr. Seaton and the Board reviewed the Finance Committee’s meeting report. Dr. Seaton and Board member/Finance Committee members, Biroshchik and McFadden, discussed the topics and recommendations made during the committee meeting, including but not limited to, the purchase and installation of the Fiber Service to the Field House and Press Box and Batting Cage as previously discussed in the Building & Grounds committee notes. Also discussed and reviewed were the itemized expenses included in the Esser II Grant totaling \$1,010,336.00.

Administrative Reports

Superintendent –

- Building & Grounds/Finance Committee Recommendations - Dr. Seaton recommended the Board approve the Finance Committee recommendations as discussed previously this meeting, including the Fiber Project for the Field House and Press Box for the amount of \$82,822.00 and the purchase and installation of the Batting Cage for the amount of \$21,809.00.
- April, 2021 Board of Education Meeting and Board Reorganization Date – Dr. Seaton recommended the Board change the Board meeting date from April 20, 2021, to April 27, 2021, to include the Board Reorganization process.
- Administration and Technology Quarterly Reports - Administration and the Technology Director submitted quarterly reports for the Board’s review. The reports reflect activities completed throughout the third quarter of the 2020-21 school year.
- 2021 Summer School Program and Fees – Dr. Seaton submitted the Summer Credit Recovery Program and Summer Driver’s Education proposals to the Board for approval. The Summer Credit Recovery Program will be free to all students who finish the courses they are assigned. Students not completing their courses, will be charged a \$130 fee for the entire three-week session. The Summer Driver’s Education class will be conducted completely online with a fee of \$200 for in-district students and \$300 for out-of-district students (no free or reduced pricing). Dr. Seaton recommended the Board approve the Summer, 2021 programs.
- Surplus – Dr. Seaton submitted the list of proposed surplus items, including the following: T-3000 Pop Rite Popcorn machine, Vestil Model 4848DD work platform forklift attachment and a wire mesh tool storage cage unassembled. The Board discussed and suggested donating the T-3000 Pop Rite Popcorn machine to the Streator Youth Baseball Program. Dr. Seaton requested authorization to donate, sell, or dispose the items within State regulations.
- FOIA Request - Per School Board Policy 2:250, the STHS Board is to be notified when a FOIA request to STHS has been made. A FOIA request was received February 11, 2021, from Chicago Tribune, Jennifer Richards. A timely response to the request was provided.

Principal -

- Tenure Teachers – Mrs. Mascall, Principal, submitted the list of teachers obtaining tenure at the end of the 2020-21 school year for the Board’s review.
- New Course Proposal – AP Government – Mrs. Mascall, Principal, submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board’s review and recommended approval for the 2022-23 school year.

Old Business

None

New Business

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by McFadden, to approve the following items listed under “New Business” on the Tuesday, March 16, 2021, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the Fiber Project for the Field House and Press Box for the Amount of \$82,877.00 to be Paid with Federal ESSER Grant Program Funds
- Approve the Purchase and Installation of the Batting Cage for the Amount Not to Exceed \$21,809.00
- Approve to Change the April 20, 2021, Board Meeting Date to April 27, 2021, to Include the Board Reorganization Process
- Approve the 2021 Summer School Program and Fees
- Approve the Vestil Model 4848DD Work Platform Forklift Attachment and Wire Mesh Tool Storage Cage as Surplus and Authorize the Sale/Disposal Within State Regulations
- Approve the New Course Proposal – AP Government

MOTION by Mast, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to approve to donate the T-3000 Pop Rite Popcorn Machine to the Streator Youth Baseball Program. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Closed Session

MOTION by Parr, seconded by McFadden, 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)(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: 6:55 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

MOTION by McFadden, seconded by Tutoky, to return to Regular Session. TIME: 8:33 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Parr, to approve the Employee Contract Amendment No. 2 between the Board of Education and Amy Jo Mascal, Principal, for the contract effective July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2022, and to set the annual increase rate of Amy Jo Mascal, Principal, at 1.5% for the 2021-2022 school term and a one-time bonus of \$2.5%. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

MOTION by Parr, seconded by McFadden, to approve the Employee Contract between the Board of Education and Nick McGurk, Assistant Principal, for the contract effective July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 and to set the annual increase rate of Nick McGurk, Assistant Principal, at 1.5% for the 2021-2022 school term and a one-time bonus of 2%. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Parr, to approve the Employee Contract between the Board of Education and Beau Doty, Assistant Principal, for the contract effective July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 and to set the annual increase rate of Beau Doty, Assistant Principal, at 1.5% for the 2021-2022 school term and a one-time bonus of 2%. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

MOTION by McFadden, seconded by Parr, to approve the Employee Contract between the Board of Education and Robert Beck, Director of Technology, for the contract effective July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 and to set the annual increase rate of Robert Beck, Director of Technology, at 1.5% for the 2021-2022 school term and a one-time bonus of 2%. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

MOTION by Parr, seconded by McFadden, to approve the respective salary increases for the 2021-22 school year, for the following District Confidential Employees. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

Chief Maint. Supervisor	\$ <u>2,750.00</u>	Supt. Admin. Asst.	\$ <u>2,750.00</u>
District Bookkeeper	\$ <u>2,750.00</u>	Payroll/AP Bkpg.	\$ <u>2,750.00</u>
Maintenance	\$ <u>2,250.00</u>	Technology Coord.	\$ <u>2,250.00</u>
Comm/Alumni Coordinator	\$ <u>1,450.00</u>	Truancy Mentor	\$ <u>1,450.00</u>

Motions From Closed Session

MOTION by Parr seconded by Mast, to approve the following items Listed Under "Personnel," on the March 16, 2021, 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 also be contingent upon Background Check results. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

Resignations: Mr. Tom Walker – Assistant Baseball Coach (Split Stipend)

Hires: Mr. Omar Moreno – 2020-21 Assistant Girls Soccer Coach
Mr. Omar Moreno – 2020-21 Assistant Boys Soccer Coach

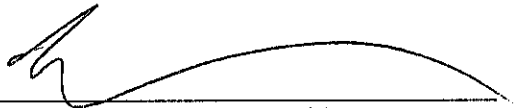
MOTION by Tutoky seconded by Mast, to approve Mr. Ethan Koncor as 2021-22 Full-Time Physical Education/Health/Driver's Education Teacher, pending completion of the Illinois requirements, receipt of Professional Educator License, and Background Check results. Ayes (7) Nays (0) Motion carried.

President's Prerogative

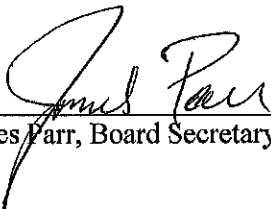
None

Motion for Adjournment

MOTION by McFadden, seconded by Biroshik, to adjourn from the Regular meeting. TIME: 8:40 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Dr. Earl Woeltje, Board President



James Farr, Board Secretary