

STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library

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. Mascal, Principal, and Carol Johnston, Superintendent Assistant

Board Salutes

Mr. Mast commended the Maintenance staff for their impressive response to a recent sprinkler issue.

Dr. Seaton congratulated multiple clubs and sports teams for their recent group/team successes, including the following; boys and girls basketball, girls bowling, wrestling and band. Dr. Seaton also congratulated the following individual students/athletes; Natali Haynes (girls basketball) - 1,000 points earned, Rafi Pantoja (wrestling) – sectional 5th place finish, and Mr. Nate Harcar (band) – double bass first chair in the honors ILMEA orchestra.

Mrs. Mascal congratulated the WYSE team for their outstanding achievements at their recent competition event.

Introduce Students of the Month

Mrs. Mascal introduced and recognized the Students of the Month and presented each with a certificate.

Public Comment

Mr. Scott White, community member, addressed the Board regarding his concern of the proximity of the local liquor store to the high school.

Approval of Board Minutes

MOTION by Parr, seconded by Tutoky, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, January 21, 2020. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Approval of Financial Reports

MOTION by Biroshchik, seconded by McFadden, to approve the following items as listed under “Financial Reports” on the Tuesday, February 18, 2020, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the January, 2020, Treasurer’s Report and Budgetary Report
- Approve the February, 2020, Bills

Administrative Reports

Superintendent –

- **2020-2021 School Calendar** – The 2020-21 School Calendar recommendation was submitted to the Board for review. Per Dr. Seaton, the proposed calendar dates have been discussed with Streator Elementary, Grand Ridge, Ransom and St. Michael’s in order to have common dates for Spring Break.
- **Building and Grounds Update** – Mr. Reigle, Green & Associates, Ltd., updated the Board on the status of the various buildings and grounds projects, including the auditorium project and the upcoming 2020 Life Safety Implementation summer project. The auditorium project is approximately 90% complete and is expected to be timely completed, as originally projected. Board member suggested some additional outside lighting to light up the area, as well as, make the area “pop.” Also discussed, was a proposed change order to the 2020 Life Safety Implementation project for building a wall in the welding department.
- **Contract With Foreign Service Group – China for Chinese Enrollment for FY2021** – Dr. Seaton and the Board reviewed the contract renewal for the 2020-21 school year. The contract renewal is for one year and includes up to 20 students. The company will recruit students to study at SHS for next year. Dr. Seaton recommended the Board approve the contract.

- Contract with OSF for Athletic Training Services – Dr. Seaton and the Board reviewed the OSF Athletic Training Services Agreement. The Agreement reflects a 3-year renewal for \$7,000.00 annually. Dr. Seaton recommended the Board approve the Agreement.
- E-Rate Proposal for New Internal Network Cabling – E-Rate is a Federal program that provides network funding based on low income. The District has the opportunity to upgrade the current 10GB internal networking to carry a 40GB load. The overall cost for the upgrade is \$46,174.83. The E-Rate funding would cover 85% of the cost, leaving the District’s liability at \$6,926.22. Dr. Seaton recommended the Board approve the agreement for Ficek Electric & Communications System, Inc., to complete the work.
- FOIA Requests - Per School Board Policy 2:250, the SHS Board is to be notified when a FOIA request to SHS has been made. FOIA requests were received January 30, 2020, February 5, 2020 and February 10, 2020, from Katie Kim, 5NBC, Nathan Mihelich, IRTA and Iris Martinez, Parent Foundation, respectively. Responses to the requests were timely submitted.

Principal –

- Block Scheduling Presentation – Mrs. Mascal, Principal, and members from the Block Scheduling committee presented information to the Board regarding the procedures and process of the Block Schedule. Presenting members included, Mr. Robart, Mr. Watson, Mrs. Hladovcak and Mr. Tyne. Block Schedule is expected to begin with the 2021-22 school year.
- Facility Use Fee Waiver Request – The Streator Dancenter – Mr. Bedeker submitted the Facility Use Fee Waiver Request for the Board’s review and recommended Board approval.
- Facility Use Fee Waiver Request – Streator Wolves Basketball – Mr. Bedeker submitted the Facility Use Fee Waiver Request for the Board’s review and recommended Board approval.

Old Business

None

New Business

MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by Mast, to approve the following items listed under “New Business” on the Tuesday, February 18, 2020, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the 2020-21 School Calendar
- Approve the Contract with Foreign Service Group – China for Chinese Enrollment for FY2021
- Approve the 3-Year Contract Renewal with OSF for Athletic Training Services for the Amount of \$7,000.00 per School Year
- Approve the Proposal with Ficek Electric & Communications Systems, Inc. to Upgrade the Internal Network, Contingent on E-Rate Funds
- Approve the Facility Use Fee Waiver Request for The Streator Dancenter
- Approve the Facility Use Fee Waiver Request for Streator Wolves Basketball

Closed Session

MOTION by McFadden, seconded by Hoffmeyer, 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)(9)** for Student Disciplinary Cases; 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: 7:36 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by McFadden, to return to Regular Session. TIME: 8:47 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Motions from Closed Session

MOTION by Parr, seconded by Tutoky, to Approve the Contract Agreement with the Streator Council of AFT Local #604, of the American Federation of Teachers and the Streator Township High School Board of Education, District #40, for the 2020-2025 School Years. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Biroshchik seconded by Hoffmeyer, to approve the following items listed under "Personnel", on the February 18, 2020, Board Meeting Agenda. All new hires will be contingent on Background Check results. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

1. Hire: Mr. Kyle Tutt – 2020-21 Full-Time Social Studies Teacher
Mr. Kyle Tutt - 2020-21 Head Football Coach
Mr. Brennon Martin – 2019-20 Asst. Baseball Coach (1/2 Stipend)
Mr. Tom Walker – 2019-20 Asst. Baseball Coach (1/2 Stipend)
2. Volunteer: Mr. Tim Schlund – 2019-20 Volunteer Asst. Track Coach

President's Prerogative

None

Motion for Adjournment

MOTION by McFadden, seconded by Parr, to adjourn from the regular meeting. TIME: 8:49 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Dr. Earl Woeltje, Board President



James Parr, Board Secretary