

STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library
Prepared by Carol A. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order/Roll Call

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

Board members present: Ms. Baker, Mr. Biroshchik, Mr. Hoekstra, Mr. Hoffmeyer, Mr. Tutoky, Mr. Wargo and Dr. Woeltje

Administration present: Mr. Cameron, Superintendent, Mrs. Mascal, Principal, Mr. McGurk, Assistant Principal/A.D., Mr. Doty (6:24 p.m.), Assistant Principal, and Mrs. Johnston, Superintendent Assistant

Board Salutes

Dr. Woeltje commended the various sports teams on the STHS fields, adding they are all doing well in their seasons.

Dr. Woeltje commended Mr. Taylor, Shop Instructor, and the Shop Class students for the construction of the pavilion under way in Streator's Marilla Park.

Mr. Cameron commended the SEL (Social and Emotional Learning) students for their work creating and delivering the 'Bulldog Support' videos. The videos which provide awareness information to remain *respectful, responsible, socially smart* and *keeping it safe* are shared monthly with all staff and students.

Mr. Cameron delivered a special 'thank you' to Senator Bennett, for visiting, meeting staff, and touring the facility Monday, April 24, 2023.

Mr. Cameron reminded everyone that the School Musical, *Chicago*, debuts this week.

Students of the Month Recognition

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

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to approve the following items listed under "Approval of Minutes" on the, April 25, 2023, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- A. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, March 14, 2023
- B. Approve the Destruction of All Closed Session Recordings Prior to April, 2021

Approval of Financial Reports

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Hoekstra, to approve the Following Items Listed Under "Financial Reports" on the Tuesday, April 25, 2023, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- A. Approve the March, 2023 Treasurer's Report and Budgetary Report
- B. Approve the April, 2023 Bills
- C. Approve the Creation of the Class of 2027 STHS Activity Account

Administrative Reports

Superintendent –

- School-Wide Title Designation – Annually the Board needs to approve the School-Wide Title Designation. Because we are a High School District, we will utilize Title Funds with a designation of School-Wide. This allows the District to use Title Funds for all grade levels at the High School. Mr. Cameron recommended the Board approve the School-Wide Title Designation.
- 2023 Vocational Shop Site Exploration – The Board reviewed the 2023 Vocational Shop Site Exploration Proposal to perform subsurface exploration and soils testing in the South student parking lot. Proposals were received from ECS Limited and Testing Services Corporation for the amounts of \$29,600.00 and \$31,650.00 respectively. Mr. Cameron recommended the Board approve ECS Limited to perform the work for the amount of \$29,600.00.

- 2023-24 Arbor Management Procurement Contract – Mr. Cameron informed the Board that the contract with Arbor Food Management is up for renewal. This would be renewal 4 of 4. In place of the renewal, Arbor Food Management has proposed a one-year Noncompetitive Procurement Contract for the 2023-24 school year with an increase of 7.0%. The increase is mainly due to minimum wage increases and the increased cost in commodities. Mr. Cameron recommended the Board approve the proposed contract.
- 2023 Graduation Ceremony – The Board discussed various processes for the 2023 Graduation Ceremony which will be held on Sunday, May 21, 2023, @ 2:00 p.m. Specific discussion included the delivery of the graduate's diplomas. The Board will deliver the diplomas to the students per their discretion. Beginning this year and moving forward, full-time staff only will have the option to hand out diplomas limited to their children, step-children and grandchildren.
- SYFL Building Update – Mr. Cameron informed the Board that the architect has completed his review and estimate to bring the SYFL building near Dieken Stadium up to code. The cost is roughly \$45,000.00. A permit would also need to be provided by the ROE, limiting the occupancy to 13 people. Mr. Cameron recommended leaving the building as status quo. Any action to move forward would be the decision and responsibility of the SYFL.
- IASB/PRESS Board Policy Update #111- First Reading - The Board conducted a first reading of the School Board Policies being revised. A second reading will be conducted at the May, 2023, Board meeting.
- FOIA Requests - Per School Board Policy 2:250, the SHS Board is to be notified when a FOIA request to STHS has been made. FOIA Requests were received April 7, 2023 and April 18, 2023 from Meyers & Flowers, LLC and SmartProcure, respectively. Responses to the requests were timely submitted.

Principal -

- Smart Goals Presentation – Career & Technical Education – Mr. Riley Hintzsche - Mr. Hintzsche, Career & Technical Education Department Chair, presented via Power Point, the Career & Technical Education SMART Goals and statistics through PACE. (SMART – Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Timely) (PACE – Post Secondary & Career Expectations) The Department's goal is to continue to better prepare the students for furthering education and PACE students through real world skills.
- New Course Proposal – Forensic Science II - Mrs. Mascial submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board's review and recommended Board approval.
- New Course Proposal – Conversational German and Conversational Spanish - Mrs. Mascial submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board's review and recommended Board approval.
- New Course Proposal – Film as Literature - Mrs. Mascial submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board's review and recommended Board approval.
- New Course Proposal – Introduction to Creative Writing - Mrs. Mascial submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board's review and recommended Board approval.
- New Course Proposal – Introduction to Young Adult Literature - Mrs. Mascial submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board's review and recommended Board approval.
- New Course Proposal – Journalism and Social Media Studies - Mrs. Mascial submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board's review and recommended Board approval.
- New Course Proposal – Technical Writing - Mrs. Mascial submitted the New Course Proposal for the Board's review and recommended Board approval.
- Overnight/Extended Student Trip – Boys Track to Meet in Edwardsville, IL (ATF) – Mrs. Mascial presented the Application for the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for the Boards review and approval.
- Overnight/Extended Student Trip – Golf to Camp in Burlington, IA – Mrs. Mascial presented the Application for the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for the Boards review and approval.
- Overnight/Extended Student Trip – Cheerleading to Cheer Camp in Kenosha, WI – Mrs. Mascial presented the Application for the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for the Boards review and approval.

Assistant Principals –

- STHS Athletic Policy 23-24 – First Reading - The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed changes to the STHS Athletic Policy. A second reading will be conducted at the May 16, 2023, Board meeting.
- STHS Coaches Handbook 23-24 – First Reading - The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed changes to the STHS Coaches Handbook. A second reading will be conducted at the May 16, 2023, Board meeting.
- STHS Student Handbook – First Reading - The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed changes to the STHS Student Handbook. A second reading will be conducted at the May 16, 2023, Board meeting.
- STHS JW Academy Handbook – First Reading - The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed changes to the STHS JW Academy Handbook. A second reading will be conducted at the May 16, 2023, Board meeting.
- STHS TAOEP Handbook – First Reading - The Board reviewed and discussed the STHS TAOEP Handbook. A second reading will be conducted at the May 16, 2023, Board meeting.

Old Business

None

New Business

MOTION by Wargo, seconded by Baker, to approve the following items listed under “New Business” on the Tuesday, April 25, 2023, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- A. Approve the School-Wide Title Designation
- B. Approve ECS Limited, LLC, for the Subsurface Exploration and Geotechnical Engineering Services for the Amount of \$29,600.00
- C. Approve the 2023-24 Arbor Management Procurement Contract
- D. Approve the New Course Proposal – Forensic Science II
- E. Approve the New Course Proposal – Conversational German and Conversational Spanish
- F. Approve the New Course Proposal – Film as Literature
- G. Approve the New Course Proposal – Introduction to Creative Writing
- H. Approve the New Course Proposal – Introduction to Young Adult Literature
- I. Approve the New Course Proposal – Journalism and Social Media Studies
- J. Approve the New Course Proposal – Technical Writing
- K. Approve the Overnight Extended Student Trip for Boys Track to Meet in Edwardsville, IL (*ATF*)
- L. Approve the Overnight Extended Student Trip for Golf to Camp in Burlington, IA
- M. Approve the Overnight Extended Student Trip for Cheerleading to Cheer Camp in Kenosha, WI

Closed Session

MOTION by Tutoky, 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)(8)** for security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property; 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: 7:22 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Hoffmeyer, seconded by Tutoky, to return to Regular Session. TIME: 8:18 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Motions from Closed Session

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Biroschik, to approve the following items Listed Under “Personnel,” on the April 25, 2023, Board Meeting Agenda. All new hires will also be contingent upon Background Check results. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Resignation: - Ms. Sarah Schimek – Assistant Cheerleading Coach - Split Stipend
- Adjustment: - Mr. Bob Benning – Assistant Football Coach to *Split Stipend* (per Coach Request)
- Hires: - Ms. Mary Moritz – Homebound Tutor
- Mr. Edward Lewis – 2023-24 Assistant Football Coach - Split Stipend
- Mr. Dave Taylor – 2023 Summer Maintenance
- Mr. Ethan Farr – 2023 Summer Custodian
- Mr. Chris Aubry – 2023 Summer School Teacher
- Volunteer: - Mr. Jeremy Wachowski – 2023-24 Volunteer Assistant Football Coach

MOTION by Hoekstra, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to approve the “Re-Hiring” of the following for the 2023-24 school year. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Boys Basketball Head Coach - Beau Doty
- Boys Basketball Asst. Coaches - Damion Nambo, Adam Brown
- Bryan Park (½ Stipend), Micah Mattingly (½ Stipend)
- Boys Basketball Volunteers - Dakota Limberg, Jacob Houch
- Girls Basketball Head Coach - Jacob Durdan
- Girls Basketball Asst. Coaches - Eric Gwaltney, Melissa Zavada
- Bowling Head Coach – All - Nancy Longnecker
- Bowling Volunteers - Ron Ramza, Dan Pond, Molly Brockman

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| Cheerleading Head Coach | – Zena Leonard |
| Cheerleading Asst. Coaches | - Kelsie Chalkey |
| Streatorettes Head Coach | – Payton Scott |
| Streatorettes Volunteers | - Tiffany Park, Ashton Good |
| Wrestling Head Coach | - Kyle Lowman |
| Wrestling Asst. Coach | - Jeff Pollett |
| Wrestling Volunteers | - TJ Moran, Lucas Gwaltney |

Appoint Pro Tem Officers

President Biroschik appointed Mr. Cameron, as *Pro Tem* President and Mrs. Johnston, as *Pro Tem* Secretary.

Adjourn Sine Die

MOTION by Wargo, seconded by Tutoky, to adjourn *Sine Die*. TIME 8:22 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Call To Order/Roll Call of the New School Board

Mr. Cameron, President *Pro Tem*, called the meeting to order at 8:23 P.M.

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

Administration present: Mr. Cameron, Superintendent, and Mrs. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Administer Oath to Re-Elected Board Members

Mr. Cameron, President *Pro Tem*, administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Biroschik, Dr. Woeltje, Mr. Hoffmeyer and Mr. Hoekstra

Election of Officers

Election of President

1st Nomination for President – Mr. Hoekstra nominated Dr. Woeltje.
 2nd Nomination for President – Mr. Tutoky nominated Mr. Biroschik.
 No further nominations were made.

By receiving a majority of the votes cast, Mr. Biroschik was elected President of the Board of Education.

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Wargo, to elect Mr. Biroschik as President of the Streator Township High School Board of Education for the Term 2023-2025. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Election of Vice President

1st Nomination for Vice President – Mr. Wargo nominated Mr. Hoffmeyer.
 No further nominations were made.

By receiving a majority of the votes cast, Mr. Hoffmeyer was elected Vice President of the Board of Education.

MOTION by Wargo, seconded by Tutoky, to elect Mr. Hoffmeyer as Vice President of the Streator Township High School Board of Education for the Term 2023-2025. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Election of Secretary

1st Nomination for Secretary – Mr. Tutoky nominated Dr. Woeltje.
 No further nominations were made.

By receiving a majority of the votes cast, Dr. Woeltje was elected Secretary of the Board of Education.

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to elect Dr. Woeltje as Secretary of the Streator Township High School Board of Education for the Term 2023-2025. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Appoint a Recording Secretary

MOTION by Woeltje, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to Appoint Mrs. Carol Johnston as Recording Secretary of the Board of Education. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Approve the Treasurer

MOTION by Biroshik, seconded by Tutoky, to approve Mrs. Theresa Muntz of Muntz and Talbott, CPA's, P.C., as Treasurer for Streator Township High School District 40. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Approve the List of Depositories, Investment Managers, Dealers and Brokers

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to approve the STHS selection of Depositories, Investment Managers, Dealers and Brokers. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

2023-2024 Board Meeting Schedule

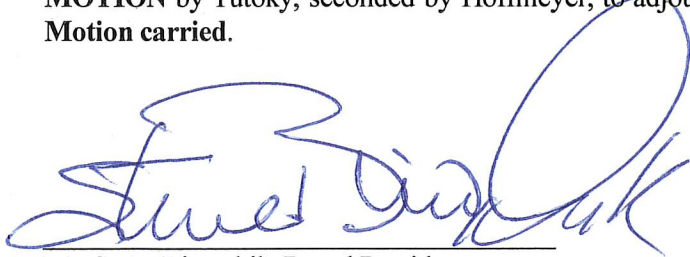
MOTION by Hoffmeyer, seconded by Hoekstra, to approve the 2023-24 STHS Dist. 40, Board of Education Meeting Schedule. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

President's Prerogative

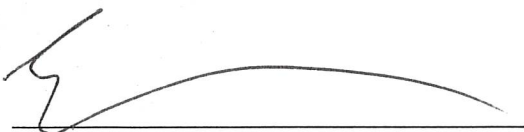
President Biroshik thanked the Board members for re-electing him as Board President, stating the Board has a great team to work with.

Adjourn

MOTION by Tutoky, seconded by Hoffmeyer, to adjourn from the Regular Meeting. TIME: 8:35 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Mr. Steve Biroshik, Board President



Dr. Earl Woeltje, Board Secretary