

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

**Regular Meeting – March 16, 2015**

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 16, 2015 at the Stark County Elementary. Members present were Robert Groter, Keith Knobloch, Robin Nowlan, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts and Elizabeth Rumbold. Also present were Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; William Lamb, Jr. High/High School Principal; Tessa Samuelsen, Elementary Principal; Bart Frey, teacher representative; citizens of the district and members of the press. (Ron Turnbull was absent.)

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Rewerts, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Groter, to approve the consent calendar. Items approved under the consent calendar were:

- Approval of the February 23, 2015 minutes;
- Approval of the February Jr. High Activity Fund, High School Activity Fund, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the February LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$287.06, BC/BS of Illinois \$40,788.83, Guardian \$407.38, Guardian \$3,001.16, Guardian \$465.94, Guardian \$404.77, Canon Financial Services, Inc. \$6,346.00, Stark County CUSD \$146,210.71, Stark County Sheriff's Office \$500.00, State Disbursement Unit \$215.00, Casey's General Store \$45.00, Stark County CUSD #100 \$239,747.65, Frontier Communications \$833.57, Vicki Moutoux \$405.00, VISA \$969.49, VISA \$1,203.92, VISA \$719.59, Michelle Loeffler \$300.00, Century Link Business Services \$122.42, CNHI Capital-CRA Payment Center \$308.29, Imprest Fund \$9,505.72.

Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Nowlan, to approve the March bills of \$158,322.90. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

There were no visitor comments.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mr. Lamb reported the first round of PARCC testing has been completed at the Jr. High. The juniors will be taking the ACT test tomorrow. The first round of the High School PARCC testing is scheduled for next week. The Leadership Teams have been working on reading, Rtl, job shadowing and career exploration. Spring sports have begun practicing.

Bart Frey presented a check in memory of his father, Rodney Frey, monies to be designated for Jr. High track.

Mrs. Samuelsen reported the elementary testing is going well. Jennifer Peck, Henry/Stark Psychologist intern, gave a presentation on student testing anxiety. The

inservice day was spent on Type III assessment. Students and staff celebrated “Reading Across America” in early March. Staff members gave a “Rock the Test” concert in preparation for testing. She thanked the Parent Club for work on the recent fundraiser project, the Leadership Team for the concert preparations, and the volunteer readers for “Reading Across America”.

Mr. Klooster reported school was cancelled March 2<sup>nd</sup> and the last day of student attendance will be May 28<sup>th</sup>, and the Teachers’ Institute is scheduled for May 29<sup>th</sup>. The Board candidate workshop was held last week with a presentation by Reatha Owen from IASB. He requested a meeting of the Building Committee prior to the next meeting to discuss the High School parking lot repair, pneumatics and thermostats, and boiler water treatment. If we bid out property/casualty insurance and work comp insurance this year he plans to seek bids from Prairie State Insurance Cooperative and WCSIT/ISDA in addition to our current vendor. He reported the Organizational Meeting of the new Board must be held by May 5<sup>th</sup>. If canvassed results are available by the April meeting the organizational meeting could be held at that time otherwise a special meeting will need to be held. Current budget figures were made available.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Henry-Stark Special Education:** Meeting on Thursday.

**Finance:** The committee met prior to the meeting to review bus bids and restructuring debt options. Mr. Klooster reported three companies bid the leasing of two buses and Midwest Transit had the lowest bid of \$9,532.00 per year. The committee reviewed scenerios of debt restructure. The committee will recommend taking action later in the meeting to work with Kings Financial and Chapman & Cutler.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Nowlan, to accept the bid from Midwest Transit to lease two, 2016, 65-passenger buses at an annual cost of \$9,532.00 per bus. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowlan, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the agreement letters with Kings’ Financial Services and Chapman and Cutler as part of the debt restructuring plan. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster presented FY16 fee increases and cost saving measures. Motion was made by Mr. Nowlan, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold to approve the following beginning FY16:

- Increase student athletic fees to \$40 per sport, capped at \$80 per student and \$160 per family
- Increase student lunch prices 10 cents to \$1.90 at the Elementary, \$2.15 at the Jr. High and \$2.40 at the High School
- Increase adult athletic ticket prices from \$3.00 to \$4.00, increase adult athletic pass to \$40.00 and family athletic pass to \$80.00
- Increase Driver’s Ed fee to \$50.00
- Skip FY16 textbook rotation

- Reduce FY16 Principal budgets by 5%
- Bid out FY16 Property/Casualty and Workers' Comp Insurance
- Freeze unplanned FY15 spending

and to table the following cost saving options until a later date: Reduction of FY16 extracurricular trip mileage and elimination or reduction of the FY16 Triple I Conference attendance. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Lamb and Mrs. Samuelsen presented proposals for summer school. The program at the High School would be a credit recovery program and would run June 1 – June 30. There was no program at the Jr. High last year, but if numbers reflect a need he recommends a program similar to the high school. Mrs. Samuelsen recommended a "Jump Start" program at the Elementary held July 21 – August 14, Monday-Thursday, 8:30 – 11:30 for approximately 20 students with two teachers.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold to approve the summer school programs as presented if numbers reflect a need. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to endorse the recommended changes to the Education Foundation by-laws. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Nowlan, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to approve the renewal of the IHSA Membership for FY16. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Items for the next meeting: consideration of employment of summer workers, evaluation of winter coaches and sponsors, possible first reading of the FY16 handbook changes, possible employment or reduction of staff, possible discussion of tentative FY15 budget amendment.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Nowlan, to adjourn to Executive Session for the discussion of Appointment, Employment, Compensation, and Performance or Dismissal of Employees at 7:50 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Groter, to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:26 p.m. and to hold the minutes, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to approve the Executive Session minutes of February 23, 2015, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Nowlan, to accept the resignation of Cynthia Smyser, High School Science teacher, effective the end of the 2014-2015 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to accept the resignation

of Jacob Rorem, Jr. High Social Science teacher, effective the end of the 2014-2015 school year. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to approve the following volunteer coaches: Howard Simmons (Asst. HS girls' track), Kim Becker (Asst. JrH track), Joe Orwig and Brandon Simpson (Asst. HS Baseball) and Kevin Wise (Asst. HS Softball). Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to accept the resignation of Tessa Samuelsen, Elementary principal, effective June 30, 2015. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Brian Rewerts, President

Elizabeth Rumbold, Secretary

APPROVED: April 20, 2015

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**Special Meeting – February 13, 2015**

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in special session on Friday, February 13, 2015 in the Stark County CUSD 100 District Office. Members present were Robert Groter, Keith Knobloch, Robin Nowlan, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, and Ronald Turnbull. Also present was Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; and Dale Heinold, District IT. (Elizabeth Rumbold arrived during the meeting.)

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Rewerts, at 7:45 a.m.

There were no visitor comments.

There were no old business items.

Mr. Klooster and Mr. Heinold informed the Board of a reduced pricing opportunity on chromebooks from Tierney Bros. Motion was made by Mr. Turnbull, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to approve the purchase of 200 chromebooks from Tierney Bros at \$253 per device, including license, for a total cost of \$50,600, pending availability. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Mr. Klooster provided the Board with information on other items:

1. he requested a meeting of the Building and Finance Committees prior to the regular February meeting to discuss bond restructuring and boiler bids,
2. distributed a copy of our current vehicle list and asked the members to review prior to the regular meeting
3. he informed the Board he would be e-mailing a fund balance sheet history, FY15 and FY 16 projections and a cost savings document.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Nowlan, to adjourn at 8:02 a.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

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President

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Secretary