

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

**Regular Meeting – April 21, 2014**

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 21, 2014 at the Stark County Elementary. Members present were Robert Groter, Keith Knobloch, Ann Orwig, Brian Rewerts, Elizabeth Rumbold, Ronald Turnbull and W. David Turner. Also present were Jerry Klooster, Superintendent; William Lamb, Jr. High/High School Principal; Tessa Samuelsen, Elementary Principal; citizens of the district and members of the press.

The meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Turner, at 7:00 p.m.

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

- Approval of the March 17, 2014 minutes;
- Approval of the March Jr. High Activity Fund, High School Activity Fund, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the March LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$551.49, Stark County CUSD \$143,551.42, BC/BS of Illinois \$41,954.54, Guardian \$420.43, Guardian \$3,086.24, Guardian \$494.36, Guardian \$400.35, Michelle Loeffler \$300.00, State Disbursement Unit \$215.00, Stark County Sheriff's Office \$325.00, Illinois High School Association \$2,829.60, U.S. Postal Service \$500.00, James Unland & Co. \$143.00, VISA \$74.55, VISA \$115.35, VISA \$200.47, Stark County CUSD #100 \$160,865.72, Vicki Moutoux \$420.00, Michelle Loeffler \$300.00, Century Link Business Services \$117.94, Pitney Bowes \$315.00, CNH Capital – CRA Payment Center \$273.00, Imprest Fund \$7,887.49.

Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to approve the April bills of \$123,740.06. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Visitor Comments: Jim and Peggy Moats addressed the Board regarding basement water issues they are experiencing due to water runoff following heavy rains. They asked if the District would consider looking into the possibility of re-routing drain lines to the south instead of the east. The Board directed Mr. Klooster to investigate the issue, speak with the City of Wyoming, and the get back to the Moats with a response.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mrs. Samuelsen reported Pre-K registration and Kindergarten Round-up was held. Forty-six students signed up for the Pre-K program. The Ladders After-School Program has finished and thirty-six students received services. March 26th School Improvement Day was on textbook presentations. Children's Library Appreciation Month was celebrated and concluded with students and staff dressing as their favorite book character. Other building activities include: spring picture day, engineering camp, scholastic book fair, and first grade math night. She highlighted the proposed revisions to the student handbook.

Mr. Lamb reported this is a busy week with Prairie State testing, a mock prom crash, prom and after-prom activities. He, Mrs. Samuelsen and faculty will be traveling to Manteno tomorrow to observe their implementation of a 1:1 technology program. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade fieldtrip to the Putnam Museum in Davenport was April 11. The participated in the “hands-on” physical science exhibits and a 3-D educational movie “Titans of the Ice Age, exploring the geology, weather and animals of the past. He has received requests to expand our IHSA athletic offerings to include bass fishing and soccer. The high school musical “Sound of Music” concluded prior to Spring Break. He highlighted the proposed revisions to the student handbook.

Mr. Klooster asked for Board representatives to present promotion certificates and diplomas. Mrs. Orwig volunteered for Eighth Grade Promotion and Mrs. Rumbold volunteered for High School Graduation. He reminded members that the Economic Interest Statements distributed prior to the meeting needed to be completed and returned to Barbara Loane. He told the Board he would explain why he is not recommending action to amend the budget at this time under Old Business agenda item. The final report from the ISBE Focused Monitoring Team was received and he has contacted Greg Wertheim to explain the report and answer any questions at next month’s meeting. Mr. Klooster shared that we currently serve forty students in-house through the State Pre-K Grant and we also send students to the Special Education Pre-K at Lyle School in Kewanee. Next year we anticipate 9-10 students enrolled in that program and Greg Wertheim has asked that we consider hosting a classroom in district. Henry-Stark would provide the teacher and aide, so the educational cost would be the same for the district and the benefits would be reduced travel for students and possible reduced transportation costs. The prospective teacher has a blended license and the program could possibly serve additional “overflow” pre-K students that our traditional program would not be able to serve. There may be some costs incurred in furnishing the classroom. He gave a report on the budget expenditures through March.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Henry/Stark Special Education** - Mr. Turner reported he had attended the most recent Governing Board meeting and new officers were appointed and they acted on personnel issues—resignations and hirings.

**Building** – Mr. Turnbull reported the committee had met prior to the meeting with two engineers from Farnsworth. They discussed the gym lighting project, the HS gym roof, the HS boiler, the Moats’ basement issue, the HS parking lot, and an update on the Jr. High windows.

**Education/Finance** – Mr. Klooster informed the committee members a meeting has been scheduled for May 14 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss textbook adoption.

Motion was made by Mr. Knobloch, seconded by Mr. Turnbull, to accept the bid of Graybar Electric to provide lights and controls at a cost of \$43,905.00. Discussion: Lights would be replaced in the gyms at the Elementary, High School and Athletic

Complex with LED lights and installation work will be done in-house. Possible additional cost incurred include unistruts, wire, conduit and architect/engineer fee. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to authorize the superintendent to work with the architect on old boiler removal and new boiler installation at the High School per statutory bidding requirements. Discussion: would like to spec out an Aldrich boiler or equivalent, if bidding requirements allow, two steam boilers similar to the boilers at the Jr. High. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Turnbull, seconded by Mr. Groter, to authorize the superintendent to make repairs to the High School gym roof for a cost not to exceed \$13,000. Discussion: west side of roof needs repaired first, contractor or Terry Mercer will do the work. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

No action was taken on the High School parking lot repair.

Mr. Klooster reported on the current status of the FY14 budget. Funds that may need to be amended are Building/Operations, Municipal Retirement and Tort. He recommended waiting until May to take any action on possibly amending the budget. If amending the budget is recommended a special board meeting will need to be scheduled in June to meet the statutory posting requirements.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to approve the FY15 IESA membership at a cost of \$340.00. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Knobloch, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the first reading of the recommended changes to the Stark County Elementary, Stark County Jr. High/Stark County High School 2014-2015 student handbooks. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to adopt the summer building hours as follows: close the buildings on Fridays during June and July, building hours will be Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Exception Summer School will still take place on Friday mornings in June and the Unit Office will be open until noon on Fridays -AND- the High School gym will be open for camp during the first Friday of summer, Friday, June 6), the buildings will be open for full weeks in August. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve hosting a Henry/Stark Special Education District Pre-K program at Stark County Elementary during FY15, pending agreement with Henry-Stark Special Education District. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Items for the next meeting: Approval of Handbook Changes, Review of Closed Session Minutes of the Last Six months, Motion to Place Amended FY15 Budget on Display (if necessary), Possibly Let Bids for Bread, Milk, Rebel Reporter and Trash Pick-up,

Presentation by Superintendent on Planned Summer Work, Possible Increase to Fees, Employment of Summer Workers.

Motion was made by Mr. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of employees and student discipline at 8:10 p.m. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Rewerts to reconvene from Executive Session at 9:35 p.m. and to hold the minutes, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to approve the Executive Session minutes of March 17, 2014, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to re-employ the following non-tenured, certified staff members for next year: Taul Noard, Cynthia Liebovich, Bart Frey, Wade Hennig, Courtney Kunkel, Thomas McElwee, Angela McGrath, Michael Smania and Emily Stahl. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to employ Courtney Kunkel and Crystal McRell as Stark County Elementary summer school teachers. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Turnbull, to employ Melissa Smith and Debbie Ford as Stark County Jr. High summer school teachers. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to employ Mary McMillen, Amy Milroy, Cynthia Smyser and Bart Frey as Stark County High School summer school teachers. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to employ Bill Loane as a Stark County High School summer school supervisor. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to accept the resignation of Susan VanWassenhove as paraprofessional and crossing guard, effective the end of the current school year. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Rewerts, to accept the irrevocable letter of retirement from Nancy Wier, effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Turnbull, to accept the resignation of Sonrisa Nowlan, effective the end of the 2013-2014 school year. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to adjourn at 9:37 p.m.  
Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

W. David Turner  
President

Elizabeth Rumbold  
Secretary

Approved: May 19, 2014