

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

**Regular Meeting – December 16, 2013**

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 16, 2013 at the Stark County Elementary. Members present were Robert Groter, Keith Knobloch, Ann Orwig, 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 a member of the press. (Brian Rewerts was absent.)

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

The Truth in Taxation hearing was held with Mr. Klooster highlighting the proposed tax levy figures.

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

- Approval of the November 18, 2013 minutes;
- Approval of the December 4, 2013 minutes;
- Approval of the November Jr. High Activity Fund, High School Activity Fund, Imprest Fund and Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the November LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$669.73, Lifts of Illinois \$461.46, Stark County CUSD \$143,522.07, R.A. Oldeen, Inc. \$45,493.00, BC/BS of Illinois \$40,606.22, Guardian \$420.43, Guardian \$3,086.24, Guardian \$494.36, Guardian \$400.35, State Disbursement Unit \$215.00, VISA \$126.85, VISA \$130.45, VISA \$398.65, Stark County CUSD #100 \$152,384.38, Vicki Moutoux \$480.00, U.S. Postal Service \$250.00, Century Link \$113.62, Apple, Inc. \$1,397.00, IHSA \$3,223.63, Stark County CUSD #100 \$260.00, Lifts of Illinois \$200.00, Imprest Fund \$8,468.15.

Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Orwig, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to approve the December bills of \$114,133.85. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

There were no visitor comments.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mrs. Samuelsen reported principal-grade level meetings were held to discuss math team goals, how to familiarize parents with the common core, math pacing guide, upcoming benchmark testing, possible ELA textbook rotation and technology updates. Majority of the teacher evaluations have been completed. She reported on the winter concerts. She thanked the STAR team. She reported on the difficulty of getting substitute teachers and aides.

Mr. Lamb reported that Mrs. McGrath has started the course request process for next year. Bradford students plan to visit the high school on January 16<sup>th</sup> and then he and Mrs. McGrath will go to Bradford on January 23<sup>rd</sup> to meet with the eighth grade students. The trial run of utilizing high school students to tutor junior high students during study hall time has been successful. The results of the benchmarking at the Jr. High should be available on Wednesday. Mr. Langdon's Operation Teen Safe Driving team has begun its winter promotion to encourage good driving habits and is working with state and regional groups to plan safe driving activities for the coming months. Mrs. Deusinger received an \$800 Speer Grant for Story Telling assemblies at the Jr. High and Elementary School. Mrs. McMillen and Mrs. Landaverde received Education Foundation grants to purchase Spanish language magazines for supplementary instructional materials. Victoria Harmon and Peyton Letko were selected to participate in the Illinois Music Education Association All-State chorus January 22 – 25. The Jr. High and High School Winter concert is scheduled for Tuesday evening. Mr. Lamb reported that district-wide over \$2,100 was raised for the American Red Cross tornado relief fund..

Mr. Klooster asked if there was interest in meeting with other local school boards for a combined dinner/workshop meeting; the consensus was, yes. He announced that Diana Gilles and Vicki Deusinger were awarded grants from the State Bank of Speer and he thanked the State Bank of Speer supporting the school by providing Speer Grant monies. On December 3<sup>rd</sup> school was delayed for one hour due to heavy fog. He will be meeting with the calendar committee next month regarding the 2014-2015 school calendar and he asked the Board if there were parameters they would like to be considered. He asked about setting High School Graduation for Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00; there was no opposition. He gave an update on the new pension bill approved by the Illinois legislature. He reported the alternative school in Manlius may be undergoing some major changes and he will report back with more definite details in January. He reported on the recent heating issues and that they are now under control.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Henry/Stark Special Education** – Mr. Turner reported on the November Governing Board meeting. Mr. Klooster reported on the December 12<sup>th</sup> Executive Board meeting and that they will be recommending the approval of personnel items, annual health and dental/vision insurance rates and approval of the 2012-2013 year end costs for tuition, IMRF, FICA, etc.

**Finance** - Mrs. Rumbold reported the committee had met on December 4 to review the FY14 budget status and to preview the projected revenues and expenditures for next year. Mr. Klooster gave a detailed report on the district finances.

**Policy/Negotiation Combined Committee Report** – Mr. Groter reported the committee had reviewed the recommended Press policy changes. Mr. Knobloch reported they discussed upcoming negotiations and will start meeting with the teachers in January. Specific details regarding negotiations would be shared in the Executive Session.

The Board members reported on the sessions they attended during the

IASA/IASB/IASBO Conference. Sessions attended were: articulating the purpose of the school board, mobile devices – district 100% electronic, dealing with and getting feedback from parents, one-to-one implementation, professional learning communities, school finance for novices, creating innovators, autism, common core, PERA- evaluator forum, ag program, alternative schools, college and career readiness in non-core curriculum, and collective bargaining.

Motion was made by Mr. Knobloch, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adopt the 2013 tax levy and to direct the Superintendent to file the necessary paperwork with the County Treasurers. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to direct Mr. Lamb to employ additional security over Christmas Break for periods of time when custodians might not be in the buildings. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to approve the first reading of the following policies and recommend for final adoption at the January meeting: 2:105, 2:120, 7:340, 3:60, 4:100, 5:50, 5:90, 5:120, 6:60, 6:250, 6:310, 7:185, 8:30, 7:140 (legal reference change only) and 5:230. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Graduation request agenda item was removed from the agenda.

Items for the next meeting: Salute to Illinois State Scholars, Annual State of the District Report, Possible Renewal of Auditor Contract, Superintendent Evaluation.

Motion was made by Mr. Groter, seconded by Mrs. Rumbold, to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining at 8:18 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Turnbull, to reconvene from Executive Session at 9:18 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 November 18, 2013 and December 4, 2013, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mrs. Rumbold, seconded by Mr. Knobloch, to adjourn at 9:19 p.m. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

Brian Rewerts, President. Pro-Tem

Elizabeth Rumbold, Secretary

Approved: January 20, 2014