

## **STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40**

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library

Prepared by Carol A. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

### **Call to Order/Roll Call:**

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

Board members present: Mrs. Ricca, Mrs. Linton, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Biroshik, Mr. Cherveney,  
Mr. Darrow (arrived at 6:04 P.M.) and Mr. Grako

Administration present: Dr. Myers, Mrs. Mascal, and Mrs. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

### **Amended Agenda:**

**MOTION** by Cooke, seconded by Linton, to amend the Agenda to add item I under New Business for the Facility Use Request by the Streator Youth Baseball League. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion Carried.**

### **Board Salutes:**

Mrs. Ricca commended the eight SHS students that were recently named Illinois State Scholars.

Mr. Biroshik saluted the SHS band for their terrific performance at the 2011 SHS Christmas concert.

Sue Linton spoke of her visit to the Alternative School and stated it was very welcoming by the students.

Dr. Myers commended J.J. Cravata for his accomplishment in owning the SHS Basketball record for the “most points scored” in the history of SHS Basketball.

### **Introduce Students of the Month:**

Mrs. Mascal introduced the “December Students of the Month” and presented each with a certificate.

### **Public Comment:**

None

### **Academic Topic – Mid Year SIP Update:**

Dr. Myers and Mrs. Mascal presented the Progress Towards Restructuring Goals for the School Improvement Process. They provided, in great detail, what SHS has accomplished thus far towards the goals, what is currently being implemented, and the future plans, as well as the ongoing actions, necessary to ensure the continued success of the School Improvement Process.

### **Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION** by Biroshik, seconded by Darrow, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, November 15, 2011. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

### **Approval of Financial Reports:**

**MOTION** by Biroshik, seconded by Cooke, to approve all items as recommended under Financial Reports in the Tuesday, December 13, 2011, Board Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- A. Approve the November, 2011 Treasurer’s Report and Budgetary Report
- B. Approve the December, 2011 Bills

### **Reports**

Superintendent –

- Property Tax Resolution – The Truth in Taxation Hearing was not required since the aggregate amount requested did not exceed 105%. Property Growth (EAV) is expected to increase 2.44%. The District will be able to decrease the tax rate from \$2.8926 (2010) to \$2.8613 for the community due to the decrease in requested funds for IMRF, Social Security and Tort. Dr. Myers recommended approving the tax levy at 5.00% EAV to assure all funds are available to the District.

- Student Activity Accounts – Dr. Myers recommended merging three separate student activity accounts into one “Athletic Revolving” account since all purchases for athletics is currently processed through the “Athletic Revolving” account.
- New Student Activity Account – Dr. Myers recommended the Board approve the Training Student Activity Account which will monitor funds raised as well as provide students with costs savings when purchasing training equipment, etc.
- Hearing Officer – As required annually by School Board Policy, Dr. Myers recommended the STHS Board approve Mr. Condon as the primary Hearing Officer and authorize Administration to appoint another Hearing Officer during the school year if necessary.
- Conference Options – Dr. Myers requested authorization to explore additional Conference options to analyze whether a better fit exists for STHS. The idea would be to reduce long road trips which impact the students’ academic achievement as well as the level of competition. Mr. Grako mentioned the possibility of creating our own workable conference.
- Donation – Small Engines – Dr. Myers recommended the STHS Board approve the donation of 25 small engines received as a courtesy from Kohler Company.
- Disposition of School Property – Dr. Myers recommend the STHS Board approve the sale and/or disposition of multiple computer memory chips that are no longer useful to STHS. Any proceeds from sales will be credited to the technology budget.
- Triple I Conference – Members who attended the 2011 Triple I Conference reported on the sessions they attended.

Principal – None

Assistant Principal /Dean of Students-

- Custodian Evaluation - The Custodial Evaluation Form was reviewed and discussed by the STHS Board. Board members requested to change verbiage on the Evaluation Form to read, “A performance indicator of “0” or “1” requires a statement that describes the specific performance behaviors to justify that evaluation”.

### Executive Session

**MOTION** by Darrow, seconded by Linton, to go into Executive 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)(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; and as per 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9) for the discussion of Student Disciplinary Cases.

TIME: 7:41 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Cherveney, seconded by Darrow, to return to Regular Session. TIME: 8:17 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

### Motion from Executive Session

**MOTION** by Cook, seconded by Darrow, to release the Executive Session Minutes for June 21, 2011, July 19, 2011, August 16, 2011, October 20, 2011 and September 20, 2011 Executive Session #2 only. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Biroshik, seconded by Darrow to expel student ID #2014084 for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion Carried.**

### Old Business

**MOTION** by Grako, seconded by Darrow, to approve the 2011 Tax Levy. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**New Business**

**MOTION** by Linton, seconded by Biroshchik, to accept with regrets the resignation of Mr. Dave Holmes as Assistant Football Coach or the 2012-2013 school year. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Biroshchik, seconded by Cherveney, to approve Mr. Javier Magana as Assistant Girls Track Coach. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Grako, seconded by Darrow, to approve Ms. Brianne Nink as Volunteer Assistant Streatorette Coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Darrow, seconded by Biroshchik, to approve the 2012-2013 Fall Sports Coaches in Cross Country, Girls Volleyball, Boys Soccer, Golf and Girls Tennis as presented. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Grako, seconded by Darrow, to approve the 2012-2013 Fall Football Coaches as presented. Ayes (6) Nays (1 – Mr. Biroshchik) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Darrow, seconded by Grako, to approve All Items Listed Under “New Business” B through I on the December 13, 2011 Board meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**President’s Prerogative**

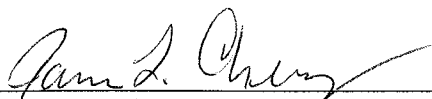
Mrs. Linton reported on the meeting with the Team Committee and the three Consultants, the need for such, and included that she felt these Consultants looked promising.

**Motion for Adjournment**

**MOTION** by Biroshchik, seconded by Darrow, to adjourn from the regular meeting. TIME: 8:29 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



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Mrs. Karen Ricca, Board President



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Mr. James Cherveney, Board Secretary