

STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 15, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library

Prepared by Carol A. Johnston, Superintendent Assistant

Call to Order/Roll Call

President Ricca called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

Board members present: Mrs. Ricca, Mr. Biroschik, Mr. Darrow, Mr. Grako, and Mrs. Linton

Mr. Cooke arrived at 6:03 P.M.

Board member absent: Mr. Cherveney

Administration present: Dr. Myers and Mrs. Johnston, Superintendent Assistant

Board Salutes

Ms. Ricca acknowledge Mr. Wargo and Ms. Novotney for their hard work in organizing the Fall Sports Banquet and commented on the large number of parents and students that attended.

Dr. Myers commended the Key Club for their Food Drive participation efforts and acknowledged the Choir Group for their outstanding performance at their first concert this school year.

Dr. Myers recognized the School Board members for Illinois School Board Members' Day and thanked them for their dedication and loyalty to STHS and students.

Mr. Holmes saluted the STHS students that received Honor Roll and High Honor Roll for the first 9 weeks of the 2011-2012 school year.

Introduce Students of the Month

Ms. Mascia introduced the "October Students of the Month" and presented each with a certificate.

Public Comment

None

Academic Topic – Bulldog Buddies – Bulldog Buddies club members and sponsor, Mary LeRette, presented their mission to create opportunities for one to one friendships for people with developmental disabilities through mentoring and social activities. Several club members commented on multiple bonding activities and special events they currently sponsor and participate in as well as in the past.

Approval of Board Minutes

MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by Grako, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, October 18, 2011.

Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Approval of Financial Reports

MOTION by Grako, seconded by Linton, to approve all items as recommended under Financial Reports on the Tuesday, November 15, 2011 Board Agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

A. Approve October, 2011 Treasurer's Report and Budgetary Report

B. Approve November, 2011 Bills

Administrative Reports

Superintendent Dr. Myers:

- Preliminary Property Tax Resolution – Dr. Myers presented the preliminary property tax resolution which indicated the District would be able to maintain the current tax rate @ \$2.88 for the community. Dr. Myers recommended the Board approve a tentative levy @ 5% EAV to assure all funds are available to the district.
- Investments – Dr. Myers presented CD rates from multiple local Banking Institutions. Streator Onized Credit Union offered the highest CD interest rate @ .90%. Dr. Myers recommended the Board invest \$1,000,000.00 with Streator Onized Credit Union for 6 months.
- Drive One 4 Your School Donation – Dr. Myers reported \$3,639.20 was the unofficial amount received from the Drive One 4 Your School Fundraiser, as well as his recommendation of the allocation of such funds.
- RIF Committee – Dr. Myers explained the Senate Bill 7 and House Bill 315 and the respective requirements for compliance. In addition, he requested authorization to establish a committee to begin the process.
- Secretary Generalist Job Description – Dr. Myers requested the Second Reading of the Secretary Generalist Job Description and recommended the approval.
- Paraprofessional Job Description - Dr. Myers requested the Second Reading of the Paraprofessional Job Description and recommended the approval.
- Triple I Conference – Dr. Myers distributed Triple I Conference handouts to each Board member attending the upcoming conference. He recommended that all members attending the conference provide a summary of their sessions at the December 13, 2011 Board Meeting.

Principal:

- Parent Teacher Conferences – Mrs. Mascall reported the overall statistics of Parents attending the conferences. She also supplied documentation reflecting 114 parents' conference evaluation results, which reflected 92 "excellent" and 22 "good" ratings.
- Early Graduation Requests for 2011-2012 . – Mrs. Mascall submitted the list of students who qualified and wished to pursue December, 2011 early graduation.
- Staff Training – Out of State – Mrs. Mascall submitted for approval, the Application for Out of State Staff Training, "Understanding Frameworks of Poverty".

Assistant Principal/Dean of Students:

- Bulldog Buddies Club Status – Mr. Holmes recommended the "Bulldog Buddies" be recognized as an official club at Streator Township High School.

Executive Session

MOTION from Cooke, seconded by Darrow, 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 this 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: 6:55 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Grako, to return to regular session. TIME: 8:12 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Motions from Executive Session

MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by Cooke, to approve the Minutes of the Closed Meetings of Thursday, October 20, 2011. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried**

MOTION by Cooke, seconded by Grako, to expel student ID #2012028 for the remainder of the 2011-2013 school years. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried**

MOTION by Biroschik, seconded by Cooke, for the Board of Education of STHS District #40 to deny the Grievance numbered 2011/121 from ATF Local #604. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried**

Old Business

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Cooke, to approve all items under old business as listed on the November 15, 2011 agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried**

New Business

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Linton, to approve the employment of Ms. Kari Hagerty as Assistant Softball Coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Grako, to approve the employment of Ms. Katie Cox as Assistant Girls Soccer Coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Linton, seconded by Darrow, to approve the employment of Mr. Alex J. Wahl as F-T paraprofessional for the 2011-2012 school year. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Grako, to approve the employment of Mr. Daniel "Lenny" Missel as F-T Custodian for the 2011-2012 school year. Ayes (5) Nays (1 – Ms. Linton) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Linton, seconded by Cooke, to approve all Volunteer Coaches for the 2011-2012 school year as listed on the November 14, 2011 agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Cooke, to approve items B through F under New Business as listed on the November 14, 2011 agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

President's Prerogative

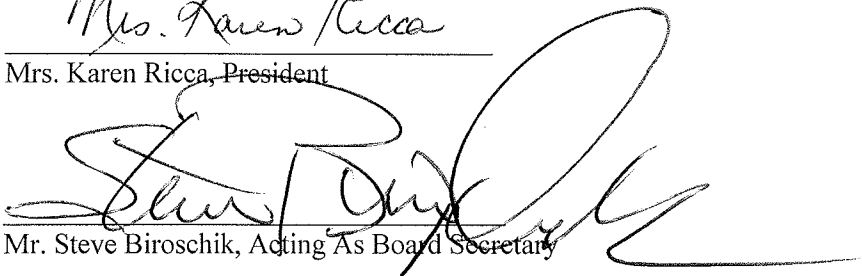
None

Adjourn

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Grako, to adjourn from the regular meeting. TIME: 8:21 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Mrs. Karen Ricca, President



Mr. Steve Biroshik, Acting As Board Secretary