

# STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 2013 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: Mr. Biroshik, Mr. Cooke, Mrs. Linton and Mrs. Schuler

Board member arriving late: Mr. Darrow – 6:05 P.M.

Board member absent: Mr. Grako

Administration present: Dr. Myers, Superintendent, Mrs. Mascal, Principal, Mr. McGurk, Assistant Principal, Mr. Holmes, Assistant Principal-Dean and Carol Johnston, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

## Board Salutes

Mrs. Linton commended the Girls Basketball Coaches and Athletes for the success of their Athletic Banquet.

Mr. Biroshik congratulated student, Mr. Stephen Truchon for breaking swim team records at the State qualifying event.

Mrs. Ricca commended the Streatorette Coaches and Athletes for the success of their Athletic Banquet.

Mrs. Ricca commended the National Honor Society and Mr. Randolph, students and staff for the Talent Show performance.

Dr. Myers recognized Mr. Dennis, Chief Maintenance Supervisor and the community Police and Fire Departments for configuring an emergency system of numbering facility doors for easy locating in emergency situations.

Dr. Myers congratulated Mr. Chris Peterson for being awarded the “Streator Business of the Year Award” for “Professional Business” at the Streator Area Chamber of Commerce’s 101<sup>st</sup> Annual Dinner Meeting.

## Special Student Recognition – Positive Action Committee

Mr. Chris Aubry represented the Positive Action Committee in recognizing and presenting “Hero Awards” to four STHS students.

## Special Student Recognition – Golden Apple Scholar

Mrs. Mascal recognized and congratulated Ms. Kristina McCormick for receiving the “Golden Apple Scholar”. Ms. McCormick is the first STHS student to receive this award.

## Introduce Students of the Month

Mrs. Mascal introduced and recognized the March, 2013 Students of the Month and presented each with a certificate.

## Public Comment

None

## Academic Topic – District Goal Update

Administration reviewed and discussed the progress of the District Goals with the Board including, Finance, School Community Relations, Academic Achievement, Programs & Services and Facilities.

## Approval of Board Minutes

**MOTION** by Schuler, seconded by Darrow, to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, February 19, 2013 and the Amended Minutes of the regular meeting of Tuesday, January 15, 2013. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

## Approval of Financial Reports

**MOTION** by Linton, seconded by Biroshik, to approve all items as recommended under Financial Reports in the Tuesday, March 19, 2013, Board Agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the February, 2013 Treasurer’s Report and Budgetary Report
- Approve the March, 2013 Bills

## Administrative Reports

Superintendent –

- 2012-2013 Budget Review – Dr. Myers informed the Board that the Budget Committee has met several times to discuss potential cost reductions through the remainder of 2012-2013. To date, the Committee has identified approximately \$193,000 of budgeted, forthcoming costs to be eliminated. The goal is to reach \$300,000 of reductions.
- Maintenance Grant – Dr. Myers recommended using Maintenance Grant funds to repair the Pop's Dale Gym bleachers. The cost of the repair is \$26,155.
- Reciprocal Reporting Agreement – Dr. Myers reviewed the Reciprocal Reporting Agreement process with the Board explaining that the Agreement allows the sharing of information from law enforcement to schools. By adopting the Agreement, STHS should have better communication regarding students that commit the covered criminal offenses.
- 2012-2013 Amended Calendar – Dr. Myers submitted the 2012-2013 Amended School Calendar reflecting changes resulting from the March, 2013 snow day used. The last day for student attendance will be Wednesday, May 22, 2013.
- Tenure Process – Dr. Myers reminded the Board that action is not necessary to grant a Teacher, Tenure. A Teacher achieves Tenure after their fourth year of full-time teaching in good status at STHS. Dr. Myers also reviewed Senate Bill 7's guidelines beginning with the 2013-2014 school year. With the implementation of Senate Bill 7, Tenure decisions will be based on performance evaluation ratings. As a courtesy, the Board recommended an update each year of the staff obtaining Tenure.
- Spring Dinner Meeting Update- What Board Members Need To Know – Mrs. Ricca and Mrs. Linton reviewed with Administration and the remainder of the Board, information learned at the Annual Spring Dinner.
- Points Job Descriptions – Dr. Myers requested the third reading of the job descriptions and recommended approval.
- Custodian Job Description – Dr. Myers requested the second reading of the job description and recommended approval.
- Groundskeeper Job Description – Dr. Myers requested the second reading of the job description and recommended approval.

Principal –

- Finals – Testing Dates – Mrs. Mascall reviewed the dates students will be taking exams as a result of the March, 2013 snow day.
- 2013 Summer School Course Proposals – Mr. Brittin reviewed and submitted the 2013 Summer School Course Proposal and costs, including Driver's Education. Mr. Brittin estimates 75-100 "out of district" student sign ups as a result of Ottawa High School not offering Summer Classes. Mr. Brittin estimates the Summer School Program could reach out to approximately 240 students. Mr. Biroschik suggested higher fees for "out of district" students.
- IHSA Membership Renewal – IHSA is an organization which sets the standards and guidelines for athletics and activities in the State of Illinois. Mrs. Mascall recommended the Board approve the IHSA Membership Resolution.
- Overnight/Extended Student Trip – Key Club to International Convention – Mrs. Mascall presented the Application for the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for approval.
- Overnight/Extended Student Trip to FFA Farm Bureau Youth Conference – Mrs. Mascall presented the Application for the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for approval.
- Overnight/Extended Student Trip – Varsity Baseball Trip to Lincoln High School – Mrs. Mascall presented the Application for the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for approval.

## Closed Session

**MOTION** by Darrow, seconded by Schuler, to go into Closed 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 and as per 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2) for the collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees .  
TIME: 7:47 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) Motion

**MOTION** by Schuler, seconded by Darrow, to return to Regular Session. TIME: 7:59 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Motions From Closed Session

None

Old Business

**MOTION** by Schuler, seconded by Linton, to approve all items as listed under "Old Business" on the March 19, 2013 Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

New Business

**MOTION** by Linton, seconded by Darrow, to approve all items listed under "New Business", "Personnel", on the March 19, 2013 Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Biroshchik, seconded by Cooke, to approve the repair of the Pop's Dale Gym bleachers as recommended. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Linton, seconded by Darrow, to approve the Reciprocal Reporting Agreement of the 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit as presented. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Darrow, seconded by Schuler, to approve the 2012-2013 Amended School Calendar as Presented. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Linton, seconded by Cooke, to approve the 2013 Summer School Course Proposals as presented. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Cooke, seconded by Schuler, to approve the IHSA Membership Resolution as presented. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

**MOTION** by Linton, seconded by Darrow, to approve the following Overnight/Extended Student Trips as presented; Key Club Trip to the International Convention in Washington D.C., Varsity Baseball Trip to Lincoln High School and FFA Trip to the Farm Bureau Youth Conference in Springfield, IL. Ayes (5) Nays (1-Biroshchik) **Motion carried.**

President's Prerogative

Mrs. Ricca encouraged everyone to vote for the 1 cent County School Facility Sales Tax during the April 9<sup>th</sup> election.

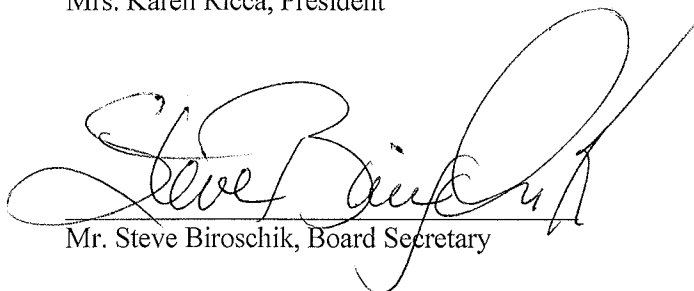
Mrs. Linton asked that anyone available to walk to promote the County School Facility Sales Tax, please do so.

Motion for Adjournment

**MOTION** by Darrow, seconded by Schuler, to adjourn from the regular meeting. TIME: 8:50 P.M. Ayes (6) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Mrs. Karen Ricca, President



Mr. Steve Biroshchik, Board Secretary