

STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #40

Board of Education – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, August 21, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. in the STHS Library

Prepared by Carol A. Johnston, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order/Roll Call

President Woeltje called the Regular meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Board members present: Mr. Biroschik, Mr. Darrow, Mr. McFadden, Mr. Parr, Mr. Tutoky, Mr. Williamson and Dr. Woeltje

Administration present: Mr. Seaton, Superintendent, Mrs. Mascal, Principal, Mr. McGurk, Assistant Principal (exited 6:05 p.m.), and Carol Johnston, Superintendent Assistant

Board Salutes

Dr. Woeltje complimented the new SHS tennis courts, adding he and approximately 50 community members attended the ribbon cutting event.

Mr. Tutoky congratulated the tennis team as they hold their first contest on the new courts this evening.

Mr. Seaton stated the new school year is off to a great start and thanked parents who recently attended the Parent Engagement Tech Night event.

Mr. Parr commended FFA students for taking the time to send thank you notes to Board members in appreciation for approving their recent overnight trip to the FFA Officer Retreat.

Introduce New Staff

Mr. McGurk introduced the District's new staff members for the 2018-19 school year.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Board Minutes

MOTION by Williamson, seconded by Darrow, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of Tuesday, July 17, 2018. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

Approval of Financial Reports

MOTION by Williamson, seconded by Darrow, to approve all items as recommended under "Financial Reports" on the Tuesday, August 21, 2018, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the July, 2018, Treasurer's Report and Budgetary Report
- Approve the August, 2018, Bills

Administrative Reports

Superintendent –

- 2018-19 Tentative Budget and Set Budget Hearing – Mr. Seaton and the Board reviewed the 2018-19 Tentative Budget. The 2018-19 projected revenues and expenditures of \$13,529,528 and \$13,354,902 respectively, reflect a projected surplus of \$174,626 for the 2018-19 school year. Mr. Seaton recommended a Budget Hearing on the 2018-19 Budget be held on Tuesday, September 18, 2018, at 5:45 p.m.
- Contract with Foreign Service (China) Group, Ltd. – Mr. Seaton and the Board reviewed and discussed the Foreign Service (China) Group, Ltd. Contract. The Foreign Service Group specializes in language learning education, worldwide. The company is requesting SHS educate up to 20 foreign exchange students from China beginning January 1, 2019. The Foreign Service Group company will be responsible for the full-tuition payment to the District which is currently \$11,624.46 per year and prorated at \$5,821.23 for ½ year. The District will interview the students prior to offering enrollment and have total control, including turndown rights. Throughout the discussion, the Board requested minor edits to the Contract. Mr. Seaton recommended the Board approve the Contract with edits as discussed.

- 2018-19 Health Insurance Update – Mr. Seaton informed the Board that the District’s Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance rate increase is 3.16% for the upcoming year. The plan has changed slightly by increasing the single deductible by \$100 and the family deductible by \$200, which contributes to keeping the premium low. The rate increase and plan changes were recently discussed with the Insurance Committee. Mr. Seaton recommended the Board approve the renewal as well as contribute an additional \$100 for single plans and \$200 for family plans to the employee HRA, a possible cost to the District of approximately \$6,600 in additional HRA. Since the District recently planned for a 5% increase in health insurance rates, the lower rate increase of 3.16% provides for an approximate savings of \$16,030 from the budget projection.
- School Vehicle Purchase – Mr. Seaton informed the Board that we have been experiencing an increased cost in maintenance for the older school vehicles and trouble pulling the Band Trailer. Bids reflecting 3 school vehicle trade-ins and the purchase of 3 new/like-new vehicles were received from Bill Walsh Chevrolet and Star Ford in Streator. A committee reviewed both bids and is recommending that the Board accept the proposal from Star Ford to trade three vehicles and purchase three new vehicles for a cost of \$75,527.82.
- Building & Grounds Update - Mr. Seaton informed the Board that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met with the District’s Architects on August 14, 2014 to review and prioritize the 5 year span of Life/Health/Safety projects totaling approximately \$4.5 million dollars. Also discussed was the need for repairs to the Wrestling Room floor and placement options for the Class of 2018 sculpture.
- New Activity Account – Class of 2022 – Annually, the Board must approve the incoming Freshman Class activity account.
- FOIA Requests – Per School Board Policy 2:250, the SHS Board is to be notified when a FOIA request has been made. FOIA Requests were received by NBC5 Chicago on July 31, 2018 and August 15, 2018. Responses to the request were timely submitted.

Principal –

- Coaches Handbook Updates – Second Reading – The Board performed a second review of the updates to the handbook.
- Overnight Extended Student Trip – SHS AgEd to National FFA Convention, IN & MI – Mrs. Mascall presented the Application of the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for approval.
- Overnight Extended Student Trip – SHS Band to Disney World, Orland, FL - Mrs. Mascall presented the Application of the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for approval.
- Facility Use Fee Waiver Request – Mr. Wargo submitted the Facility Use Fee Waiver Request for the Board’s review and approval.

Old Business

MOTION by Williamson, seconded by Tutoky, to approve the Coaches Handbook updates. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

New Business

MOTION by McFadden, seconded by Tutoky, to approve the following items listed under “New Business” on the Tuesday, August 21, 2018, Board Meeting Agenda. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Approve the 2018-19 Tentative Budget and Set the Budget Hearing Meeting for September 18, 2018 @ 5:45 P.M.
- Approve the New Vehicle Purchase Proposal from Star Ford for the Amount of \$75,527.82
- Approve the Creation of the Class of 2022 Activity Account
- Approve the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for SHS AgEd to National FFA Convention, IN & MI
- Approve the Overnight/Extended Student Trip for SHS Band to Disney World, Orlando, FL
- Approve the Facility Use Fee Waiver Request for the Alumni Football Game

MOTION by Parr, seconded by Darrow, to approve the Contract with Foreign Service (China) Group, Ltd. with discussed changes. Ayes (6) Nays (1 - Williamson) **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Parr, seconded by Williamson, to approve the 2018-19 Health Insurance renewal and HRA contribution. Ayes (6) Nays (1 - Darrow) **Motion carried.**

Closed Session

MOTION by Darrow, seconded by Williamson, 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)(11)** for the litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting; 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. TIME: 7:30 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

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

Motions From Closed Session

MOTION by Parr, seconded by McFadden, to approve the following items listed under "Personnel", on the August 21, 2018, Board Meeting Agenda. New Hires will be contingent on Background Check results. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**

- Resignations: Mr. Jeff Biederstedt – Science Teacher
Ms. Donelyn Williams – Paraprofessional
Mr. Dave Holmes – Assistant Football/Equipment Manager
- Hires: Mr. Randy Vincent – 2018-19 Science Teacher
Mr. Dan Hladovcak– 2018-19 Asst. Football/Equipment Manager (Split Stipend)
Mr. Jim Wille – 2018-19 Asst. Football/Equipment Manager (Split Stipend)
- 2018-19 Lunch Supervision -***

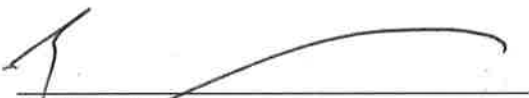
Mr. Beau Albert	Ms. Tina O'Brien	Ms. Antonella Feyerer
Mr. Brad Brittin	Ms. Carol Phelan	Ms. Dawn Williams
Ms. Alison Clausing	Mr. Stuart Randolph	Ms. Amy Hagi
Ms. Kelly Coons	Mr. John Sandoval	Mr. Tom Edwards
Ms. Heather Dorton	Ms. Liz Swiskoski	Ms. Rachel Knott
- Volunteers: Mr. Patrick Lamptey – 2018-19 Volunteer Assistant Boys Soccer Coach
Mr. Jeff Strabala – 2018-19 Volunteer Assistant Football Coach

President's Prerogative

None

Motion for Adjournment

MOTION by McFadden seconded by Darrow, to adjourn from the Regular meeting. TIME: 8:01 P.M. Ayes (7) Nays (0) **Motion carried.**



Dr. Earl Woeltje, Board President



Mr. James Parr, Board Secretary