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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
Helen Boehrsen

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**Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting  
October 18, 2018**

Meeting was *Called to Order* at 6:31 p.m. by President, Darrell Pendleton.

Present at **Roll Call**: Pendleton, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Absent: Goering, Yuska.

A quorum was present.

Individuals present at **Roll Call** other than Board of Education members:

Helen Boehrsen, Superintendent; John Grill, Comptroller; Jason Johnson, Treasurer; Christine Johnston, Principal; Rhonda Stegall, Board Recording Secretary; Kelly Henning, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts Teacher; Katie Harrington, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher; and Kate Spencer, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher.

**Additional Agenda Items**: None.

**Introduction of Guests and Comments**

Jason Johnson presented the Treasurer's Report. Additional financial information was given to the Board including:

- Activity Account
- Cash Receipts
- Imprest Account
- Monthly Expenditures
- Credit Card Statement
- Bank Collateral - Quarterly Report
- Impact Fees – Quarterly Report

Mr. Cox made a motion to approve the **Consent Agenda** which included:

- Minutes from the Special Board Meeting on September 20, 2018
- Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on September 20, 2018
- Financial Reports
- Monthly Expenditures

Mrs. Dykstra seconded the motion.

Yeas: Pendleton, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering, Yuska.

Motion passed.

## Administrative and Board Committee Reports

### Superintendent Report – Superintendent Boehrsen

Ms. Boehrsen informed the Board that October is the Illinois Principal's Association Principal Appreciation Month. She honored and expressed appreciation to Ms. Johnston for her hard work and leadership.

Ms. Boehrsen informed the Board that at the Three Rivers Division Meeting on October 2, 2018 our Board members were honored for their Board Member Designations. She thanked the Board for their accomplishments. Mr. Pendleton will distribute the designation pins to the Board Members who could not attend the meeting.

Ms. Boehrsen noted that Board Member's Day is November 15. She thanked the Board for the time they volunteer serving our community.

Ms. Boehrsen mentioned that the IASB/IASA/IASBO Conference in Chicago is fast approaching. It will be held November 15-18, 2018.

Ms. Boehrsen gave an update to the Board regarding the electrical issues the District has been having. She noted that at the annual Safety Plan meeting, which was held on October 10, 2018, Deputy Chief Keener was made aware of the situation and noted he has a contact at ComEd. Ms. Boehrsen mentioned that our school district is still gathering information.

Ms. Boehrsen informed the Board that we were unable to schedule a bus driver for a recent Cross Country meet. Chris Hammond, Business Manager at BBCHS, offered the use of one of their buses and driver to help us. Ms. Boehrsen expressed appreciation for Mr. Hammond's assistance.

### Principal – Christine Johnston

Ms. Johnston informed the Board that Parent/Teacher Conferences were held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and October 4<sup>th</sup>. She thanked the teachers for all of their hard work.

Ms. Johnston informed the Board that the Fall Musical for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grades will be held at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Ms. Johnston mentioned to the Board that they are emphasizing writing in the school's curriculum.

Ms. Johnston gave an update to the Board about extracurricular activities for Mr. Wells. She noted the following: Cross Country went to State, the Round Robin Tournament will begin on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night for Girls' Basketball will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup>, and the Robotics Team competitions are beginning.

### Committee Reports

KASEC: Ms. Boehrsen stated that routine business was conducted at the October meeting.

Building: Ms. Boehrsen noted that the Building Committee recently met to discuss the parking lot.

Other: None.

## Discussion and Possible Action Items

### A. Approve of Resolution to Prepare 2019-2020 School Year Budget – **ACTION**

Motion was made by Mrs. Fouts to approve the Resolution to Prepare the 2019-2020 School Year Budget. Mrs. Armstrong seconded the motion.

Yeas: Pendleton, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering, Yuska.

Motion passed.

### B. Approve Quote from Tria Architecture for Architectural Services for Parking Lot Paving Project for Summer 2019 as Presented – **ACTION**

Motion was made by Mr. Cox to approve the quote from Tria Architecture for Architectural Services for the Parking Lot Paving Project for Summer 2019 with the proposed options if needed as presented. Mrs. Fouts seconded the motion.

Yeas: Pendleton, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering, Yuska.

Motion passed.

### C. Approve Solicitation of Bids for Parking Lot Paving Project for Summer 2019 – **ACTION**

Motion was made by Mrs. Armstrong to approve the Solicitation of Bids for the Parking Lot Paving Project for Summer 2019. Mrs. Dykstra seconded the motion.

Yeas: Pendleton, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering, Yuska.

Motion passed.

Mr. Yuska joined the meeting at 7:02 PM.

### D. 2018 Illinois School Report Card – **INFORMATIONAL**

Ms. Boehmsen informed the Board that only a preview of the 2018 Illinois School Report Card is available to superintendents at this time. Even though the final report card will not be made available to the public until October 31, 2018, Ms. Boehmsen noted that the 2018 Illinois School Report Card would be released to the media on Monday, October 22, 2018 which does not allow districts sufficient time to work with the information before it is released.

Ms. Boehmsen explained some of the new features of the 2018 Illinois School Report Card including:

- **Summative Designations**: Summative Designations are designed to help families and communities understand how well schools are serving all students. Ms. Boehmsen explained that there are four summative designations: Exemplary School (top 10%), Commendable School, Underperforming School, and Lowest-Performing School (bottom 5%). Ms. Boehmsen mentioned that District summative designations were provided on Monday with

the Superintendent preview but then they disappeared from the 2018 Illinois School Report Card by Wednesday because they contained errors. Even though St. George School was given a summative designation of Commendable, the Illinois State Board of Education indicated the final designation will not be available until October 31, 2018. There are many data components that are considered for the summative designation. They are different for K-8 schools and high schools.

- K-8 2018 Summative Designation Data Composition:
  - 50% Growth of the Student (PARCC Scores)
  - 20% Chronic Absenteeism
    - Ms. Boehmsen explained the differences between Chronic Truancy (absent without being excused) vs. Chronic Absenteeism (absent more than 10% of total attendance days due to various reasons including vacations, doctor notes, calling in sick). She showed last year's data for the District (54 out of 447 students designated with Chronic Absenteeism in 2017-2018) and explained that the District has tried many ways to reduce this number, including altering the school calendar to make it easier for families to take vacations when school is not in session.
  - 5% Climate Survey
  - 10% Math Proficiency
  - 10% ELA Proficiency
  - 5% EL Progress (Proficiency)
- Evidence Based Funding: Ms. Boehmsen explained that the new funding model is based on evidence of need including local resources, student demographics and regional demographics. As she mentioned at the April Board meeting, our District currently is considered a Tier 2 school with regards to funding and is being funded at 67% of the funding capacity the state has determined necessary for our District.

Ms. Boehmsen noted that more details about the final version of the 2018 Illinois School Report Card would be provided at the regular November Board meeting.

#### **Communication / Informational**

- Board Communications
- Board Highlights
- Student Enrollment
- School Improvement Day Agenda from October 5, 2018
- October 2018 Parent-Teacher Conference Survey Results
- Grant Park Wind Farm Newsletter – Issue 13: October 1, 2018

## Closed Session

Motion was made by Mrs. Armstrong to enter Closed Session at 7:27 p.m. for the purposes of discussing:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

Yeas: Pendleton, Yuska, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering.

Motion passed.

Mr. Cox made a motion to return to open session at 7:52 p.m. Mrs. Armstrong seconded the motion.

Yeas: Pendleton, Yuska, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering.

Motion passed.

## Action Items

### A. Approve Closed Session Minutes from October 18, 2018

Mrs. Fouts made the motion to approve the Closed Session Minutes from October 18, 2018.

Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

Yeas: All.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering.

Motion passed.

### B. Approve Employment of Non-Certified Staff for FY 2018-2019

Mrs. Fouts made the motion to approve the employment of Kylee Boudreau as a Paraprofessional at a rate of \$12.76 per hour for FY 2018-2019 contingent upon the employee obtaining a Paraprofessional Educator License within 45 days. Mrs. Dykstra seconded the motion.

Yeas: Pendleton, Yuska, Dykstra, Cox, Armstrong, Fouts.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering.

Motion passed.

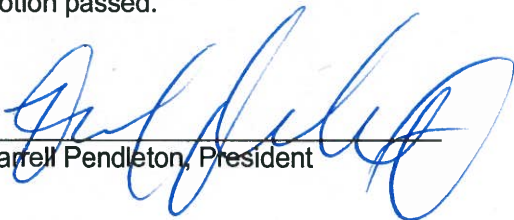
Mrs. Armstrong made the motion to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. Mr. Cox seconded the motion.


Yeas: All.

Nays: None.

Absent: Goering.

Motion passed.

  
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Darrell Pendleton, President

  
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Addison Goering, Secretary