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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2022 ST. GEORGE SCHOOL - DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM

Meeting was Called to Order at 6:30 p.m. by the Vice President, Tom Yuska.

Present at **Roll Call**: Yuska, Fouts, Cox, and Munsterman.
Absent: Armstrong, Pendleton, and Dykstra.
A quorum was present.

Individuals present at **Roll Call** other than Board of Education members:
Dr. Jay P. Smith, Superintendent; John Grill, Comptroller; Jason Johnson, Treasurer; Christine Johnston, Principal; Rhonda Stegall, Board Recording Secretary; Holly Quint, Substitute Board Recording Secretary, Karen Bacon, Fourth Grade Teacher / Union Co-President; Angela Cooper, Junior High ELA Teacher; and Stephanie Koerner, Special Education Teacher.

Additional Agenda Items: None.

Introduction of Guests and Comments

Mr. Yuska welcomed Ms. Quint who is training as a Substitute Board Recording Secretary.

Mr. 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
- Quarterly Reports

Mrs. Fouts made a motion to approve the **Consent Agenda** which included:

- Minutes from Special Board Meeting (Budget Hearing) on September 22, 2022
- Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on September 22, 2022
- Resolution to Dispose of Obsolete Equipment
- Financial Reports
- Monthly Expenditures
- Quarterly Reports

Mr. Munsterman seconded the motion.

Yeas: Yuska, Fouts, Cox, and Munsterman.

Nays: None.

Absent: Armstrong, Pendleton, and Dykstra.

Motion passed.

Mrs. Dykstra joined the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Administrative and Board Committee Reports

Superintendent Report – Dr. Jay P. Smith

- Dr. Smith shared information about the FY22 and FY23 Maintenance Grants including some examples of projects that may be included in the FY23 Maintenance Grant. He noted that sidewalk repairs will be accomplished sometime next spring or in June
- Dr. Smith informed the Board that the Transportation Safety Hazard application was approved by IDOT and noted that the District will be able to capture reimbursement for those students riding the bus.
- Dr. Smith informed the Board that a meeting with the Economic Alliance of Kankakee County will occur on November 2nd. Dr. Smith hopes the meeting provides the Economic Alliance with a better understanding of our District and how we impact each other presently and for the future.
- Dr. Smith surveyed the Board about paper vs electronic board packets for future Board meetings. The Board stated that they are in favor of electronic packets.
- Dr. Smith shared information about the following important dates:
 - November 17-20: Annual Triple I Conference (School Board Convention)
 - November 21: Teacher Institute Day (This day will include a professional development presentation by Olivet and a team building activity of bowling.)
 - November 22: School Improvement Day (Teachers will work from home and turn in an agenda on items they will work on for the day.)
 - November 28: Regular Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m. (This is a different date and time compared to other months due to the School Board Convention and Thanksgiving Holiday.)

Principal – Christine Johnston

- Mrs. Johnston informed the board that after school tutoring sessions will begin soon.
- Mrs. Johnston provided a curriculum update which included the following: Paper tutoring for students is up and running (112 Tutoring Sessions and 96 Writing Reviews).
- Mrs. Johnston provided information about Fall Assessments which included the following: Final KIDS ratings to be submitted and ongoing interim assessments for student progress and intervention.
- Mrs. Johnston provided a summary of Professional Development attended by staff. This included the following: Illinois Principals Association Conference (Mrs. Johnston and Mr. Howard-Breeden); Kimochi's Training (Mr. Hawn); and 95% Vocabulary Surge Training (Mr. Howard-Breeden, Mrs. Haas, and Mrs. Hoogstraat).
- Mrs. Johnston shared information about the following important dates:
 - October 19: Parent University was held at BBCHS
 - October 21: St. George School PTO Trunk or Treat
 - October 28: St. George will host a Feeder School District / Curriculum Meeting with BBCHS, Bradley, and Bourbonnais.
 - November 11: Veterans Day Concert in the St. George School Gym at 9:00 AM

Assistant Principal / Athletic Director – Bryan Wells

Dr. Smith shared the following information with the Board on behalf of Mr. Wells:

- The Critical Response Team meeting was held on October 20, 2022.
- The District's A.L.I.C.E. Certified Organization status was approved for the period of October 3, 2022 through October 3, 2023 (Our District experienced 100% employee certification for the first time.)
- Cross-Country Sectional & State: Many students ran PRs at Sectional. Parker Fouts qualified for State and ran in the State Meet on Sat. Oct 15.
- Girls Basketball's regular season is in full swing and team is playing well.
- Boys Basketball & Cheerleading began this week
- BBK Raiders Round Robin Tournament will take place on November 1 - 5 (Teams: BUGC, Manhattan, Bishop McNamara, St. George)

Committee Reports

KASEC: Dr. Smith informed the Board that KASEC continues to seek a SPED Teacher, Paraprofessional, and Speech and Language Pathologist to fill vacancies.

Other: None.

Discussion and Possible Action Items

A. Approve Proposal for Concrete Replacement Project as Presented – **ACTION**

Motion was made by Mrs. Fouts to approve the proposal for concrete replacement project as presented. Mr. Cox seconded the motion.

Yeas: Yuska, Fouts, Cox, Dykstra, and Munsterman.

Nays: None.

Absent: Armstrong and Pendleton.

Motion passed.

B. Approve FY2023 School Maintenance Grant Project Application and Reserve Local Funds to Cover the Portion of the District's Projected Costs – **ACTION**

Motion was made by Mrs. Fouts to approve the FY2023 School Maintenance Grant Project Application and Reserve Local Funds to Cover the Portion of the District's Projected Costs. Mrs. Dykstra seconded the motion.

Yeas: Yuska, Fouts, Cox, Dykstra, and Munsterman.

Nays: None.

Absent: Armstrong and Pendleton.

Motion passed.

C. Present Preliminary 2022 Illinois School Report Card – **INFORMATIONAL**

A presentation titled “IAR - Everything Changes” was made by Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Koerner, and Mrs. Cooper. Recent St. George School IAR Team Meetings highlighted some of the positive things happening at our school:

- St. George School is above the state averages in ELA, Math, and Science.
- St. George School’s strengths are our teachers (curriculum knowledge, flexible, professional), supportive parents, and resilient students.
- Teachers and staff are approachable, collaborative, and work together as a team (curriculum, building, SEL, student activities).
- New experienced staff are a welcomed asset to our school.
- Our students, teachers, staff, and parents are hard-working and committed to our school.
- Teacher cultural book study highlights include “Our Story” – Cultivating a culture of understanding & support for everyone. Our individual stories come together to make our collective story as a community.
- MTSS Team (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) functions in a proactive vs. reactive way. This includes: 1) Academic Interventions and Support (small groups, tutoring support, delivery of curriculum, Title I Services, Wilson Reading System, Foundations, Vocabulary Surge, RPS Jr. High, summer school, and Jump Start); and 2) Social Emotional Interventions and Support (P.B.I.S. Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports, Sunshine Circles, Kimochis, Second Step, and Student Council).

Communication / Informational

- Board Communications
 - Mrs. Stegall thanked Dr. Smith and the Board for nominating her for the 2022 IASB Holly Jack Outstanding Service Award.
- Board Highlights
- Student Enrollment
- Agenda for School Improvement Day on September 23, 2022

Closed Session

No motion was made to enter into Closed Session.


Mrs. Fouts made the motion to adjourn at 7:06 p.m. Mr. Munsterman seconded the motion.

Yeas: All.

Nays: None.

Absent: Armstrong and Pendleton.

Motion passed.



LaDawn Armstrong, President



Kathleen Fouts, Secretary