



**St. George Community Consolidated School District No. 258**

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Board of Education

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*The St. George Community creates a world-class educational environment that employs technology and quality classroom instruction to help our children become global independent thinkers, lifelong learners, and productive members of society.*

**Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting**

**May 14, 2015**

Meeting was **Called to Order** at 4:50 p.m. by President, Darrell Pendleton.

Present at **Roll Call**: Pendleton, Fletcher, Goering, and Alpers. Absent: Harms and Yuska. A quorum was present.

**Closed Session**

Motion made by Mr. Fletcher to enter Closed Session at 4:52 p.m.

Motion seconded by Mr. Goering for the purposes of discussing:

- Board Vacancy 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (3). The selection of a person to fill a public office including a vacancy in a public office, when the District is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the District is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance.
- Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11). 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.
- Negotiations 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2). Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

Yeas: Fletcher, Goering, Alpers, Pendleton

Nays: None.

Absent: Harms and Yuska

Motion passed.

Mrs. Harms entered at 5:04 p.m.

Mr. Alpers left at 6:34 p.m.

- Mr. Pendleton made the motion to return to open session at 6:39 p.m.  
Mr. Fletcher seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

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

Helen Boehrsen, Superintendent; John Grill, Comptroller; Jason Johnson, Treasurer.

## **Appointment of School Board Member**

Motion made by Mrs. Harms to appoint Kenya Austin as school board member to fill the unexpired term of Carl Fletcher.

Motion seconded by Mr. Fletcher. All yeas. Absent: Alpers and Yuska. Motion passed.

## ***Introduction of Guests and Comments - None***

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

- Activity account
- Cash receipts
- Imprest account
- Monthly expenditures

Mr. Fletcher made the motion to approve the *Consent Agenda*, which included:

- minutes from Regular Board Meeting, April 28 , 2015
- minutes from Re-organization of the School Board and Regular Board Meeting, April 28 , 2015
- minutes from Closed Session, April 28, 2015
- financial reports
- monthly expenditures
- Policy 2:230 Revision – School Board – Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board, second reading

Mr. Goering seconded the motion.

Yeas: Fletcher, Goering, Harms, Pendleton

Nays: None.

Absent: Alpers and Yuska

Motion passed.

## **Administrative and Board Committee Reports**

- Superintendent Report – Superintendent Boehrsen  
Illinois Supreme Court struck down pension reform law, which would have changed the public pension system in Illinois. According to the court, pensions could not be reduced because of the Illinois Constitution. Superintendents anticipate, as it has been indicated, that districts will assume the cost shift for the state required portion of the pension obligation (currently around 8% of salaries). This will cost St. George at least an additional \$125,000. The total pension contribution will be about 18% paid for each teacher of the district. It is estimated that a total of 25% of schools would not make payroll if this occurs. The district has reserves for the first year.

Another bill being considered that proposes that all local government real estate tax levies be frozen for two years at the December 2015 amount.

Helen Boehrsen presented the board with the new teacher evaluation instrument and accompanying appendix. The teachers and administrators were thanked for their work on this important tool.

- Triple I Conference – November 20 through November 22, 2015 in Chicago, Illinois - Informational  
Superintendent Boehrnsen announced that registration for the Triple I Conference will begin on June 15, 2015. All board members are requested to submit their attendance and lodging information by the June 11 board meeting.
- Annual Music Department Report – Informational  
The music report from Diane Stedman-Martin was given to the board members.

### **Closed Session**

Motion made by Mrs. Harms to enter Closed Session at 7:10 p.m.  
Motion seconded by Mr. Fletcher for the purposes of discussing:

- Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11). 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.
- Negotiations 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2). Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.
- Personnel ILCS 120/2 (c) (1). The appointment, employment, compensation, 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.

Yeas: Alpers, Pendleton, Fletcher, Goering, Harms

Nays: None.

Absent: Yuska

Motion passed.

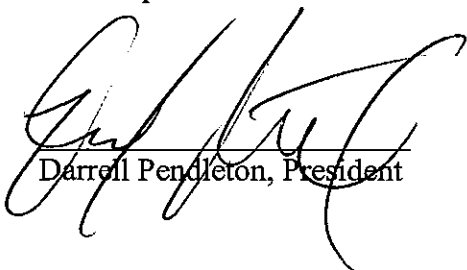
- Mr. Fletcher made the motion to return to open session at 7:53 p.m.  
Mrs. Harms seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed
- **Motion** to adjourn was made by Mr. Fletcher at 7:54 p.m.  
Mrs. Harms seconded the motion.

All Yeas.

Nays: None.

Absent: Yuska.

Motion passed.



Darrell Pendleton, President



Addison Goering, Secretary

Helen Boehrsen told the Board the district received a letter from Dr. Murphy of The Regional Office of Education that the district has received Full Recognition status from ISBE.

- Committee Reports  
KASEC  
A vote on the Herscher proposal for IDEA funds will take place next week.

### **Discussion and Possible Action Items**

- Review and Approve Vendor Proposal for Drainage – Action It  
This item will be tabled to the June board meeting.
- District Surplus Inventory – Computer Equipment – Action  
The computer equipment includes laptops with Pentium processors having the XP operating system, desktops with 1 GB Ram having the XP operating system (XP is no longer supported), old keyboards that are not USB, and non-functional projectors.

Motion was made by Mr. Fletcher to Approve a resolution to dispose of computer equipment as presented as surplus inventory.

Mr. Alpers entered at 6:57 p.m.

Mr. Goering seconded the motion.

Yeas: Harms, Alpers, Pendleton, Fletcher, Goering.

Nays: None

Absent: Yuska

Motion passed.

### **Communication**

- Board Communications
- Board Highlights-Informational
- Enrollment Summary – Informational
- Tentative 2015-16 Teaching Assignments – Informational  
Jillian Blanchette will assume the position of ELL/Language Arts.
- June 4, 2015 Luncheon for School Staff provided by the School Board.  
– Informational  
Superintendent Boehrsen again asked board members to let her know if they will be attending the luncheon for school staff.
- June 4, 2015 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation at Bradley, Bourbonnais High School at 6:30 p.m. - Informational  
Superintendent Boehrsen again asked board members to let her know if they will be attending the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation.