



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  
November 12, 2015**

Meeting was ***Called to Order*** at 6:38 p.m. by Board President, Darrell Pendleton.

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

Individuals present at ***Roll Call*** other than Board of Education members:  
Helen Boehrsen, Superintendent; John Grill, Comptroller; and Jason Johnson, Treasurer.

A “Moment of Silence” was observed in honor of Board Vice-President, Carl Fletcher.

***Additional Agenda Items*** - None

***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

Mrs. Austin made the motion to approve the ***Consent Agenda***, which included:

- minutes from the Regular Board Meeting, October 8, 2015
- financial reports
- monthly expenditures

Mr. Yuska seconded the motion.

Yeas: Goering, Yuska, Alpers, Austin, and Pendleton.

Nays: None

Absent: Armstrong.

Motion passed.

## **Administrative and Board Committee Reports**

- Superintendent Report – Superintendent Boehrsen  
As of November 12, 2015, the GSA school voucher has been issued. The funds have not been released as of yet. The District has received the 1<sup>st</sup> quarterly categorical payment, but the District is still behind in payments received from the state.

The PTO is presenting the “Polar Express” Winterfest on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Bakers Square Pie Fundraiser will take place from November 5<sup>th</sup> through December 15, 2015. A \$15 gift card can be purchased from the PTO to be used on any given day during this period at Bakers Square.

Five Below is offering a shopping fundraiser to benefit the School with 10% of purchases made November 27-29 and December 18-20, 2015.

Board Members were given information related to the upcoming conference in their packets. Members should also have received confirmation for Friday classes.

- Athletic Report – Addison Goering  
The Boys’ and Girls’ Cross Country teams went to sectionals this year. The girls placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and the boys placed 5<sup>th</sup>. The girls and two of the boys qualified for the State tournament where the girls placed 20<sup>th</sup> out of 24. Mr. Goering stated that he has received many compliments on good behavior of our student athletes.
- Committee Reports  
Finance met 10/27/15. In attendance, Addison Goering, Helen Boehrsen, and John Grill.  
Real estate tax levy information for the upcoming year was discussed and presented at this Board Meeting.

Building copiers are at the end of their lease. Two vendors have provided proposals and support information for new copiers. This information will be provided at the next Board meeting for a determination and copiers will be replaced during winter break

GFS has offered a 1% discount reduction for all orders that are paid within 10 days of receipt.

- Building and Grounds met 10/28/15. In attendance, Thomas Yuska, Helen Boehrsen, and John Grill.  
Snow removal will be provided by Heritage FS. The District has a good relationship with this vendor, and they are very prompt at addressing snow removal needs.

Regarding the parking lot, the District will have additional gravel dropped on the section next to the asphalted roadway next to the School at a cost under \$1,000. Mr. Larry Blanchette will spread the gravel for the District again this year. There is consideration to place poles directly in front of the gravel section in an effort to keep persons from driving in the field and possibly damaging the area.

New Signs “Do Not Park in Front of the Dumpsters” will be placed in the area in front of the dumpsters. Currently when parking is at a premium, cars are parked in front of the dumpsters and the janitorial staff cannot access them when needed. Also, during high winds, cars that are parked in that area are at risk of being damaged by the swinging gate.

Water in the lower level continues to be an issue. Administration is considering plans to remedy this issue. The repairs will be budgeted for next year.

The temporary mobile units have 18 months left on the current 5 year lease. If the District does not sign a new lease, the existing lease renews on an annual basis at the same rate. Space is an issue that will need to be addressed in the event enrollment numbers increase.

- KASEC – Helen Boehrsen  
Ms. Boehrsen attended the meeting which was mostly routine business. The KASEC building may be closed or sold. There was discussion to work with each district on how to possibly move the programs in to the schools that utilize them. There is currently a 200 year lease on the property. There is the possibility that the building and land will be divided into two separate parcels and could be sold separately.

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

- Approve Snow Removal Agreement for the 2015-16 Season – **Action**  
The rates are unchanged from last year. The snow removal rates are \$65 per hour for pick-up truck, \$125 per hour for end loader, \$55 per hour minimum charge for all of the above, and \$65 per hour for snow shoveling (if needed). Salt is market priced and is currently \$110/ton. Last year it was \$140/ton.

**Motion** was made by Mr. Goering to approve the snow removal agreement for the 2015-16 season.

Mr. Yuska made the motion for the second.

Yeas: Goering, Yuska, Alpers, Austin, and Pendleton.

Nays: None.

Absent: Armstrong.

Motion passed.

- Tentative Tax Levy Resolution – **Informational**  
The levy request will be for \$2,223,058 (excluding bond and interest). This is \$102,893 (4.85%) more than the prior year extension. Based on the current information available, the District expects the final levy will be just \$43,855 (2.07%) more than the prior year extension. The projected impact to the owner of a \$200,000 home is a \$35 decrease in their tax bill attributable to St. George.
- Tabling of Illinois School Report Card 2015 – **Action**

**Motion** was made by Mr. Yuska to table the presentation of the School Report Card to the next Board Meeting on December 10, 2015.

Mrs. Austin made the motion for the second.

All Yeas

Nays: None

Absent: Armstrong.

Motion passed.

Mrs. Armstrong entered at 7:30 p.m.

- Consider Creation and Approval of the Title I Reading Tutor Position Part-time—**Action**  
The School has been appropriated more funds than anticipated for Title I this year. The tutoring position will allow the District to free up the current Title I teacher to push more into classrooms and increase teacher capacity while assisting with students in the classrooms. The tutor will work with students in a pull-out arrangement. Qualifications include a 4-year degree with no certifications required. The compensation will be \$15 per hour for 15 hours per week with no benefits provided.

**Motion** was made by Mr. Yuska to consider creation and approval of the Title I Reading Tutor position part-time.

Mrs. Armstrong made the motion for the second.

Yeas: Goering, Yuska, Alpers, Austin, Armstrong, and Pendleton.

Nays: None.

Absent: None

Motion passed.

- Consider Creation and Approval of the Title I Math Tutor Position Part-time – **Action**  
This position is similar to the one described above except that the District currently has no assistance for students in math using Title I funds. The hours and compensation would be as described for the Title I Reading Tutor.

**Motion** was made by Mr. Alpers to consider creation and approval of the Title I Math Tutor position part-time.

Mr. Goering made the motion for the second.

Yeas: Goering, Yuska, Alpers, Austin, Armstrong, and Pendleton.

Nays: None.

Absent: None

Motion passed.

### **Communication**

- Board Communications
- Board Highlights
- Enrollment Summary
- Student Conduct Review
- FOIA Request from Better Government Association for Collective Bargaining Agreement, Administrator Contracts, Budget and Payroll records.

Sympathy for the passing of Carl Fletcher is evident in many areas. IASB Three Rivers Division is planning to honor him with a moment of silence at their next meeting.

- **Motion** to adjourn was made by Mr. Yuska at 7:38 p.m.

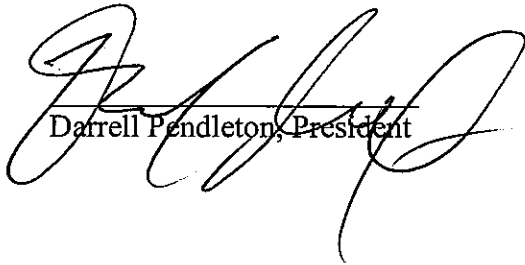
Mrs. Austin seconded the motion.

All Yeas.

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.



Darrell Pendleton, President



Addison Goering, Secretary

