



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
December 10, 2015**

Meeting was ***Called to Order*** at 6:30 p.m. by Board President, Darrell Pendleton.

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

Individuals present at ***Roll Call*** other than Board of Education members:
Helen Boehrsen, Superintendent; Christine Johnston, Principal; Paula Grimes, Special Education Coordinator; John Grill, Comptroller; and Jason Johnson, Treasurer.

Darrell Pendleton asked for nominations for Vice-President. Mr. Alpers nominated Mr. Yuska for Vice-President. There were no other nominations. Mr. Yuska was elected as Vice-President of the School Board.

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

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

- minutes from the Regular Board Meeting, November 12, 2015
- financial reports
- monthly expenditures
- Press Policy 90, First Reading
 - 2:150 Committees
 - 2:200 Types of School Board Meetings
 - 2:220-E2 Motion to Adjourn to Closed Meeting
 - 4:170 Safety
 - 5:90 Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
 - 5:100 Staff Development Program

- .6:15 School Accountability
- 6:50 School Wellness
- 6:160 English Learners - *Renamed*
- 6:315 High School Credit for Students in Grade 7 or 8 – *Material Relocated*
- 6:320 High School Credit for Proficiency - DELETED
- 7:50 School Admissions and Transfers To and From Non-District Schools
- *7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunization; and Exclusion of Students
- 7:130 Student Rights and Responsibilities
- 7:140 Search and Seizure
- 7:290 Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention – *NEW in the District*
- 7:300 Extracurricular Activities
- 7:340 Student Records
- 8:30 Visitors to and Conduct on School Property

- six month review of Closed Session Minutes
- renewal of Property and Casualty Insurance

Mr. Goering seconded the motion.

Yeas: Goering, Yuska, Alpers, and Pendleton.

Nays: None

Absent: Austin and Armstrong.

Motion passed.

• Ms. Armstrong entered at 6:43 p.m.

Administrative and Board Committee Reports

- Superintendent Report – Superintendent Boehrnsen
Ms. Boehrnsen thanked Larry Blanchette who spread gravel in the parking area.

During the Winter Break, the District will be closed ½ day on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, ½ day on New Year’s Eve, and New Year’s Day.

- Principal Report – Principal Johnston
During parent-teacher conferences, grades Kindergarten through Fifth Grade had 91% parent attendance, and Sixth through Eighth Grade had 50% parent attendance.

There was a band concert this week. Some students have been selected for the Honor Band at Olivet, which is new this year.

Children in third grade attended School House Rock, Jr. presented by KVTA.

- Athletic Report – Principal Johnston
7th Grade Volleyball practices started on Monday, December 7, 2015.

6th Grade Boys’ Basketball are finishing the season. The team recently received 3rd place in the St. Paul Tournament and will be competing in a tournament in Peotone starting on Saturday, December 12, 2015.

The 7th & 8th Grade Boys' Basketball are in the midst of successful seasons. The 7th grade team is currently 8-4, and received 3rd place in Aquinas Tournament before Thanksgiving Break. The 8th grade boys' team is 7-2.

The 7th Grade Girls Basketball team won a regional championship before Thanksgiving, but unfortunately fell in the sectional championship game last week to Gardner.

After winning the regional here at St. George, the 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Team competed in sectionals last night defeating Gardner 41-21, and will face Illiopolis on Saturday, December 12, at 11:30 a.m. in Lewistown.

- **Committee Reports - Policy**
Mrs. Armstrong met with the Policy Committee about policies and the process. Policies are placed on a 1st reading, 2nd reading and then adopted.
- **KASEC**
Paula Grimes is working with special education directors and the directors of KASEC. The directors are examining where programs can be housed within member districts. Overhead can be reduced by having the building sold. The director will relocate staff and programs.

Ms. Austin entered the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

Discussion and Possible Action Items

- **Approve Tax Levy Resolution/Certificate of Tax Levy for 2015 – Action**
The Tax Levy must be filed with the County by the last Tuesday in December. The presentation of the levy occurred at the November meeting. The levy request represents a 4.85% increase over last year's extension.

Motion was made by Mr. Yuska to approve the Tax Levy Resolution/Certificate of Tax Levy for 2015.

Mr. Goering made the motion for the second.

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

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

- **Consider and approve District Copier Contract – Action**
The lease is for four Xerox brand copy machines from COTG (Chicago Office Technology Group) for the term of 60 months. Three of the four machines are on a state bid contract. The copiers will be installed over Winter Break.

Motion was made by Mr. Alpers to approve the district copier contract as presented.

Mr. Pendleton made the motion for the second.

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

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

- Approve signatories for bank – **Action**
Current signatories for the bank accounts include Darrell Pendleton, Addison Goering, Thomas Yuska, Helen Boehrsen, Christine Johnston, and Jason Johnson.

Motion was made by Mrs. Austin to approve Thomas Yuska, replacing Carl Fletcher, as a signatory for all bank accounts.

Mr. Alpers made the motion for the second.

All in favor.
Motion passed.

- 2015 Illinois School Report card - **Informational**
Ms. Boehrsen and Mrs. Johnston presented the 2015 Illinois School Report Card. The PARCC is a new assessment for schools.
- Appoint Board Member to fulfill the unexpired term of Carl Fletcher (April, 2017) – **Action**

Motion was made by Mr. Goering to appoint Paula Dykstra as Board Member through April, 2017.

Mr. Alpers made the motion for the second.

All in favor.
Motion passed.

Communication

- Board Communications
- Enrollment Summary
- Holiday Luncheon on December 16, 2015 provided by the School Board and Administration
- FOIA from Kylie Spahn requesting total number of students tested for PARCC, number who refused, and number absent.

Closed Session

Motion was made by Mrs. Armstrong to enter Closed Session at 8:10 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Goering for the purposes of discussing:

- Personnel 5 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.
- Student Placement and Other Matters Relating to Individual Students 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (10). The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students.

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

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

Motion was made by Mr. Goering to return to open session at 8:29 p.m.

Mrs. Armstrong seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion passed.

Action Items

- Approve Extra Duty Assignment for 2015-16 – **Action**

Mr. Pendleton left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Alpers to approve Michelle Sanders as 5th Grade Girls' Basketball coach for FY 2015-16 at a stipend consistent with the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Mrs. Austin made the motion for the second.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: Pendleton

Motion passed.

- Approve Closed Session Minutes from December 10, 2015 – **Action**

Motion was made by Mrs. Austin to approve the Closed Session Minutes from December 10, 2015.

Mr. Goering made the motion for the second.

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

Nays: None.

Absent: Pendleton

Motion passed.

- **Motion** to adjourn was made by Mrs. Austin at 8:32 p.m.

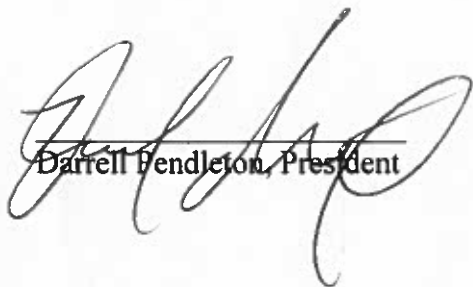
Mrs. Armstrong seconded the motion.

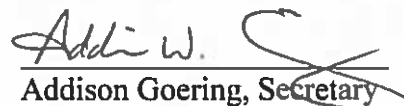
All Yeas.

Nays: None

Absent: Pendleton

Motion passed.


Darrell Pendleton, President


Addison Goering, Secretary