

**SMITHTON COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 130**  
**Smithton, Illinois**  
Regular Board Meeting, February 26, 2019  
MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Board of Education of Smithton Community Consolidated School District No. 130 was held on Tuesday, February 26, 2019, in the cafeteria, 316 South Hickory, Smithton, Illinois 62285.

Mrs. Heidi Etling, Clerk to the Board of Education, recorded minutes.

1. The regular board meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Dale Barschak at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.
3. Roll Call: Mr. Farley, Mr. Trentman, Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. Barschak, and Mr. Lester were all present. Dr. Schwemmer and Mr. Whitworth were absent.
4. Public Forum
  - 4.1 Written Correspondence – none
  - 4.2 Audience Input – none
5. Reports/Requests
  - 5.1 Financial Report – Mrs. Etling presented the FY19 Mid Year Budget Review. She reported that the projected deficit in the ED and O&M funds will be less than the original budget amount. Overall Revenues are tracking at 82% of budget and are projected to be \$82,000 more than last year. The District completed several updating/remodeling projects during the first half of the fiscal year, including moving classrooms, classroom build outs, new gym floor and parking lot repaving.
    - 5.1.1 Finance Committee Report-Mr. Lester reported that the finance committee discussed the district's investment portfolio and recommended to move some money from an existing Money Market Account to a new CD with a 6 month maturity. Also, recommended to transfer \$500,000 in Working Cash Fund balances to a 6 month CD. This will allow the district to earn a higher rate of interest and allow time for the district to evaluate its future cash flow needs and liquidity.
  - 5.2 Principal's Report – Mrs. Norton reported that we had visitors (teachers and principal) from Shiloh School District that came here to observe our school. They were all highly complimentary of our staff and impressed with our school. They had an opportunity to visit classrooms and tour our building. Mrs. Norton reported that this is the 4<sup>th</sup> School District to visit our school this year.
    - 5.2.1 The Character Council presented at the board meeting. One of the council members read a letter from a Veteran thanking Smithton School and Council Members for reaching out and sending letters to him and all the other veterans. This veteran hand delivered his letter of thank you to our school.

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- 5.3 Athletic Director's Report – Mr. Mueth reported that the boys basketball team earned a trophy and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the state finals. The annual girls volleyball “Pink Out” game will be March 11<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. The boys volleyball “Pink Out” game will be on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Mueth said he was also looking at the Coach's Handbook and taking input from the coaches in the district to see if any updates, changes, or clarifications need to be recommended to the board. He also reported that Mr. Sehr was nominated for a very prestigious award, the IABC Boys Jr High Coach of the Year.
- 5.4 Superintendent's Report – Dr. Wamser reported that the county clerk approved Smithton School as an early voting location. Early voting will take place on March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10am-4pm. Dr. Wamser also briefed the board on the updated building plans and gave the board copies of several informational flyers that will be going out to parents and community members over the next several weeks prior to the election. Dr Wamser also mentioned that he and Mr. Frerking met with faculty at SLU and arranged for a Curriculum Study to be conducted by doctoral students overseen by SLU faculty. The study will consist of curriculum mapping, walking the buildings and making recommendations. Freeburg High School, Freeburg Grade School, Smithton School and St. Libory will all participate in this study. There will be no charge to the participants for this study.
6. Consent Agenda Items
  - 6.1 A motion to approve the consent agenda items and additional bills as presented was made by Mr. Trentman, seconded by Mr. Farley and passed unanimously 5-0 with a roll call vote.
7. Unfinished Business- None
8. New Business
  - 8.1 A motion to approve the 2019 Summer School program was made by Mr. Lester, seconded by Mrs. Sutherland and passed unanimously 5-0 with a roll call vote.
9. Informational Items
  - 9.1 Enrollment Report – currently at 548
  - 9.2 Toward World Class Academic Excellence – Positive Points to Ponder – Academic Fair as well as the Daddy Daughter Dance were both well attended and received a lot of positive feedback from many parents participating in these events. Character Council is doing a great job of outreach as evidenced by the thank you letter received from the veteran. The Board expressed gratitude to Dr. Wamser, Mr. Trentman and Mr. Whitworth for their efforts in working with FGM on updating the building plans.

10. Closed Session – none

11. Personnel

- 11.1 A motion to approve the resignation of Laura Ventura, Cougar Care supervisor was made by Mr. Farley, seconded by Mr. Trentman and passed unanimously 5-0.
- 11.2 A motion to approve the employment of non-licensed personnel, Kristina Duffie as a part time playground monitor and Victoria Gravot as a part-time cougar care supervisor was made by Mr. Trentman, seconded by Mrs. Sutherland and passed unanimously 5-0 with a roll call vote.
- 11.3 A motion to approve the employment of Megan Mitchell as full-time music teacher, effective at the start of the 2019-2020 school year was made by Mrs. Sutherland, seconded by Mr. Farley and passed unanimously 5-0 with a roll call vote.
- 11.4 A motion to approve the resignation of Terri Fox, for the purposes of retirement at the end of the 2019-2020 school year was made by Mr. Lester, seconded by Mrs. Sutherland and passed unanimously 5-0.

12. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lester, seconded by Mrs. Sutherland and passed unanimously 5-0 at 7:41 p.m.

  
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President

  
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Secretary