Board of Education REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oak Grove School 6018 W. Lancaster Rd. Bartonville, IL 61607 December 19, 2018 6:00 PM

- 1. Mr. Bender led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Mr. Bender called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- 3. Roll Call Those present were Mr. Heuermann, Mr. Bender, Mrs. Quine, Mr. Fehl, Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Lindsay, and Mrs. Georges. Others in attendance were Ms. Kenzie Hart, Ms. Baughman, and Dr. Baele arrived at 6:47.
- 4. Communications / Presentations The Board of Education received holiday wishes from Better Banks and Unland Insurance Companies. Mr. Bender presented the Soaring Eagle Award to Ms. Kenzie Hart who was nominated by Mrs. Atterberry for her example of an outstanding representative from Oak Grove School within the community theatre.
- 5. Consent Agenda

ACTION: Mrs. Quine made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the November 14th Open & Closed Session, the November Financial Report, as well as the October and November Treasurer's Report, seconded by Mrs. Georges. The motion carried with all in favor.

6. December Bills - Additional Bill

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve the December bills and additional bills through December 31st, 2018, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The motion carried with all aye votes with Mrs. Lindsay abstaining.

- 7. Presentation from Audience on Agenda Items None
- 8. Superintendent's Report Dr. Baele's written report informed the Board of the Village Board meeting that he attended on 12/10/2018 discussing the distribution of surplus funds for the TIF District, the LAA & ROE luncheon he attended on Dec. 7th, and the CIE Health Insurance quarterly meeting. Dr. Baele informed the Board in his report that the SEAPCO administration also presented the initial idea of purchasing the Oak Grove East building to accommodate increased programming needs at the December SEAPCO meeting.
- 9. Principal's Report Ms. Baughman informed the Board of one 2.5 day Out of School Suspension as well as the PTO's Cookies with Santa event which replaced the traditional breakfast with Santa. Ms. Baughman attended the Raising Student Achievement Conference on December 3rd & 4th. The annual K-2 concert was held on December 6th with grade level showcases taking place an hour before the program and the Junior High program was December 18th. Scholastic Bowl and Volleyball are getting started and the 5th-8th grade are planning a service project for the December SIP day in the morning for students to participate in Camden's Comfort, making blankets for NICU babies.

10. Old Business - Discussion Items

a. Board of Education Convention Recap of Sessions – Mr. Bender led the Board of Education members in a discussion about the Board convention sessions that were attended as part of the joint annual conference in Chicago in November.

11. Old Business – Action Items

a. Adopt Resolution of Tax Levy

ACTION: Mrs. Lindsay made the motion to adopt the 2018 levy resolution and truth in taxation statement as presented and to file the levy the documents with the County Clerk, seconded by Mrs. Georges. The motion passed with all aye votes.

b. Resolution abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2018 to pay debt service on the District's General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2017.

ACTION: Mrs. Lindsay presented, Mrs. Georges motioned to approve the resolution abating taxes levied for the year 2018 on the District's General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2017 as presented, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The motion passed with all aye votes.

12. New Business - Discussion Items

- a. Mid-Year Financial Report Dr. Baele provided a written 5-month financial report as compared to the Treasurer's Fund Balance between November 2014 November 2018. Fund balances are slightly increasing due to the continued tax benefit of the TIF closure. Items to close out 18-19 were presented while the 19-20 priorities were also within the report.
- b. 2018-2019 Draft Calendar Dr. Baele informed the Board that due to the changes in the school calendar, there was no draft of the 19-20 calendar. The Board of Education will need to discuss what is considered an attendance day and that the calendar will need to be discussed during negotiations this spring.
- c. Property Tax Relief Grant As part of the Evidence Based Funding formula, 50 million dollars was allocated to the Illinois State Board of Education for the reduction of property taxes at the local level. The Board was presented information on the program and percentages to consider. Dr. Baele provided recommendations for the amount to apply for in order to take advantage of the program while conservatively considering that the State would reimburse 82.5% of the approved amount.
- d. Press Packet #99 Second Reading The Board of Education was reminded of the second reading for Press Packet #99 and to let Dr. Baele know if they had any questions.

13. New Business - Action Item(s)

a. SEAPCO Hiring Survey

ACTION: Mrs. Quine made the motion to approve the SEAPCO Hiring Survey for 2019-20 fiscal and academic years, seconded by Mr. Fehl. The motion passed with all aye votes.

b. Tax Reduction Grant Application

ACTION: Mr. Heuermann made the motion to authorize the application to the Illinois State Board of Education for the Property Tax Relief Grant in the amount of \$250,000 of abated taxes for the 2018 payable 2019-20 tax cycle, seconded by Mr. Taylor. The motion passed with all aye votes.

c. Authorization for Superintendent to perform mid-year audit.

ACTION: Mr. Georges made the motion to authorize the Superintendent to perform a mid-year audit of the financials, seconded by Mrs. Lindsay. The motion passed with all aye votes.

d. Authorization of Cell Phone Reimbursement / Sub-Calling

ACTION: Mrs. Quine made the motion to authorize the reimbursement of \$35.00 per month in cellular service charges for the individual designated as the Oak Grove Sub-Caller for 10 months of the school year, excluding June and July, non-retroactive for 2018-19, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The Board discussed the pro's and con's of providing additional compensation for a job that is already provided a stipend. Dr. Baele informed the Board of Education that the stipend is for the sub-caller's time and the phone reimbursement will free the District from its current phone contract. The motion passed with six votes for and one vote against. The motion carried.

e. Authorize Superintendent to Develop Budget for 2018 - 2019

ACTION: Mr. Quine made the motion to authorize the Superintendent to begin the development of the 2019 – 2020 budget, seconded by Mrs. Georges. The motion carried with all aye votes.

f. Kindergarten Registration Fee Reduction

ACTION: Mr. Heuermann made motion to approve the \$10 reduction in the registration fee for families registering a Kindergartner in the month of February and March, seconded by Mrs. Quine. The motion passed with all aye votes.

14. Closed Session

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion at 6:58 pm to enter into closed session to discuss student discipline, litigation, personnel matters, or the selection of a person to fill a public office as well as the sale or lease of property, seconded Mrs. Quine. Motion carried with all aye votes.

15. Return to Open Session

ACTION: Mrs. Quine made the motion at 7:43 pm to return to open session, seconded Mrs. Georges. Motion carried with all aye votes.

- 16. Action from Closed Session
 - a. None
- 17. Presentation from Audience on Non-Agenda Business None
- 18. Presentation from Board Members on Non-Agenda Business None
- 19. Motion for Adjournment

ACTION: Mrs. Quine made the motion at 7:56 to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The motion passed with all in favor.

Mr. Matthew Bender

Board President

Mr. Chad Taylor

Board Secretary