Board of Education REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oak Grove School 6018 W. Lancaster Rd. Bartonville, IL 61607 December 21, 2022 – 6 pm

- 1. Mr. Bender led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Mr. Bender, Board President.
- 3. Roll Call: Those present at the meeting were Mr. Bender, Mr. Fehl, Mr. Miller, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Strausbaugh and Mr. Heuermann, with Mrs. Quine being absent. Dr. Baele was also in attendance.
- 4. Communications / Presentations Dr. Baele thanked the numerous vendors for their cards and staff appreciation gifts during the holiday season. All the extras were very much appreciated.
- 5. Consent Agenda

ACTION: Mr. Miller made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the November 16th, 2022, Regular and Closed Session Meeting Minutes, the November Financial Report, and the November Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fehl and carried with all in favor.

6. December Bills and bills through December 31, 2021.

ACTION: Mr. Miller made the motion to approve the December bills and any bills needed to be paid prior to the end of December 31, 2022, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. The motion carried with all aye votes.

- 7. Presentation from Audience on Agenda Items None
- 8. Superintendent Report Dr. Baele informed the Board of the current enrollment of the school district as 260 Oak Grove students, 20 additional students in the Bright Futures and ECE classroom, and 12 students served by other district for a total enrollment of 292 students. Dr. Baele discussed the implementation of a District / School Motto. The staff, board, and students will have input into the selection and the final motto will be selected at the January BOE meeting. Information was provided about the holiday break shutdown and abatement taking place. As a follow-up, the issues with SAM.GOV were rectified and completed. Upcoming dates were provided to the board members.
- 9. Director's Report Dr. Baele presented the Director's report. Mrs. Almasi shared about observations from other school districts interested in learning about the new math curriculum. The ELA pilot team will be culminating in January to make a recommendation for curriculum implementation. Mrs. Almasi provided an update on student teachers from ISU and gave a shout out to the teaching staff for creative and engaging instruction leading up to the holidays. Finally, an update on MAP and IAR testing was provided.
- 10. Principal's Report Dr. Baele presented Mr. Bishop's principals report. In his Eagle Spotlight, Mr. Bishop thanked the student council for sponsoring the Holiday Spirit Week with fun themes and activities. He also thanked Mrs. Rademaker for soliciting donations and gifts for a Dojo point raffle that was well received by the students. We also celebrated the success of our 5th-grade students and our JH bands and choir for their excellent performances. We especially thank Mrs. Atterberry for all of her mentoring and guidance this fall. Under school improvement, Mr. Bishop highlighted the work being done to improve student behavior and

increase engagement in classes and will review expectations with students upon return from the holiday recess.

11. Old Business - Discussion Items

- a. Building Committee Recommendation Mr. Fehl, building committee chair, presented the options for the kitchen remodel and changes to the plan being recommended by the building committee.
- b. Press Plus Packet #110 Mr. Bender reminded the BOE that press plus packet #110 was available for the members to review. This was the second reading of press packet #110.
- c. Mid-year Financial Report Dr. Baele provided the Board with the annual mid-year financial reports reflecting treasurer balances as of the end of November since 2014. Fund balances are healthy, and the district is in a strong financial position. The Board has done a wonderful job of coordinating finances over the past 9 years. Projects yet to complete and future projects were also presented and discussed.

12. Old Business – Action Item

- a. RCDG Design Fee Proposal
 - ACTION: Mr. Taylor made a motion, with Mr. Miller seconding, approving the 12% design fee of River City Design Group on the kitchen remodel project and a 10% design fee associated with any HLS projects at Oak Grove School. Motion carried with all aye votes.
- b. Adopt Resolution of Tax Levy
 - **ACTION:** Mr. Heuermann presented and made a motion to adopt the 2022 (for 2023-24) certificate of tax levy, levy resolution, and truth in taxation statement as presented and to file the levy with the County Clerk. Motion was seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh, the motion carried with all aye votes.
- c. Resolution Abating General Obligation School Bonds (Alt. Rev. Source), Series 2017
 - **ACTION**: Whereas Mr. Miller presented, Mr. Taylor read, and Mr. Fehl made motion to abate the taxes levied for the year 2022 to pay debt service on the General Obligation School Bonds (Alt. Rev. Source), Series 2017. Mr. Miller seconded, the motion carried with all aye votes and the resolution being approved.
- d. Authorize Superintendent to Develop Budget for 2023-24
 - **ACTION**: Mr. Miller made the motion to authorize the Superintendent to begin the development of the 2023-2024 budget, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The motion carried with all aye votes.
- e. Kindergarten Registration Fee Reduction
 - ACTION: Mr. Strausbaugh made the motion to reduce by \$10 dollars the registration fee for families registering a kindergarten student in the months of February, March, and April as well as sending notifications via social-media and the website, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The motion carried with all aye votes.
- f. 5th / 6th Grade Basketball Coach

ACTION: Mr. Miller made the motion to employee Alex Furniss as the Oak Grove 5th / 6th grade basketball coach for the 2023 basketball season, seconded by Mr. Fehl. The motion carried with all aye votes.

- 13. Closed Session None
- 14. Presentation from Audience on Non-Agenda Business None
- 15. Presentation from Board Members / Administration on Non-Agenda Business Mr. Bender thanked the members for their service and dedication to the district and wished all a happy holiday season. Dr. Baele discussed a graduation request from parent of an an Oak Grove student served out of district. A board member asked about current recess procedures which will be referred to Mr. Bishop.
- 16. Motion for Adjournment

ACTION: Mr. Fehl made the motion to adjourn at 6:43 pm, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Matthew Bender - Board President

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