

The Sturgeon Board of Education met in a closed session board meeting on Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., followed by a tax rate hearing at 6:45 p.m., and the regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m. Five board members were present: Tim Parkinson, Jill Halliburton, Misty Doss, Denise Flaspohler, Kevin Smith. Absent: Charles King and Heather Dougherty. Others present: Geoffrey Neill, superintendent; John Kruse, High School Principal; Brandee Brown, K-8 Principal; Jeff Carr, Curriculum/Transportation Director; Penny Fadler, Special Education Director; staff members; a Guard reporter and minutes were taken by Peggy Leerhoff, secretary to superintendent and board of education.

The closed meeting was called to order by president, Tim Parkinson, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Misty Doss, seconded by Kevin Smith to go into closed session to discuss personnel in compliance with Mo. Statue 610.021 subsection (3) Personnel, (6) Students, and (13) Personnel Records.

Roll call was taken.

Yeas: Tim Parkinson, Jill Halliburton, Denise Flaspohler, Misty Doss, Kevin Smith

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Misty Doss, seconded Denise Flaspohler to go out of closed session and into the tax rate hearing.

Roll call was taken.

Yeas: Tim Parkinson, Jill Halliburton, Denise Flaspohler, Misty Doss, Kevin Smith

Nays: 0

Geoff Neill, superintendent, submitted to the board the proposed Tax Levy figures for the 2018-19 school year as follows:

Operating fund:	\$3.7784
Debt Service:	<u>\$1.2700</u>
	\$5.0484

This amount reflects the calculation correction being made by the State Auditor's Office. The difference in revenue will be approximately \$5,000.

The opening of the regular session began with everyone present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trace #127 and #160 were removed from the consent agenda.

Motion was made by Kevin Smith, seconded by Misty Doss to approve the consent agenda minus Trace #127 and #160

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Jill Halliburton, seconded by Misty Doss to approve Trace #127 for payment.

Yeas: 4

Nays: 0

Abstain: Denise Flaspohler

Motion was made by Jill Halliburton, seconded by Misty Doss to approve Trace #160 for payment.

Yeas: 4

Nays: 0

Abstain: Kevin Smith

Motion was made by Denise Flaspohler, seconded by Misty Doss to set the 2018-19 school year tax levy as follows:

Operating Fund:	\$3.7784
Debt Service:	<u>\$1.2700</u>
	\$5.0484

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Christine Vaughn, in-coming PTSO president, stated the following individuals will be serving as PTSO officers this year: Tonia Valone, Vice-President; Nicole Miller, Treasurer; LeAnn Ross, Secretary. She invited the board members to help serve food at Meet the Teacher Night on Monday, August 3, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. The annual Fall Fundraiser is scheduled for September 7-17.

John Kruse, High School Principal, stated registration was held yesterday with about 2/3 of the students participating. He anticipates enrollment to be in the 140 area. He shared that two of the individuals who previously requested permission to graduate early have decided not to pursue that path.

Brandee Brown, K-8 Principal, stated after registration it looks like the K-8 building enrollment will remain about the same. She anticipates enrollment to be in the 220 area.

Jeff Carr, Curriculum/Transportation Director, reported as a whole Summer School attendance was slightly higher resulting in a higher ADA. He stated he has all five bus routes covered for the first day of school. The district will have two sub drivers. He presented the board with information on two used buses available for lease purchase. The net price is \$106,500 after the trade-in allowance for the handicapped bus and one older spare bus. They do not come equipped with video cameras. The cost of installation is \$3,600 and will be paid for with REAP funds.

Motion was made by Kevin Smith, seconded by Misty Doss to lease purchase bus T2210 and bus S1413 at actual cost.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Penny Fadler, Special Education Director, stated at present the numbers have not changed much for the upcoming year. The state did not change the current compliance plan so no action is needed by the board at this time.

Motion was made by Kevin Smith, seconded by Misty Doss to adopt the Free/Reduced Lunch Policy Attachments A-P for the 2018-19 school year.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Mr. Neill shared the year end Kelly Services report with the board.

Mr. Neill stated we have water to the track. The Chromebooks arrived and Brian Fike is prepping them for distribution to each building and the Spec Ed department.

Motion was made by Kevin Smith, seconded by Jill Halliburton to approve the auditor requested ASBR bank fee correction of \$26.44 from bond funds.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Kevin Smith, seconded by Jill Halliburton to approve payment of \$10,463.42 to Master Tech Plumbing from bond funds for the installation of the track water line.

Yeas: 4

Nays: 0

Abstain: Denise Flaspohler

Motion was made by Kevin Smith, seconded by Misty Doss to approve payment of \$2,611.26 to Public Water Supply District #10 from bond funds for the track water meter.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Denise Flaspohler, seconded by Misty Doss to approve payment of \$31,001.10 to SHI from bond funds for the purchase of chromebooks, user licenses, and charging carts.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Kevin Smith, seconded by Misty Doss to transfer the actual ending bond fund balance into Fund 3 Debt Service. This will be approximately \$2,605.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Mr. Neill stated he had recently met with representatives of Central Bank of Boone County. The district is currently being charged a discounted rate for banking fees. In order to be good stewards of our funds, we will be going out for bid this year. He shared with the board that the district funds are in a sweep account that is invested nightly. The interest earned is deposited into our account the next morning.

Mr. Neill shared the monthly maintenance report. The floors have all been waxed, Cintas has performed the annual fire inspection, and emergency exit lights have been replaced with LED bulbs.

Mr. Neill also shared a report from the Athletic Director. We currently have 13 baseball players and 14 softball players for the 2018-19 Fall season.

Mr. Neill shared that the district has an opportunity to change all our lighting over to LED lighting. The exchange program is through Ameren. He is currently working with Butler Supply to complete the application process. This exchange could save the district approximately \$117,000 over the next 10 years on our utility bills. The initial investment of \$8,000 will be recouped in 6-12 months. The board stated they would like for Mr. Neill to pursue this opportunity. He will continue to give updates as they become available.

Motion was made by Misty Doss, seconded by Denise Flaspohler to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

_____ Tim Parkinson, president

_____ Peggy Leerhoff, secretary