

SULLIVAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
August 10, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sullivan Community Unit School District No. 300 of Moultrie, Shelby, and Coles Counties, Illinois was duly called and held on August 10, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., at the Sullivan High School Commons within the boundaries of said District.

President White called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call – Present: Florey, Green, Grooms, Stollard, Wood White

Roll Call – Absent: Horn

Citizens Non-Agenda Items: None

Informational Items: President White opened the hearing regarding the district's e-learning plan. Superintendent Walk reviewed the e-learning plan with the Board. President White closed the hearing.

Horn arrived at 6:34 p.m.

Consent Agenda: **Motion by Grooms, seconded by Stollard, to approve the following items on Consent Agenda:**

Minutes of the July 13 and July 30, 2020 regular meeting.

Authorized bills totaling \$201,150.42; and, the treasurer's report.

Upon roll call, all voted yea.

Action Items: **Approval of E-Learning Plan –** Superintendent Walk presented a district-wide E-Learning Plan which will permit student instruction to be received electronically while students are not physically present, in lieu of emergency days. Wood moved the Board approve the E-Learning Plan as presented. Green seconded. On roll call, all voted yea.

Adoption of Resolution to Approve 2020-2021 Re-opening Plan – Superintendent Walk stated that the Illinois Association of School Administrators is recommending districts adopt a formal resolution to re-open schools. Stollard moved that the Board adopt the Resolution to Approve the 2020-2021 Re-opening plan as presented. Grooms seconded. On roll call, all voted yea.

Approval of Health, Life, Safety Amendment – Superintendent Walk requested the Board approve a health, life, safety amendment to repair exterior masonry and drainage issues at Sullivan Elementary School. The projects are estimated to cost \$88,800 and \$20,050 respectively. Stollard moved that the Board approve the health, life, safety amendment as presented. Florey seconded. On roll call, all voted yea.

Authorize Superintendent to Seek Bids for SES Exterior Building Repairs – Superintendent Walk stated that the elementary school is in need of maintenance to the exterior of the building. Repairs would include tuck pointing and window sealant joints; new guttering; underground downspouts and new paint for all exterior doors and windows. Florey moved that the Board authorize the Superintendent to seek bids for exterior building and drainage repairs. Grooms seconded. On roll call, all voted yea.

Approved the Second Reading and Adoption of Policies 2:110 Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers; 2:140, Communications to and from the Board; 2:230, Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board; 4:20, Fund Balances; 5:180, Temporary illness or Temporary Incapacity; 6:340, Student Testing and Assessment Program – Stollard moved that the Board approve the second reading and of policies as presented. Seconded by Green. On roll call, all voted yea.

Personnel Report – Florey moved, seconded by Wood, that the Board approve the personnel report. On roll call, all voted yea.

<u>Resignations</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Diane Cole	Paraprofessional	07/30/2020
Jessie Warren	Paraprofessional	07/31/2020
Darian Sparrow	Paraprofessional/Bus Driver	08/05/2020
Brandon Gilbert	Custodian	05/19/2020

Notice of Retirement

Mary Ann Portwood	Secretary	12/31/2020
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New Hires

Candi Cole	Cafeteria Staff	08/10/2020
Jessica Ekiss	Cafeteria Staff	08/10/2020
Amy Hemrich	Cafeteria Staff	08/10/2020
Ashley Jungiewicz	Cafeteria Staff	08/10/2020
Sarah Camp	Early Childhood Teacher	08/10/2020

Transfer of Employment

Erin Donovan	Transfer from full-time paraprofessional to part-time paraprofessional	08/17/2020
Andy Wagner	Transfer from paraprofessional To substitute teacher	08/10/2020

IESA/IHSA Program Volunteers

Andy Wagner	MS Golf	08/10/2020
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Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Walk addressed staffing stating that certified staff positions have been filled. Because of the remote learning option, some paraprofessional positions will not be filled. The need for substitute teachers is great. The district is reaching out to increase our number of substitute teachers.

Superintendent Walk stated teachers and students are preparing for in-person learning. Teachers, staff, and administration have worked diligently to ensure that classes can resume while following Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and social distancing guidelines. Families have been given the option for in-person learning or remote learning. A very large concern is that the IDPH or Illinois State Board of Education could require us to return to district-wide remote learning. Administration has built remote learning days into the school calendar hoping to find and resolve any issues prior to being required to resume remote learning.

Superintendent Walk stated that lunch procedures have changed in all buildings. Each building has more lunch periods and eating spaces allowing students to eat in smaller groups in several areas throughout the building. Students will still be offered several different meal choices.

Stollard asked what will happen when the district has its first positive case. Walk stated that he would consult with the health department and they would make a recommendation on how the district should proceed.

Adjournment:

Being no further business before the Board at this time, there was a motion made by Florey, and seconded by Stollard, to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. On roll call, all voted yea.

Jeff White, President

Erik Stollard, Secretary