

P R O C E E D I N G S  
BOARD OF EDUCATION NO. 600  
SALEM COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023  
7:00 P.M. SCHS BOARD ROOM

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District #600 was called to order by President Eric Bandy at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, November 13, 2023. Board members present were Eric Bandy, Marla Tolliver, Kyle Gansauer, Mike McKinzie, Sarah Meador, Shawn Morris, and Joe Telford. Board members absent were – None.

Administrators present: Superintendent Detering, Principal Boles and Asst. Principal Wolfe.

Visitors Present: Melissa Cantrell, SCHS Girls' Golf Coach, Craig Vieira, SCHS Volunteer Girls' Golf Coach, Anneliese Aaron, Brenna Hays, Taylor Ice, Kylie Johnson, Makenzie Mann, Alyssa Paul, Mya Russell, Kiley Vieira, Cathlina Berry, Helping Our Teens Survive, JoAnn Avants, Martha Berry, Josh Berry, Blair Gordon, Luna Gordon, Kasen Engel, Tiffany Gordon, and reporters from Salem Times Commoner, Centralia Sentinel and WJBD Radio.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

The minutes from the regular Board meeting on October 16, 2023, were approved as read.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA– There were no adjustments to the Agenda.

PRESENTATION OF GIRLS' GOLF TEAM – Supt. Detering introduced the Girls' Golf Coach, Melissa Cantrell and Volunteer Coach Craig Vieira and the girls golf team. Supt. Detering stated that their outstanding season resulted in a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish at the IHSA 1A State Championship Golf Match. Coach Vieira provided an overview of their season this year. He stated that the girls were undefeated in the regular season, 1<sup>st</sup> place in 3 of the 4 tournaments they competed in, won 1<sup>st</sup> place at conference and regionals, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Sectional and 5<sup>th</sup> place at State. Dr. Detering stated that the girls placed as follows at State: Taylor Ice 23<sup>rd</sup>, Mya Russell 29<sup>th</sup>, Alyssa Paul 40<sup>th</sup>, Jaryn Haarmann 54<sup>th</sup>, and Kylie Johnson 75<sup>th</sup>.

PUBLIC FORUM– Supt. Detering introduced Cathlina Berry from Helping Our Teens Survive (HOTS) to the Board. Cathlina Berry provided information to the Board regarding HOTS and offered to provide pamphlets and any assistance needed to the school. Discussion was held.

COMMUNICATIONS – Supt. Detering presented the Board with a letter of retirement from Christy Gallatin as Principal's Secretary and a letter of resignation from Steve Baker as boys' soccer coach.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM PRINCIPAL'S SECRETARY

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Shawn Morris to accept a letter of retirement from Christy Gallatin as Principal's Secretary effective December 1, 2023.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM BOYS' SOCCER COACH

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Marla Tolliver to accept a letter of resignation from Steve Baker as the boys' soccer coach.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – Supt. Detering reported that the Curriculum Committee met at the end of October. Mr. Boles, Sarah Meador, and Marla Tolliver attended the meeting. Principal Boles reported that 9 students are involved in the Co-op program, receiving firsthand experience in a career at a local business. Local businesses involved in the program include Marion County Farm Bureau, Blooming Creations, Clay County Hospital, Forbes State Park, Rural King, Bettendorf Stanford, Marion County Savings Bank, Custom Accounting, and Marion County Sherriff. Other businesses showing interest in the Co-op include Americana, Salem Tire Center, Salem Township Hospital and NAL. He reported that Mr. Pokojski is doing a great job working with the businesses and checking on attendance. Principal Boles stated that Chad Bryan took 14 students on a field trip to Lander's Opening in Mt. Vernon. He expressed appreciation to Roy Landers, Chase Landers and Cory Thorsen. Principal Boles also reported that we have 4 students involved in the CEO Program where students are required to come up with their own business plan. Board Member Sarah Meador expressed concerns for the need of dual credit teachers for the science department and would like to see environmental science added to the list of dual credit courses. Discussion was held concerning requirements and possible incentives for teachers involved with dual credit courses. Principal Boles reported that CEO Students Jairen Stroud & Jacob Thrash will be here at the December meeting to discuss their experience.

MOTION: TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to receive the treasurer's report and file it for audit.

Vote: Gansauer-yes; Morris-yes; Meador-yes; Bandy-yes; McKinzie-yes; Telford-yes; Tolliver-yes. Motion carries.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve payment of the bills as presented.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Telford-yes; Gansauer-yes; Meador-yes; Morris-yes; Bandy-yes; Tolliver-yes. Motion carries.

TENTATIVE TAX LEVY FOR 2023

Supt. Detering stated that we will submit the final tax levy at the December Board Meeting. We need to adopt a tentative tax levy and determine as to whether or not we will need a truth in taxation hearing. Supt. Detering reported that on November 2 he met with County Clerk Stave Fox and County Assessor Mark Miller and we received the preliminary numbers from the County Clerk's office including new property and increase in values. He is recommending a 6.75% increase to the tax levy, which would require a truth in taxation hearing. Discussion was held.

MOTION: TO ADOPT A TENTATIVE TAX LEVY FOR 2023

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to adopt a tentative Tax Levy for 2023 not to exceed 6.75% and set a Truth-In-Taxation hearing for December 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Vote: Gansauer-yes; Bandy-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-no; Tolliver-yes; McKinzie-yes; Morris-yes. Motion carries

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

ASST. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Asst. Principal Wolfe presented the attendance report for the month of October, showing 93.81% ADA. AP Wolfe also reported the following activity for the Month of October: 148 contacts with 115 different students, including 32 general conferences with 30 students. Disciplinary consequences were: 11 lunch detentions for 10 students; 11 after school detentions for 11 students; 19 Crisis Classes for 19 students; 4 Saturday Schools for 3 students; and 6 out of school suspensions for 6 students. Discussion was held.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Principal Boles presented information to the Board about the School Report Card. He stated that our overall rating is Commendable. Discussion was held.

Principal Boles reported that the Fall Play, "Mid Summers Night Dream" will have shows Thursday thru Saturday at 7 p.m. He stated that the canned food drive will end next Monday and thanked Meador Boys Trucking for providing a truck and driver to transport the food collected to the Salem Community Activity Center Food Pantry. He reported that the Fast Friday held last week started with 232 students at the beginning of the week down to 128 by the time Friday came around.

Principal Boles provided tournament brackets for the girls' basketball team at DuQuoin starting tonight through November 18; and the boys' basketball team at the Lawrenceville

Capital Classic on November 24 & 25, playing Ttown at Red Hill at 12:30 on Friday November 24. He asked Supt. Detering to update us on the boys' bowling team. Supt. Detering reported the boys' bowling team participated in the Herrin Tournament. Junior Silas Moats won 1<sup>st</sup> place overall, Rhett Detering placed 4<sup>th</sup> and the Team placed 2<sup>nd</sup>. They also competed in the Collinsville Tournament last weekend. Varsity results included Silas Moats receiving 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Rhett Detering 5<sup>th</sup>, Ryan Detering 17<sup>th</sup> and Dominick Winkler 24<sup>th</sup> and Keaton Gullion 28<sup>th</sup>. The JV team received 9<sup>th</sup> place overall. We will be hosting a Varsity and JV Boys' Bowling Tournament on Saturday, November 18.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – BOARD BILLS – Supt. Detering reported that a portion of the invoice for paid to Ameresco will be moved to Health Life Safety Funds for the FY23 matching grant for the School Maintenance Grant. SCHOOL MAINTENANCE GRANT – Supt. Detering reported that the State has another \$50,000 matching competitive grant for FY24. We already have plans for replacement of stair treads as a part of the summer 2024 renovation of the hallway lockers, floor tiles, stair treads, painting and indoor room signage. He stated that we would use the Health Life Safety funds fund to pay for our matching funds. BUS BARN - Supt. Detering reported that Benny Sherman, Sherman Bus, is interested in selling the property on 101 Sanger to us for \$50,000. The building is not in great shape and I need to add that the A/C needs to be replaced. Discussion was held. REEL MOWER – Supt. Detering reported that we are looking at the purchase of a used reel mover to upgrade out equipment. Our current mower needs new reels and it is difficult to get parts for because of the age. He stated that they are looking at used ones and the cost is \$35,000 to \$45,000 and requested authorization from the board to move forward with a purchase when a mower becomes available. Discuss was held and the Board did give Supt. Detering authorization to do so.

MOTION: TO APPROVE FY2023 SCHOOL MAINTENANCE GRANT

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Shawn Morris to approve the FY2024 School Maintenance Grant.

Vote: Morris-yes; Gansauer-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes; Tolliver-yes; McKinzie-yes; Bandy-yes. Motion carries

SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION – Supt. Detering stated that November 15 is Board Member Appreciation Day and Mrs. Green, Mrs. Risley and the FCS Foods Classes prepared a chocolate cake and cookies.

MOTION: TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Marla Tolliver to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the employment, performance, and compensation of specific personnel and the purchase of real estate at 8:03 p.m.

Vote: Tolliver-yes; Telford-yes; Meador-yes; Bandy-yes; Gansauer-yes; McKinzie-yes; and Morris-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to return to open session at 8:39 p.m.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

TIF2 EXTENTION – Supt. Detering stated that Leah Della Dellicarpini with the City of Salem Economic Development emailed him regarding coming to a board meeting in December or January to talk about the TIF2 Extension. He stated he did request information on the money that came in and what it was spent on. Discussion was held.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Eric Bandy to adjourn the regular November Board meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

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(Date Approved)

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(Board President)

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(Board Secretary)