

P R O C E E D I N G S
BOARD OF EDUCATION NO. 600
SALEM COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
REGULAR MEETING – SCHS BOARD ROOM #114
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021
7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the of the Board of Education District #600 was called to order by President Eric Bandy at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, February 22, 2021. Board members present were Eric Bandy, Marla Tolliver, Kyle Ambuehl, Diane Eller, Mike McKinzie, Sarah Meador and Joe Telford. Board members absent were – none.

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

Visitors Present: Tyler Vincent, Stacey King, Alex Tate, Ben Ryan, Keyton King, Angela Vincent, Brian Hills, Cindy Nix, James Russell, Roger Hunter, Nathaniel Green, Mark Simmons, Tom Petrillo, Noah Haynes, Sharon Meyer, Nicolas Donoho, Brian Camp, Tommy Camp, Preston Camp, Jeron Balazi, Killian Merrell, David Ramirez, Rob Ring, and reporters from Salem Times Commoner, Centralia Sentinel and WJBD Radio.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The minutes of the Regular Meeting on Monday, January 24, 2022, were approved as presented.

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

PUBLIC FORUM – No one requested to address the Board during Public Forum.

COMMUNICATIONS – Supt. Detering reported he received a letter of resignation from Kari Thackrey as Family and Consumer Science Teacher effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; and a letter of retirement from Steve Schumpert as a bus driver effective August 1, 2022.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE TEACHER

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Mike McKinzie to accept a letter of resignation from Kari Thackrey as Family and Consumer Science Teacher effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Tolliver-yes; Bandy-yes; Ambuehl-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes; Eller-yes. Motion carries.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM SCHOOL BUS DRIVER

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to accept a letter of retirement from Steve Schumpert as school bus driver effective August 1, 2022.

Vote: Ambuehl-yes; Tolliver-yes; Bandy-yes; McKinzie-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes; Eller-yes. Motion carries.

PRESENTATION FROM THE SALEM WRESTLING CLUB – Supt. Brad Detering introduced Tyler Vincent from the Salem Wrestling Club. Mr. Vincent presented a proposal to the Board to start a Wildcat Wrestling Team. He provided information including numbers of students interested in the program, costs of the program, program structure and opportunities for wrestlers as well as life lesson benefits. Discussion was held.

RETURN TO LEARN PLAN – Supt. Detering provided the Board with a copy of the SCHS Amended Return to Learn Plan and Continuity of Services 2021-22. He reviewed the Plan and discussion was held.

MOTION: APPROVE SCHS AMENDED RETURN TO LEARN PLAN

Motion was made by Diane Eller and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve the SCHS Amended Return to Learn Plan and Continuity of Services 2021-22.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Tolliver-yes; Bandy-yes; Ambuehl-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes; Eller-yes. Motion carries.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Supt. Detering reported the Finance Committee met on February 17 to discuss the budget, treasurer's reports, and being able to fund additional building projects for this summer. Discussion was held.

MOTION: APPROVE DECEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Kyle Ambuehl and seconded by Joe Telford to receive the December, 2021, treasurer's report and file it for audit.

Vote: Telford-yes; Bandy-yes; Ambuehl-yes; McKinzie-yes; Meador-yes; Tolliver-yes; Eller-yes. Motion carries.

MOTION: APPROVE JANUARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Marla Tolliver to receive the January, 2022, treasurer's report and file it for audit.

Vote: Tolliver-yes; Bandy-yes; Ambuehl-yes; McKinzie-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes; Eller-yes. Motion carries.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

Supt. Detering reported that bills for bus maintenance have increased and that we are looking into other possibilities for repairs. We also had a large invoice because we had to contract out snow removal due to the fact that we still have not received the truck that has been on order. We now have a May delivery date on the truck that should be able to help with this cost in the future.

Vote: Meador-yes; Eller-yes; Bandy-yes; McKinzie-yes; Ambuehl-yes; Telford-yes; Tolliver-yes. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

ASST. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Asst. Principal Wolfe presented the attendance report for the month of January at 90.16%. During the month of January, he reported 43 student contacts with 41 different students which includes 13 general conferences with 12 students. In collaboration with Student Services there were 2 mediations with 2 students. Disciplinary consequences were: 3 lunch detentions for 3 students; 1 after school detention to 1 student; 17 crisis classes to 16 students; 3 Saturday Schools for 3 students; and 4 out of school suspensions for 4 students.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Principal Boles reported this Friday, March 4, we will host a blood drive, open to the public, in the small gym from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday will also be a Fast Friday so that students can work on improving their grades.

Principal Boles reported that Coach Colclasure and the Boys' basketball team had a successful season. He reported that Gavin Zimmerman and Brandan Phillips both qualified to move on to the Sectional 3-point contest; the Girls' Bowling team finished 7th at State. Congratulations to the Girls' Bowling team members Sarah Sauter, Abby Cunningham, Keelie Gass, Jaeda Rollinson, Elena VanHoutin & Shelby Martin. The SCHS Swim Team competed in the Sectional. Branson Pappas dropped his times in both his events. He received 8th place in the 100 yard butterfly and 100 yard free style. Alek Bandy performed his personal best times in his events. He received 2nd place in the 500 yard free style and 3rd place in the 200 yard free style. Alek will advance to the State YMCA competition and if he hits the times he will go to Nationals in North Carolina. Principal Boles announced that we will be hosting the Esports YMCA Tournament on March 5 as well as the first IHSA Esports Sectional Tournament on April 23.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – AMENDMENT TO PERFORMANCE

CONTRACT WITH AMERESCO – Supt. Detering presented Amendment #11 to the performance contracting that includes HVAC replacement for the vocation buildings,

occupancy sensors to go with the lighting project, and the rolling window shading for all classrooms where windows are replaced. SCHOOL CALENDAR – Supt. Detering presented the Board with an amended school calendar to show days that we have taken for inclement weather and changing March 17 to a ½ day for school improvement. There is some required training that we need to get in regarding threats of school violence. The Threat Assessment Team will be training the entire staff. The final calendar may need to be approved again later this Spring if we have more changes. GRADUATION – Supt. Detering is recommending setting graduation for Sunday, May 15 at 2:00 p.m. SENIORITY LISTS – Supt. Detering presented the Board with seniority lists for the SCHS Support Personnel Association, non-certified and certified employees and stated that the Board will need to approve the lists. DECLARE EXCESS PROPERTY – Supt. Detering reported that by April we will need to declare excess equipment because we will be purchasing a new lawn mower and will have 2 older mowers we will not longer need. ECONOMIC INTEREST FORMS – Supt. Detering reported that the new Economic Interest Forms will be due on May 1. Because of changes to the form, new guidelines will be coming out as to how to complete the forms. As soon as we receive this information it will be forwarded to the Board and Administration. ALL CLASS REUNION – Supt. Detering stated that the All Class Reunion will be held on April 8, 9 & 10. Activities at SCHS will be on Saturday, April 9 that includes an All-Class Variety Show.

MOTION: CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made at 8:12 p.m. by Eric Bandy and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to enter into closed session for the purpose of reviewing closed session minutes, and the employment, performance, and compensation of specific personnel.

Vote: Ambuehl-yes; Eller-yes; Meador-yes; Bandy-yes; Telford-yes; Ambuehl-yes; Tolliver-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion was made at 9:21 p.m. by Eric Bandy and seconded by Mike McKinzie to return to Open Session of the Regular February Board Meeting.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carries.

MOTION: TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Motion was made by Diane Eller and seconded by Sarah Meador to approve the closed session minutes of the January 24, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO APPROVE AMENDED SCHOOL CALENDAR

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to approve the FY22 Amended School Calendar.

Vote: Ambuehl-yes; Tolliver-yes; Eller-yes; Bandy-yes; McKinzie-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO SET GRADUATION DATE

Motion was made by Marla Tolliver and seconded by Sarah Meador to set the date for graduation for May 15, 2022 at 2:00 P.M.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: APPROVE CERTIFIED SENIORITY LIST

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve the Certified Seniority List.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: APPROVE SCHSSPA AND NON-CERTIFIED SENIORITY LISTS

Motion was made by Diane Eller and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve the SCHSSPA and Non-Certified Seniority Lists.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: APPROVE AMENDMENT #11 TO PERFORMANCE CONTRACT WITH AMERESCO

Motion was made by Kyle Ambuehl and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve Amendment #11 to the performance contracting agreement with Ameresco.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Eller-yes; Bandy-yes; Ambuehl-yes; Tolliver-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: EMPLOY GIRLS' SOCCER COACH

Motion was made by Diane Eller and seconded by Sarah Meador to employ Elizabeth Barnett as girls' soccer coach.

Vote: Meador-yes; Eller-yes; Bandy-yes; Ambuehl-yes; McKinzie-yes; Tolliver-yes; Telford-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: EMPLOY ASSISTANT GIRLS' TRACK COACH

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Marla Tolliver Meador to employ Saegan Phillips as the assistant girls' track coach.

Vote: Tolliver-yes; Eller-yes; Bandy-yes; Ambuehl-yes; McKinzie-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: EMPLOY ASSISTANT CROSS-COUNTRY COACH

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to employ Saegan Phillips as assistant cross-country coach.

Vote: Ambuehl-yes; Eller-yes; Bandy-yes; Tolliver-yes; McKinzie-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-yes. Motion carried.

SCHOOL VEHICLES – Board Member Marla Tolliver asked about the new truck. Supt. Detering reported that the new truck should be ready in May. Also, South Bus & Mobility tells us that the new white bus should be ready mid-May to April and Midwest Bus reports that the new regular buses should be ready

BASS FISHING TEAM – Board Member Kyle Ambuehl asked about the Bass Fishing Team as to whether it will continue. Supt. Detering reported that Scott Steward had been volunteering as the coach. Discussion was held.

MENTAL HEALTH DAYS – Board Member Joe Telford asked about mental health days for employees. Supt. Detering reported that there is a bill out there regarding this; however, it has not passed. Discussion was held.

SNOW REMOVAL – Board Member Joe Telford brought up snow removal. He was able to clear the back road; however, he could not do the parking lot because his equipment was too big. Supt. Detering reported that in the future we might consider renting equipment from Fabick. Discussion was held.

WRESTLING TEAM – Board Member Sarah Meador asked about the Wrestling Team and funding. Board President Eric Bandy stated that we had told them how we did other teams when they were starting. It will be up to the Board as to how we move forward with the Wrestling Team. Sarah Meador just want to make sure that they know if they need anything from the school or the SCHS Booster Club, to ask for it. We will try to make sure they have everything they need. Discussion was held.

MOTION: ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Kyle Ambuehl and seconded by Eric Bandy to adjourn the regular February Board meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

(Date Approved)

(Board President)

(Board Secretary)