

P R O C E E D I N G S  
BOARD OF EDUCATION NO. 600  
SALEM COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022  
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 14, 2022. Board members present were Eric Bandy, Marla Tolliver, Kyle Ambuehl, Diane Eller, Sarah Meador, and Joe Telford. Board members absent were – Mike McKinzie.

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

Visitors Present: Jordan Haarman from Affordable Gas and Electric 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 17, 2022, was approved as read.

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

PUBLIC FORUM– There was no one present requesting to speak to the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS – Supt. Detering presented the Board with a letter of resignation from Randall Knaak as assistant girls’ basketball coach.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM ASST. GIRLS’ BASKETBALL COACH

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Diane Eller to accept a letter of resignation from Randall Knaak as assistant girls’ basketball coach.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICY COMMITTEE – Supt. Detering presented a first reading for an addition to policy 7.70 regarding attendance and truancy.

MOTION: TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to receive the treasurer's report and file it for audit.

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

MOTION: APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

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

TENTATIVE TAX LEVY FOR 2022

Supt. Detering stated that we will submit the final tax levy at the December Board Meeting. He reported that 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 we received the preliminary numbers from the County Clerk's office. He is recommending a 6.8% increase to the tax levy, which would require a truth in taxation hearing. The CPI is around 7%. Discussion was held.

MOTION: TO ADOPT A TENTATIVE TAX LEVY FOR 2022

Motion was made by EricMike McKinzie and seconded by Eric Bandy to adopt a tentative Tax Levy for 2022 not to exceed 6.8% and set a Truth-In-Taxation hearing for December 19, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Vote: Bandy-yes; Eller-yes; Meador-yes; Telford-no; Tolliver-yes; Ambuehl-yes.  
Motion carries

MOTION: TO APPROVE REPAYMENT OF INTERFUND LOAN FROM WORKING CASH FUND TO TORT FUND

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Sarah Meador to approve repayment of \$150,000 loan from Working Cash to Tort Fund.

Vote: Meador-yes; Eller-yes; Bandy-yes; Telford-no; Tolliver-yes; Ambuehl-yes.  
Motion carries

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

ASST. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Asst. Principal Wolfe presented the attendance report for the month of October, showing 92.76% ADA. AP Wolfe also reported the following activity for the Month of October: 130 contacts with 115 different students, including 19 general conferences with 19 students; 2 AP/Student Services Mediations. Disciplinary consequences were: 5 lunch detentions for 4 students; 6 after school detentions for 6

students; 22 Crisis Classes for 20 students; 2 Saturday Schools for 2 students; and 16 out of school suspensions for 13 students. Discussion was held.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – Principal Boles reported that we had 3 of our teachers, Trina Green, Drew Johnson and Kelsey Pogue, take 73 senior students on a field trip to Kaskaskia College for a College & Career Fair Day. Students were able to attend 5 sessions about different programs and take a tour of the campus. Principal Boles reported that the Fall Play performances of “Alice in Wonderland” were held last weekend and will be this Thursday, Friday and Saturday. He stated that there are over 50 students involved this in the production this year along with Drew Johnson and Matt Donoho.

Principal Boles provided tournament brackets for the girls’ basketball team at DuQuoin and the boys’ basketball team at the Lawrenceville Capital Classic. Bowling and Wrestling seasons are underway. He asked Supt. Detering to update us on the boys’ bowling team. Supt. Detering reported the boys’ bowling team participated in the Collinsville Tournament. Varsity finished 4<sup>th</sup> and JV finished 9<sup>th</sup> out of 30 teams. Dominick Winkler finished 10<sup>th</sup> overall in the tournament and Ryan Detering bowled a 258 in one game, which was the 10<sup>th</sup> highest game in the tournament. The week before they were at the Herrin Tournament, which the team won by 300 pins. Salem will bowl at home Saturday in the Salem Tournament.

ELECTRIC AGGREGATION – Supt Detering introduced Jordan Haarman from Affordable Gas and Electric. Our electric aggregation contract comes up in March, so we are looking at locking in rates. Mr. Haarman discussed the electric aggregation contract that is set for approval. He stated energy prices are going to remain high for the foreseeable future. He stated they are recommending locking in rates for a period of 36 months with Homefield Energy at 10.7 cents per kwh in addition to Ameren delivery rates. He also gave a presentation on looking at an RFP for a solar energy program. Discussion was held.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – COURSE DESCRIPTION BOOK – Supt. Detering presented the Board with an updated Course Description Book. Discussion was held.

EARLY GRADUATES - Supt. Detering reported that we are looking approving a list of early graduates, pending successful completion of all graduation requirement.

TRUCK CANCELLATION – Supt. Detering reported that Ford Motor Company canceled our order for the gas F250 truck for just under \$35,000. Schmidt Ford is upset about this as are we. We are reaching out to local dealerships to look for something to satisfy our needs. Discussion was held.

#### MOTION: TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Motion was made by Kyle Ambuehl and seconded by Joe Telford to approve the October 17, 2022 closed session minutes.

Vote: 6 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO APPROVE COURSE DESCRIPTION BOOK FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Diane Eller to approve the Course Description Book for the 2023-2024 School Year.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE 7<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER GRADUATION REQUESTS

Motion was made by Diane Eller and seconded by Sarah Meador to approve 7<sup>TH</sup> semester graduation requests pending successful completed of all graduation requirements.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE ELECTRIC AGGREGATION CONTRACT WITH HOMEFIELD ENERGY

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to approve an Electric Aggregation Contract with Affordable Gas and Electric for electric aggregation with Homefield Energy as the supplier at a rate of .1114.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE SCHOOL MAINTENANCE GRANT

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Marla Tolliver to approve the FY23 School Maintenance Grant.

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

MOTION: TO APPOINT BOARD PRESIDENT TO PRESIDE OVER STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to appoint Board President Eric Bandy to preside over a student discipline hearing.

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

MOTION: TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Kyle Ambuehl and seconded by Diane Eller to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing student discipline at 8:20 p.m.

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

MOTION: RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Sarah Meador to return to open session at 8:40 p.m.

Vote: 6 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: THAT STUDENT IS GUILTY OF AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR AND GROSS DISOBEDIENCE AND MISCONDUCT

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Marla Tolliver that student #23000117 is guilty of an act of school violence as outlined in the school handbook and guilty of gross disobedience and misconduct as outlined in Salem community High School Board of Education policy #7.190.

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

MOTION: TO RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Sara Meador to return to closed session for the purpose of hearing arguments related to the consequences for the actions of student #23000117 at 8:42 p.m.

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

MOTION: TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl to return to open session at 8:45 p.m.

Vote: 6 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: THAT STUDENT BE EXPELLED

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Kyle Ambuehl that student #23000117 having been found guilty of an act of school violence as outlined in the school handbook and guilty of gross disobedience and misconduct as outlined in Salem community High School Board of Education policy #7.190 by physically assaulting another student and bringing a weapon to school, be expelled from school, school grounds, and any school activity for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year and the 2023-2024 school year.

During this time, student #23000117 will be given the opportunity to complete the necessary coursework remotely to graduate from Salem Community High School.

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

#### STUDENT LUNCHESES

Board Member Diane Eller asked about student lunches and what happens if a student can't afford to pay for their lunches. Dr. Detering explained that students are not refused regular type A student lunch; however, once a students account is over \$10 negative, we do require payment for any extra items. Discussion was held.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Board President Eric Bandy adjourned the regular November Board meeting at 8:50 p.m.

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(Date Approved)

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(Board Secretary)