

P R O C E E D I N G S
 BOARD OF EDUCATION NO. 600
 SALEM COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
 REGULAR MEETING – CAFETERIA
 MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023
 7:00 P.M.

2023 TAX LEVY PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing on the 2023 Tax Levy was called to order at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, December 18, 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: Steven Brummel, Gene Timm, Phil Williams, Sara Williams, Vanessa Rostance, Matthew Eddy, Arlen Donoho, Rhonda Donoho, Amber Carter, Valerie Lyons, Zack Lindsey, Leah Dellicarpini (City of Salem), James Sager, Sherry Walsh, Janet Sellers, Paul Hopkins, Cory Thorsen, Travis Cripps, Chase Landers, Rich Crouse, Nick Walsh, Roy Landers, Beth Landers, Chris Bookhout, Chrissie Carroll, Brian Banning, Sandra Banning, Mike Todd, Kay Barnes, Ray Barnes, Keith Beer, Bob Helm, Katie Helm, Karl Dunham, Karma Dunham, Janet Austin, Brad Pate, Marty Denzik, Kari Denzik, Cindy Ingram, Carmen White, Robert White, Angel Molenhour, Gerald Molenhour, Mike Lund, Trish Lund, Kurtis Rollins, Mandy Rollins, Eric Woodward, Carson Smith, Luke Alberson, Jack Riley, Jeff Rostance, Bruce Kropp (WJBD Radio) and Dennis Rosenberger (Salem Times Commoner).

PUBLIC FORUM–

Superintendent Detering reviewed the 2023 Tax Levy with the Board. Brock Waggoner, Gene Timm, Paul Jones, Marty Denzik, Amber Carter, Roy Landers, Gerald Molenhour, Keith Shuler, Matthew Eddings, Valerie Lyons, Josh Dunahee and Chris Ice all addressed the Board with concerns regarding the tax levy. Discussion was held.

MOTION: CLOSE 2023 TAX LEVY PUBLIC HEARING

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Mike McKinzie to close the Tax Levy Public Hearing at 8:11 p.m.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

REGULAR DECEMBER BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the of the Board of Education District #600 was called to order by President Eric Bandy at 8:12 P.M. on Monday, December 18, 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: Steven Brummel, Gene Timm, Phil Williams, Sara Williams, Vanessa Rostance, Matthew Eddy, Arlen Donoho, Rhonda Donoho, Amber Carter, Valerie Lyons, Zack Lindsey, Leah Dellicarpini (City of Salem), James Sager, Sherry Walsh, Janet Sellers, Paul Hopkins, Cory Thorsen, Travis Cripps, Chase Landers, Rich Crouse, Nick Walsh, Roy Landers, Bella Landers, Chris Bookhout, Chrissie Carroll, Brian Banning, Sandra Banning, Mike Todd, Kay Barnes, Ray Barnes, Keith Beer, Bob Helm, Katie Helm, Karl Dunham, Karma Dunham, Janet Austin, Brad Pate, Marty Denzik, Kari Denzik, Cindy Ingram, Carmen White, Robert White, Angel Molenhour, Gerald Molenhour, Mike Lund, Trish Lund, Kurtis Rollins, Mandy Rollins, Eric Woodward, Carson Smith, Luke Alberson, Jack Riley, Jeff Rostance, Bruce Kropp (WJBD Radio) and Dennis Rosenberger (Salem Times Commoner).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The minutes of the Regular Meeting on Monday, November 13, 2023, were approved, as read.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA – None

PUBLIC FORUM – Noone requested to speak during public forum.

COMMUNICATIONS – Supt. Detering a letter of resignation from Kim Morris as General Studies Secretary effective December 31, 2023.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM GENERAL STUDIES SECRETARY

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Marla Tolliver to accept a letter of resignation from Kim Morris as General Studies Secretary effective December 31, 2023.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR ON EXTENSION OF TIF2

Supt. Detering introduced Leah Dellicarpini, City of Salem, to discuss the extension of TIF #2 for another 12 years. Discussion was held.

MOTION - IASB CONFERENCE REPORTS

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Mike McKinzie to table reports from those who attended the IASB School Board Conference.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TREASURER'S REPORT

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

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

MOTION: APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BOARD MEMBER EXPENSES

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Shawn Morris to approve payment of board member expenses for the IASB Conference in Chicago.

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

TAX LEVY FOR 2023

Superintendent Detering reviewed the tax levy for 2023 and recommended that we levy at 6.75%. The Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) limits the property tax extension to be the lesser of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or 5%. This law was passed in Marion County in the late 1990s. The law is often known as "Tax Caps" which causes some confusion as to what the law does. The law was intended to limit the extension to CPI (or 5%) which does not guarantee that the individual taxpayers bill is capped. In fact, there are some unintended consequences of the law in certain circumstances. This year illustrated one of the flaws. In a year where the CPI is greater than 5% such as this year, a taxing body needs to go to, and above, 5%. Discussion was held.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE TAX LEVY FOR 2023

Motion was made by Shawn Morris and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve the 2023 Tax Levy at 6.5 %. Additional discussion was held.

MOTION: TO AMEND THE TAX LEVY MOTION

A motion was made by Shawn Morris and seconded by Mike McKinzie to amend the original motion to approve the 2023 Tax Levy at 4.99%. Additional discussion was held.

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

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

ASST. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Principal Boles reported for Asst. Principal Clint Wolfe reported the attendance report for the month of November was 90.68%, which was down some due to some illness and Thanksgiving. He also reported the following activity for the Month of November: 101 contacts with 96 students; 21 general conferences with 21 students. Disciplinary consequences given to students were: 11 lunch detentions with 11 students; 7 after school detentions given to 7 students; 22 crisis classes given to 18 students; 16 Saturday Schools for 16 students; 12 out of school suspensions for 11 students. Discussion was held.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Principal Boles reported that semester exams are being held Wednesday and Thursday this week with early dismissals both days.

Principal Boles reported a lot of great things going on at SCHS this month. Several groups coordinated with BCMW to provide gifts to over 65 kids. Several homerooms, FFA, and National Honor Society participated. Mr. Randolph and the Band & Choir Christmas Concert put on a tremendous program this year.

Principal Boles thanked the Board for the outstanding meal catered by Produce Plus for the Staff Luncheon was held on December 13. Our kitchen ladies spoiled us with the kitchen luncheon on December 15.

Principal Boles introduced our SRO, Craig Viera. Craig Viera and Allison West took students shopping with law enforcement dollars. Craig stated that they receive donations and take 10 to 12 students shopping and out to lunch. The students are very grateful.

Kelsey Pogue, Special Ed Resource Teacher, spearheaded a collection to provide for our students. Staff donated money for “Jeans Month”, along with local churches and businesses donating gift cards and cash. Overall, we provided over \$8,600 in gifts cards and we were able to provide one to every single student.

Principal Boles reported that we had our first every home wrestling match. We had a huge crowd and we have a good number of students involved. Mr. Wolfe stated that it's neat to see them cheer each other on and the team comradery. Principal Boles reported that our cheerleaders competed in their first competitions ever. The 1st competition they received 2nd place at Pinckneyville and qualified to go to a State Competition in Springfield on January 6. The 2nd competition at Mt. Vernon they received 1st place. He provided brackets for both the girls' basketball tournament at Benton and the boys' basketball tournament at Pinckneyville during winter break. The bowling teams competed at the ShowMo Tourney in St. Louis last Saturday. The boys received 1st place & girls received 3rd place.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – EARLY GRADUATES – Supt. Detering reported that we have a list of students that have requested approval for early graduation, pending successful completion of graduation requirements. COURSE DISCRPTION BOOK CHANGES – Supt. Detering provided a copy of the 2024-2025 course description book that will need to be approved. RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN – Supt. Detering presented

the Board with a copy of the risk management plan that will need to be approved. This would allow us to pay some salaries out of the Tort Fund at the end of the year, if there is any money remaining. For FY24, there may not be much money remaining in Tort to pay salaries, but we have to approve the plan in case there is some available. According to the plan, we can pay up to 50% of the nurse's salary, up to 50% of the Building and Grounds Supervisor salary and up to 5% for the Superintendent. Any funds left in the tort fund are spent on these salaries.

MOTION: APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to approve the closed session minutes from Regular Meeting on November 13, 2023.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE EARLY GRADUATES

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Joe Telford to approve early graduates, pending successful completion of all graduation requirements.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE COURSE DISCRIPTION BOOK

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Marla Tolliver to approve the course description book for 2024-2025 school year.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Joe Telford to approve the District's Risk Management Plan.

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

MOTION: TO EMPLOY MAIN OFFICE SECRETARY

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to employ Nikki Niepoetter as the Main Office Secretary.

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

MOTION: TO EMPLOY ATTENDANCE SECRETARY

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Joe Telford to employ Mallory Knaak as the attendance secretary.

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

MOTION: TO EMPLOY GENERAL STUDIES SECRETARY

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Marla Tolliver to employ Linny Meador as the General Studies Secretary.

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

MOTION: TO TABLE LETTER OF SUPPORT OF TIF #2

Motion was made by Jor Telford and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to table the approval or disapproval of a letter of support of TIF #2 until the January Board Meeting. Discussion was held.

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Mike McKinzie to adjourn the regular December Board meeting at 9:49 p.m.

Vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

(Date Approved)

(Board President)

(Board Secretary)