

Regular Board Meeting, December 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Board President S. Sullivan. Roll Call: P. Daly, J. Hastings, J. Powers, M. Regis, D. Wright, S. Sullivan, Supt. Decman, BGS Principal M. Wepprecht, HIS Principal B. Miller, LMS Principal, M. Chavers, HHS Principal, B. Elliot, District RTI Coordinator, J. Fulton, District Curriculum Director P. Falk, District Special Services Director S. Parsons, reporter from the Herscher Pilot, and other visitors.

Pledge of Allegiance

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION

2nd Emma Denault, parents are Jenny & Mike Denault
3rd Lacie Hollis, parents are Taylor & Jason Hollis
4th Zaelynn Miller, parents are Brittany & Zachary Miller
5th Claire Murray, parents are Ashley & Ben Murray
6th Carter Geistwhite, parents are Cari & Kyle Geiswhite
7th Kameron Soucie, parents are Michelle & Allen Soucie
8th Mackenzie Adams, parents are Jaimie & Damian Adams
HHS Aubrey Schaumburg, parents are Jodi & Kevin Schaumburg

At 7:19 p.m., Board President S. Sullivan declared open the public hearing regarding **School District Tax Levy**. There was questions from the public concerning this matter at 7:59 p.m. Board President S. Sullivan declared the public hearing closed.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by J. Hastings seconded by J. Powers to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s)
Nov 13, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. – Regular/Closed Session
Nov 13, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. – Regular/Open Session
- B. Treasurer's Report / Balance Sheet – Investment Summary
- C. Bills, Salaries and Investments totaling **\$50,166,487.12**.
This figure includes **\$10,352,139.98** in regular bills (plus any addendums), **\$1,522,778.44** in payroll/benefits and **\$38,291,568.70** in investments.
(Addendums = \$290,925.13)
- D. Approval of Resolution re: Closed Session Recordings/ Minutes older than 18 mos.
- E. Approval of Leave Request

P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Public Comment Period –

Superintendent's Report

- A. Donations/Grants/Acknowledgements – 1 donation
- B. Illinois State Scholars (10)
- C. Good News!
- D. FOIA Report (4)
- E. Overnight Trips Update (1)
- F. Report regarding KACC – P.Daly/M.Regis – Diesel engine was donated for automotive class/expanding first responder and fire team
- G. Procurement Committee Update – D.Wright/J. Hastings
- H. IASB Conference Discussion
- I. Other

New Business

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded by M. Regis to approve the **Non-Certified Hire** of **Nancy Guimond** (HIS Paraprofessional), **Chasity Kirk** (HIS Paraprofessional), and **Joshua Schweigert** (HIS Custodian) as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **Extra-Curricular Appointment** of **Laura Duesing** (HHS Cheer Volunteer) and **Jon Overacker** (LMS Wrestling Coach) as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Discussion regarding 2023 School District Tax Levy and Report.

A motion was made by J. Powers and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **adoption of the 2023 School District Tax Levy**, as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

The following are the **current cash reserve balances** of the following funds which are related to the operational levy of the Herscher Community Unit School District #2: Education Fund: \$21,938,169.77, O & M Fund: 5,987,332.79, Transportation Fund: \$7,843,725.29 and Working Cash Fund: \$680,071.73. Read aloud per Section 17-1.3 of the Illinois School Code, created as part of PA 102-0895.

A motion was made by J. Powers and was seconded by J. Hastings to approve the **current cash reserves balances**, as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Hastings to **approve graduation date for Sunday May 19th @ 5 p.m. at Seebach Stadium weather permitting (HHS gym as alternative)**, as recommended P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Discussion of HHS England & Scotland Tour

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by M. Regis to approve the **2024-2025 school year calendar**, as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by M. Regis and was seconded by P. Daly to **award bid to M & O Environmental Company for the amount of \$45,715 for the 2024 asbestos abatement flooring**, as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

A motion was made by M. Regis and was seconded by J. Hastings to approve the **quote to Scanlon Excavation in the amount of \$15,750 for the Limestone Middle School sinkhole** as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Other: None.

Old Business

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly to **approve Board Policy Manual Additions/Revisions** per IASB Press Plus Issue 113, as recommended. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

Other: None.

A motion at 8:20 p.m. to adjourn was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by P. Daly. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; M. Regis, aye; D. Wright, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

S. Sullivan, President

J. Hastings, Secretary