

Regular Board Meeting, December 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion at 6:15 p.m. to enter into closed session for the purpose of considering information regarding: personnel and negotiations was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

A motion at 6:58 p.m. to come out of closed session was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

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, J. Reick, L. Rewerts, D. Ruder, 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, Transportation Director M. Armstrong, U2CT President J. Huizenga, reporter from the Herscher Pilot, and other visitors.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION

- 2nd Bridger Dunnill (Kankakee) parents are Nicole & Nate Dunnill
- 3rd Owen Stevenson (Kankakee) parents are Ashley & Brian Stevenson
- 4th Jeremiah Johnson (Buckingham) parents are Lisa Shover & Jordan Johnson
- 5th Brooklyn Winkel (Buckingham) parents are Michelle & Jake Winkel
- 6th Melody Anderson (Kankakee) parents are Cara & Derek Anderson
- 7th Brice Holm (Kankakee) parents are Allison & Christopher Holm
- 8th Carter Bell (Kankakee) parents are Julie & Steven Bell – not present. Will be recognized in Feb 2023.
- 11th Kaitlyn Gioia (Herscher) parents are Shannan & Charles Gioia

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s)
 - Nov 14, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m. – Regular/Closed Session
 - Nov 14, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m. – Regular/Open Session
- B. Treasurer's Report / Balance Sheet – Investment Summary
- C. Bills, Salaries and Investments totaling **\$35,199,803.65**.
This figure includes **\$449,105.08** in regular bills (plus 3 addendums), **\$1,402,066.87** in payroll/benefits and **\$33,348,631.70** in investments.
(Addendums = \$64,610.37)
- D. Approval of Resolution re: Closed Session Recordings/ Minutes older than 18 mos.
- E. Approval of Leave Request
 - Maternity: Ashley Howell, LMS Gr 7 STEM
 - FMLA: Cheryl Hudgens, HIS Gr 4
 - Patrice Schoolman, HHS Social Studies (leave extension)

P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – there were no speakers.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Donations/Grants (3)/Acknowledgements
- B. Illinois State Scholars (10)
- C. Good News!
- D. FOIA Report (1)
- E. Overnight Trips Update (1)
- F. Report regarding KACC – J. Reick
- G. IASB Conference Discussion
- H. Procurement Committee Update – P. Daly/D. Ruder
- I. Other

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation from Lion Electric. Rep. Karl Kramer

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick to **award the bid for (25) electric busses** to Lion Electric (Shakopee, MN) for the amount of \$9,375,000, as recommended. (Will be funded by the EPA's Clean Bus Grant Program Grant awarded to the district last month.) P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

Presentation from Healy Bender. Rep. Dave Patton

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by P. Daly to approve the **Non-Certified Retirement Notice** of **Larry Houberg** (Maintenance/Custodian Director) eff Feb 1, 2023, as recommended. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Reick and was seconded by J. Hastings to approve the **Non-Certified Hire** of **Jamie Adams** (HIS Crossing Guard) and **Ashley Bernicky** (BGS Parapro-PENDING Licensure), as recommended. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Hastings to **terminate specified Non-Certified employee: Nicolette Shelton** (BGS Parapro) eff. November 28, 2022, as recommended. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

Discussion regarding 2022 School District Tax Levy and Report.

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Hastings to approve the **adoption of the 2022 School District Tax Levy**, as recommended. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 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: \$19,805,583.12, O & M Fund: 6,816,806.03, Transportation Fund: \$5,365,360.07 and Working Cash Fund: \$498,384.22. Read aloud per Section 17-1.3 of the Illinois School Code, created as part of PA 102-0895.

First reading of the HHS **Curriculum Guide for 2023-2024** school year.

Discussion re: Powerlifting Team.

A motion was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Reick to meet with union to discuss **powerlifting team stipends**. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, nay; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6 Nays 1

Discussion re: Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach.
Action re: Asst. S & C Coach was tabled.

A motion was made by J. Reick and was seconded by J. Powers to **appoint School District Election Official** "It is hereby Resolved that Heather Crane is authorized to act as Official Representative of the Secretary of the Board of Education in matters concerning the April 4, 2023 Consolidated Election; Board of Education Election" as recommended. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

First reading of Board Policy Manual Revision presented via IASB Press Plus. Addition to Issue 110.

Other: None.

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick to **approve Board Policy Manual Additions/Revisions** per IASB Press Plus Issue 110, with the exception of the policy first read above, as recommended. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

Other: None.

A motion at 8:05 p.m. to enter into closed session for the purpose of considering information regarding: personnel and negotiations was made by P. Daly and was seconded by J. Reick. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

A motion at 9:30 p.m. to come out of closed session was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

A motion at 9:30 p.m. to adjourn was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick. P. Daly, aye, J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; L. Rewerts, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 7 Nays 0

S. Sullivan, President

J. Hastings, Secretary