

REGULAR MEETING  
February 16, 2022  
6:00 p.m.  
BEARDSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT #15  
500 EAST 15TH STREET  
BEARDSTOWN, IL 62618

OJ Simpson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following Board of Education members were present: Amy Sommers, Joe Engelbrecht, Abby Pherigo, Jon Stock, and OJ Simpson. Jimmy Hymes and Katie Vitale were absent. Also present were Michael Smith and Kelly Herter. Jimmy Hymes arrived at 6:03 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Stock, second by Pherigo approval of Agenda. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

For the Good of the District: Thank you card was read from Barbara Braner's Family. The district was able to get 197 new laptops from the Digital Equity Grant, and we have just been awarded \$135,416.30 for 370 laptops from the Emergency Connect Fund. This is the second round for those funds, and this is the same Federal program that allowed us to buy 350 laptops at the beginning of the school year.

Recognition of Visitors: Jessica Taylor addressed the Board in regards to our eligibility policy.

Informational Items and Dates:

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| SIP Day                     | Friday, February 18                       |
| No School - Presidents' Day | Monday, February 21                       |
| IHSA BBB Regional           | Wednesday/Friday, February 23 and 25      |
| IHSA GBB Super-Sectional    | Monday, February 28                       |
| Parent/Teacher Conferences  | Wednesday, March 9 and Thursday, March 10 |
| End of the 3rd Quarter      | Thursday, March 10                        |

Administrator and Athletic Director Reports: Lori Young thanked the Tracy Foundation for their support.

Committee Reports: None

Superintendent's Report:

District Finances-The district finances are looking really good.

Gard Elementary Remodel/Maintenance Shed/Bleachers-Pre-Bid of Gard will be February 22, 2022 and Bid opening will be Thursday March 3, 2022.

High School/Middle School Camera and Keycard Project/Panic Buttons- Work is complete for the cameras in the HS building. Keycard project is still ongoing. Panic buttons will be installed in the offices and throughout the buildings.

ROE Compliance 2020-2021-It has been sent off for the ROE to review and they will send back for corrections.

5Essentials Survey-The district has put the survey on our website. Mr. Smith encouraged everyone to complete the survey.

Band/Football Trailer Update-Meeting with Patrick Steadman and Jim Childers to see if we can remodel the inside of the trailer for the band to make it easier for them to haul their equipment.

Other-Contacted by two districts with help transporting Special Ed Students. We will need board approval to transport out of district students.

Discussion Items:

Tuition for classes/students outside the district. The board asked Mr. Smith to run the numbers.

ESSER Funding - (ESSER I, II, and III). We can get reimbursed for health costs during the pandemic and probably have some money to put towards HVAC, etc., on the new preschool building. The board may have to meet in the future to approve these.

Other-The sign to recognize JBS will be installed at the new video board in front of the HS/MS.

Consent Agenda Approval:

- a. Prior Months' Regular and Committee Meeting Minutes
- b. Payment of Bills and Payroll
- c. Treasurer's Report
- d. Investment, Loan, and Transfer
- e. Recommendation to Accept Donations-None
- f. Resignations: Ann Hill-Speech Pathologist (end of 2021-2022)

- g. Retirements-None
- h. Maternity Leave-None
- i. Leave of Absence-None
- j. Student/Block Teachers-None
- K. Overnight Field Trip-Key Club officers to the District Leadership Conference in Springfield, IL on March 11-13, 2022. Frank Shaw explained the opportunity for the key club officers
- l. Other

On a motion by Stock, second by Engelbrecht to approve the consent agenda items a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k and l. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

On a motion by Sommers, second by Stock to approve the IASB Board Policies Issue #108. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Pherigo to approve the Risk Management Plan for 2022-2023. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Sommers to approve pest control contract with Orkin Pest Control. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Sommers, second by Pherigo to approve High School Graduation for Sunday May 29, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Hymes to approve Wainscot on maintenance shed for \$3,956.00. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Simpson to amend the back to school plan and make mask optional but highly recommended Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Pherigo, second by Stock to enter closed session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes. Time 6:38 pm

On a motion by Sommers, second by Hymes to enter regular session. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes. Time 7:00pm

On a motion by Hymes, second by Pherigo to employ Ashley Eckert-Co-Sponsor for NHS. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Hymes, second by Pherigo to employ Tory Moore-Drama Club Sponsor for 2021-2022(split Stipend) Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Hymes, second by Stock to employ Marsha Belhajjam-Gard Elementary Cook (5.5 hrs) Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Pherigo, second by Stock to employ Maria Hernandez de Montoya-Volunteer Assistant Girls Soccer Coach Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Pherigo, second by Stock to employ Liliana Montoya Garcia-K-1 Jump Start After School Tutoring Program. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Hymes, second by Sommers to employ Courtney Clark-MS/HS Spanish Language Facilitator. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Hymes, second by Pherigo to employ Jennifer Dotzert-Jumpstart After School Tutoring Program K-1. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Hymes, second by Sommers to employ Claudia Zabala-Parent ESL Class Teacher. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Hymes, second by Stock to employ Lorraine Brasel-Parent ESL Class Teacher. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Sommers, second by Pherigo to employ Brian Dour -JV Baseball Coach. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Sommers to dismiss Ryan Herridge-PEL employee. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Engelbrecht to approve administrator contract for Lori Young; Denise Wittler; Tammee Petersen; Bill Capps; Nathan Theis; and Sharon Johnson. Roll call vote: Hymes-yes; Sommers-yes; Engelbrecht-yes; Pherigo-yes; Stock-yes and Simpson-yes.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Stock, second by Hymes to adjourn at 7:06p.m.

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Date

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President

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Secretary