

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting April 15, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Dowden at 7:00 p.m. with members: Clifton, Dowden, Fonner, McQueen, Stark, and Walsh present. Also present was Supt. Landeck. The meeting was also broadcasted live on the district's YouTube account.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Walsh, to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Fonner offered kudos to everyone in the district for all the work being put into remote learning. What really stands out she said is that every time a teacher reaches out to her son, they start and end the conversation with, "miss you" and "love you." Dowden agreed with what Fonner said. He said that his own son's interaction with their teachers has been very personable. In her absence, Landeck offered Principal Coffey's recognition. She thanked all the students, parents, and teachers for all working together to implement remote learning. Coffey also wanted to thank the kitchen staff for preparing the meals for students and the teachers that have been delivering them. Landeck thanked Principal Coffey and Director of Student Services Stark for being patient with him during these unprecedented times. He also thanked the teachers for stepping up. He stated that Oakland may be doing things a bit differently than surrounding schools, but he feels it is best for the students.

Landeck informed the board there had been 0 FOIA request since the last board meeting.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Fonner to approve the Consent Agenda including the payment of bills in the total amount of \$294,506.82 as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck informed the board that the district had received a \$50,000 grant as a part of the ISBE's School Maintenance Grant. The funds, per the grant application, are to be used on updating the locker rooms at the gym. Landeck stated that the district was still waiting on transportation funds that had been disbursed in December. A new set of funds had been disbursed by ISBE at the end of March and Landeck said he hopes the funds are processed by the Comptroller before July 1.

Landeck gave an update on when the drainage project north of the gym and the football fencing project would take place. Both projects are to be completed before the end of April he said.

Landeck reminded the board that the bid opening for the football field project was held on March 19th at 1:00 pm. The district received four bids that ranged from \$184,900 to \$291,420. The bid of \$184,900 was submitted by All Purpose Erectors out of Lebanon, IL. Landeck stated that All Purpose installed the lights at Arcola, St. Joe-Ogden HS, Churchill Downs, and the Tennessee Titans stadium. A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Dowden to accept the bid from All Purpose Erectors for the football field lights as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

CTS is still in the design stage of a possible locker room project this summer. Landeck shared that the new timeline is for CTS to present a total costs for the project at the May meeting. If the district decides to move forward, it would need to have a special meeting the first week of June to accept bids. Work would then start the second week of June with an estimated end date of mid-August.

Landeck gave an overview of how COVID-19 has impacted operations in the district. Topics he covered included Act of God Days, Remote Learning, office/custodial/kitchen hours during the suspension of in-person learning, financial impact, and student activities such as prom, athletics, honors night, senior trip, and graduations.

Landeck presented PRESS Issue 103, March 2019. He informed the board that this issue had no changes to any policies. The issue was primarily updates to footnotes, legal references, and rewording. This was the first reading of the changes and no action will be taken until next month.


Landeck also presented proposed registration fee, lunch prices, and athletic pass costs for the 2020-2021 school year. He commented that registration fees had been unchanged since 2014. In this proposal, each was increasing by \$5. K-8 lunch prices will increase by 5 cents and HS lunches will remain the same. Landeck proposed the family athletic passes increase, but individual passes remain the same. This is the first reading of these proposed fees and no action will be taken until next month.

Landeck reminded the board that per school code, the board must approve certified job descriptions each year by May 10th. These job descriptions are not for hiring purposes, but in case the board has to do a reduction in force in the upcoming school year. A motion was made by Walsh and seconded by Turner to approve the certified job descriptions as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck gave Mrs. Coffey's report as well as his own report.

A motion was made by Dowden, seconded by Fonner to accept Nichole Epperson's letter of resignation effective at the end of the current school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Turner to adjourn at 7:58 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.



President



Vice-President