

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting May 20, 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, Principal Coffey, Mark Graves, Scott Graves, Jennifer Burch, and Elizabeth Burch. The meeting was also broadcasted live on the district's YouTube account.

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

Dowden read four emails that were submitted to the board of education email account and asked to be read at the board meeting. All four emails were in regards to funds remaining in the Class of 2020 activity fund. The emails were submitted by Maddie Krabel, Elizabeth Burch, Will Reavley, and the following; Jennifer Burch, Heather Hunt, Lori Hunt, Chris Reavley, Tasha Shirley, and Monica Thomas all signed one.

Coffey thanked the staff that helped and offered to help with the return of school materials and pickup of personal materials. She thanked the office staff for scanning and sending hard copy work to be sent to teachers for grading. She also thanked students, parents, and staff for working together over the last six weeks. Dowden praised the organization of the pickup/dropoff. Landeck announced that the Oakland HS FFA was going to be featured on an upcoming episode of This Week in Agribusiness, a national television show.

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

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Dowden to approve the Consent Agenda including the payment of bills in the total amount of \$243,298.40 as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck informed the board that the district had received the second FY20 transportation payments. He said another payment was disbursed, but he didn't anticipate receiving it before July 1. The three payments received is what Landeck had budgeted for. Landeck shared that the district had received it's health insurance renewal and the rates were frozen, no increase. Landeck reported that property/casualty insurance had increased by 29%. He said the district has only had one minimal claim in the last five year and that the increase was the minimum increase any school in the cooperative received. Worker's compensation insurance increased by 4.29% or \$281.

Landeck reminded the board of the fees and lunch prices presented during the April meeting. There were no questions. A motion was made by Walsh, seconded by Clifton to approve fees and lunch prices for 2020-2021 school year as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mark Graves from CTS gave an update on the possible locker room project. He shared engineer and architect drawings and explained that they were not final. He stated that everyone involved including the district were reviewing the drawings to identify possible cost savings. He stated that bids are currently being sought and by March 29th should be able to provide a final cost for the project. He discussed the need to update the fire alarm system in the gym whether or not the district decides to do anything with the locker

rooms. Landeck said once final numbers are available, he will review them to see if a special meeting the first week of June would be necessary to proceed.

Landeck presented the FY20 amended budget. He compared the budget approved in the fall to this tentative amended budget. In the amended budget, the deficit was less, but not by much. Landeck said this current tentative amended budget does not include approximately \$75,000 in federal stimulus funds the district anticipates receiving before July 1. Landeck explained that the deficit in Operations & Maintenance was 12% more than in the fall because with students and staff out of the building the last two months, some facility items have already been addressed. These projects included new lights in all of the halls of Lake Crest, new drainage from the girls' bathroom in the gym, and the fencing around the football field. Landeck also pointed out that the deficit in the Transportation Fund was significantly less than anticipated as a result of not having any special education and athletic transportation or field trips the last two months. Landeck indicated this was the presentation of the tentative amended budget and that it would be on display in the unit office until the June meeting when it will be considered for approval.

Per school code, the district must have a public hearing on the amended budget before it can be approved. A motion was made by Fonner and seconded by Walsh to set the date and time for the public hearing on the FY20 amended budget for Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 6:45 pm in the Oakland High School student lounge. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck shared a proposed contract from Gould Transportation for the 20-21 and 21-22 school years. From the current contract, the first year is a 5.95% increase and from year one to year two of the contract is a 5.00% increase. Landeck pointed out that over the life of the previous two contracts, the second year of each of those contract had a freeze from year one. Landeck said if you compare the increase from 16-17 to 21-22, it averages out to a 3.0% increase each year. A motion was made by Dowden and seconded by Clifton to approve the contract with Gould Transportation as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck said that in conjunction with purchasing the Chromebooks, he would also like to enter into an agreement with DYOPATH to help with the implementation of the Chromebooks and their utilization through at least the first year of the program. DYOPATH provides support of school district's technology roadmap to bridge the gap between current state and future needs. Landeck stated that grant funds could be used to pay for this service. A motion was made by Turner and seconded by Dowden to approve the agreement with DYOPATH as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck presented to the board the annual requirement to approve IESA membership. He stated that membership fees are based on the number of activities a school participates in. Coffey added that she has talked with Shiloh and Kansas about reinstating junior high scholastic bowl. Shiloh has indicated that they are not interested and she is awaiting a formal response from Kansas. A motion was made by Walsh and seconded by Fonner to approve IESA membership for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck shared an inter-governmental agreement with Cowden-Herrick Community Unit School District 3A, Ramsey Community Unit School District 204, St. Elmo Community Unit School District 202, and Windsor Community Unit School District 1. The agreement states that Lake Land College will bill Oakland for the courses the five schools are participating in together as a part of the Rural Education Delivery System. Oakland will pay the Lake Land bill and then charge the other four districts who in turn will reimburse Oakland. Lake Land cannot charge the schools individually as it is only one class in their system.

A motion was made by Walsh and seconded by Fonner to approve the inter-governmental agreement with Cowden-Herrick Community Unit School District 3A, Ramsey Community Unit School District 204, St. Elmo Community Unit School District 202, and Windsor Community Unit School District 1 as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

There was discussion on whether or not to transfer funds from the Tort Immunity Fund to the Operations & Maintenance Fund to help fund the locker room project. This is allowable for a one-time, non-recurring expense. The board decided to wait and see what the final costs of the project was before making a final decision on whether to do this or not. They instructed Landeck to take the necessary steps to do so in case that is the direction they decide to go.

Per school code, if the district decides to make such a transfer as discussed, it must have a public hearing on the potential transfer before it can be approved. A motion was made by Turner and seconded by Walsh to set the date and time for the public hearing on the possible transfer of funds from the Tort Immunity Fund to the Operations & Maintenance Fund Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Oakland High School student lounge. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

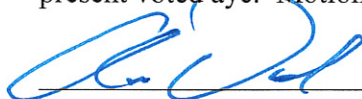
Landeck responded to the letter from the mothers of six senior students that was read during public comment part of the meeting. Coffey also replied to the letter and shared copies of emails between herself and students, class sponsors, and a parent as well as a timeline for those communications. Discussion was held on how the remaining senior class funds (result of cancelled senior trip) could and could not be used. All agreed that the students should benefit from the funds. Not all, but a majority of those that spoke agreed the funds couldn't be given directly to the students with no qualifying factors or guidelines. It was agreed upon that Coffey would continue to work with the class sponsors and the class officers to identify an organization that would act as a custodian of the funds and distribute the funds based on qualifying criteria collaboratively agreed upon.

Landeck and Coffey's gave their administrative report.

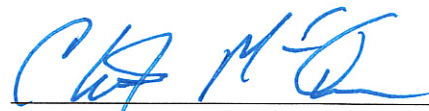
A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Turner to hire Sabrina Kile as National Honor Society. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Dowden to hire Carson Logan, Payton Bell, and John Hunt as temporary, full-time summer cleaning help. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McQueen to adjourn at 9:27 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.



President



Vice-President