

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting May 19, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Dowden at 7:00 p.m. with members: Clifton, Dowden, Fonner, McQueen, Stark, Turner, and Walsh present. Also present was Supt. Landeck, Principal Amanda Coffey, Director of Student Services Patty Stark, and an audience of approximately 15 to 20 visitors.

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

Oakland High School FFA members and their advisor Maddie Hammel provided an end of the year presentation on FFA activities for the past school year. Julie Findley, with the backing of the OEA, addressed the board on concerns class sponsors have with an overnight senior trip.

Principal Coffey recognized teacher Elvi Start for organizing having a Mexican food truck at school one day as a part of a lesson for her Spanish students. All OHS students and staff benefited from the event. Coffey thanked social worker Mrs. Nelk for organizing the snow cone day for all K-12 students and staff at the end of the year. Mrs. Coffey also thanked all the teachers, custodians, and kitchen staff for persevering through this difficult school year. Landeck indicated that he failed to recognize former board member Chuck Walsh during the April meeting. Landeck proceeded to thank Walsh for his service to the district by serving on the board. President Dowden thanked the FFA students that presented at the start of the meeting. He said it took a lot of courage to get up in a room full of people and present.

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

A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Dowden to approve the Consent Agenda including the payment of bills in the total amount of \$338,462.79 as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck informed the board that health insurance premiums would decrease by 10% for the 21-22 school year because of the district's good claims history. He also reported that the property and casualty insurance would be increasing by 11%. Landeck informed the board that after talking with the three county treasurers, he does not anticipate the district receiving any tax distributions before June 30th. He said that although this will negatively impact the FY21 budget, it will positively impact the FY22 budget. The delay in the Coles County payment is a result of the State applying a multiplier to the county's tax rates and not getting that multiplier to the county in a timely manner.

Landeck informed the board that ISBE had just passed a resolution today stating that all Illinois school districts will start the 21-22 school year in-person. The resolution also stated that remote learning would only be required to be offered for those not eligible for the vaccination and ordered to quarantine by a

local or State health department. Landeck also informed the board that junior high and high school students were each provided 10 tickets for the promotion and graduation ceremony and that each ceremony will be live streamed.

Landeck reminded the board of the proposed school fees and lunch prices for the 21-22 school year that were presented last month. There was no additional discussion. A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Fonner to approve the fees and lunch prices for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck presented the FY21 amended budget. He explained that originally, the Ed Fund was slightly in the black. However, once he found out there probably will not be a tax disbursement in June, that surplus become a deficit of approximately \$115,000. Landeck had budgeted to receive those funds as the district usually does. Landeck went on to explain that the large deficits in O&M and Capitol Projects were anticipated as a result of the work on the football field lights and the locker rooms. Landeck said that although there will now be a large deficit in the Ed Fund, the district is not required to do a deficit reduction plan due to it's fund balances.

Landeck reminded the board that before the amended budget could be approved, a public hearing on the budget had to be held. He recommended the hearing be held before the regularly scheduled June meeting. A motion was made by Dowden and seconded by McQueen to set the date and time for the FY21 amended budget hearing for Wednesday, June 23 at 6:45 pm in the Lake Crest library. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck stated that each year the board has to approve membership with the Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA). This year the fee structure was a bit different due to financial hardships the IESA is having because of no State Track Meet last year. Landeck said the IESA fees are based on what activities the school participates in and each school of the co-op has to pay the fee, not just the host school. A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Turner to approve IESA membership for the 2021-2022 school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Like the IESA, the board must also approve annual membership with the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). Unlike the IESA, IHSA does not usually have a membership fee or per activity fee. However, this year they are due to loss revenues this past year. The per activity fee for the upcoming year is minimal. A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Dowden to approve IHSA membership for the 2021-2022 school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Coffey, Stark, and Landeck gave their administrative reports.

A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Fonner to enter into executive session. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board entered executive session at 7:44 pm and returned from executive session at 9:10 pm.

A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Turner to approve executive session minutes as read in executive session. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Turner to accept Penny Krabel's resignation as junior high cheer coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Turner to accept Kelly McConaha's resignation as a teacher. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Dowden to hire Mark Ambrose as a teacher for the 21-22 school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

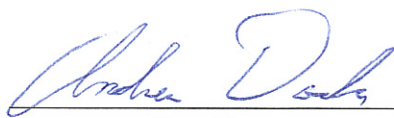
A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Fonner to hire Mark Ambrose as head football coach for the Tri-County co-op. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by Dowden to hire Payton Bell, Camille Clifton, Jack Hoel, and Carson Logan for summer cleaning. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Turner to hire Mariah Wagner as a teacher for the 21-22 school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Turner to appoint Heidi Lucas-Koebel to the vacant two-year term on the Oakland CUSD #5 Board of Education. Upon roll, Dowden, Fonner, Lee, Stark, and Turner voted aye. McQueen abstained. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Turner to adjourn at 9:20 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.



President



Vice-President