

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting January 20, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Dowden at 7:00 p.m. with members: Clifton, Dowden, Fonner, McQueen, Stark, and Turner present. Walsh was absent. Also present was Supt. Landeck, Principal Amanda Coffey, Director of Student Services Patty Stark, Jennifer Clark, Emily Tillis, and Rachel Wright

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

Coffey congratulated the winners of the recent Lake Crest Spelling Bee; Kiara Taylor -1st, Estin Jones – 2nd, Damian Elswick – 3rd, and Andrew West – Alternate. Stark thanked the Stan Duzan family for a memorial donation to the special education program at Oakland schools in honor of Jim Coy. Landeck recognized that on January 14th all K-8 students, in-person and remote, were in attendance giving the school perfect attendance for the day.

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

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Dowden to approve the Consent Agenda including the payment of bills in the total amount of \$254,754.32 as presented. Upon roll, all members present and on the phone voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck reported that preliminary allocations for the second round of ESSER funds shows the district in line to receive approximately \$294,000. However, like the first round of funds, the funds can only be used towards COVID related expenses. Landeck said that he is still trying to get additional information on exactly how the funds can be used and if there will be any additional flexibility giving the district more freedom on how to use the funds.

Landeck told the board now is the time to start thinking about facility projects for this upcoming summer. He mentioned that the parking lot is due to be resealed, but besides that there is no pressing facility matters. Landeck suggested even not doing any facility projects this year, besides the parking lot, and saving money to help abate taxes next year.

Landeck provided the board with a COVID update. He said that there are currently 4 students in quarantine and no positive cases. There are 7 remote-by-choice K-8 students and 0 remote-by-choice high school students. Coffey also gave an update on JH and HS sports in regards to current restrictions.

Landeck presented the Risk Management Plan. He told the board this had to be approved annually in order for the district to be able to use Tort Funds to help pay some salaries. A motion was made by Dowden, seconded by McQueen to adopt the Risk Management Plan as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

There was discussion on what the board wanted to do with the Director of Student Services position after Mrs. Stark retires at the end of this year. Landeck recommended the position be filled, but the duties of the principal and this administrative position be reorganized to better support students and staff. The board asked Landeck to provide them with numbers (total administrators of and total costs) of area districts for comparisons sake.

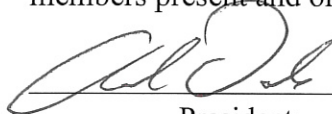
Stark, Coffey, and Landeck gave their administrative reports.

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

The board entered into executive session at 8:02 pm. The board returned from executive session at 8:30 pm.

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

A motion was made by Fonner, seconded by Dowden to adjourn at 8:35 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present and on the phone voted aye. Motion Carried.



President



Vice-President