

STEWARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 220

STEWARD, ILLINOIS

Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting

November 16th, 2022 posted for participation.

Minutes taken by Matt Hayes.

The board meeting of November 16th, 2022 was called to order by President Chris Cardott.

On roll call at 6:02pm, the following members were present:

Board members present: Chris Cardott, Marcy DeLille, Chele Wells, Dean Svela, Julie Lovett
Nate Ramsey and Superintendent Steve Simpson

Board members late:

Board members absent: Joseph Powell

Visitors:

1. Approval of/Additions to the Agenda
 - a. None.
2. Approval /Correction of Minutes from October 19th, 2022

On a motion by Chele Wells and a second by Dean Svela, and a unanimous voice vote, the minutes from October 19th, 2022 were accepted as presented.

3. Approval of Financial Reports and Bills

On a motion by Dean Svela and a second by Nate Ramsey, and a roll call of all ayes, the bills and financial reports were accepted as presented with the correction of the Frontier bill amount.

On a motion by Chele Wells and a second by Dean Svela, and a roll call of all ayes, the bills were amended to add Scott Lovett's bill of \$240.

4. Good News Communication and Report from Administrative Assistant
 - a. This is Illinois School Board members week. Mrs. Simpson put together a gift bag to show appreciation for the work the board members are doing.
 - b. Our insurance company is taking care of contacting Nicor to finish the landscaping on the south side of the school.
5. Board Communication for the Good of Steward District 220.
 - a. Praise for the cheer coaches and basketball coaches for doing such a good job with the student athletes.
 - b. The Conor tournament is looking for volunteers and gift basket donations.

6. Recognition and Comments from Employees and the public.
 - a. None.

Old Business

7. Discussion: *Meet & Confer Agreement*
 - a. Waiting for a draft and a phone conference from our attorneys.
 - b. Planning to have something ready for the December meeting.
8. Buildings and Grounds/ Building Usage.
 - a. Amendments to School Maintenance Grant (pending ISBE approval).
 - i. Once the approval is granted then prices will be obtained for the different projects.
 - b. Roofing Repair; Bus Garage Repair; Inclusion of Gym Lighting and Wall Matting/Protection (Action must await Maintenance Grant approval)
 - c. Conor O'Rorke Tournament Update (Table for Dissemination of School Board Petitions and Candidate Information?)
 - i. According to the County for the 2023 elections the 4-year terms end for Marcy DeLille, Joseph Powell, Dean Svela and Nate Ramsey.
 - ii. For the 2025 elections the 4-year terms end for Chris Cardott, Chele Wells and Julie Lovett.
 - iii. A table will be set up at the Conor O'Rorke Tournament for local volunteer/club opportunities.

New Business

9. Policy Discussion
 - a. No new policies to review this month.
10. Mission, Vision, Values & Goals (Detailed Discussion tabled from October)

On a motion by Marcy DeLille and a second by Julie Lovett, and a unanimous voice vote, the Board approved to table the discussion on Mission, Vision, Values & Goals to the December meeting.

11. Annual Financial Report: Discussion and Adoption.
 - a. Joel Hopkins has let us know that he will not be able to continue to do our audit in the future.
 - b. The audit was reviewed and discussed.

On a motion by Julie Lovett and a second by Dean Svela, and a unanimous voice vote, the annual financial report was approved.

12. Presentation of Annual Tax Levy (to be adopted in November and, if needed, amended in December): Must be filed by 12/27/2022 (legal deadline).
 - a. This year's tax levy along with the tax levies from 2019-2021 were shared.

On a motion by Marcy DeLille and a second by Dean Svela, and a roll call of all ayes, the annual tax levy was approved with the caveat that if there is an increase in the total EAV before the December meeting an adjustment will be made to the tax levy.

Executive Session: To consider the appointment, employment, compensation. Discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or individual student matters.

No Executive session

13. The next meeting will be held on December 21st starting at 6:00pm.

On a motion by Chele Wells and a second by Dean Svela and a unanimous voice vote, the Board adjourned at 7:19pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by the Board of Education:

Marcy DeLille, Secretary
Board of Education
December 16th, 2022

Chris Cardott, President
Board of Education