

# STEWARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 220 STEWARD, ILLINOIS

## Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021

6:00 pm –In person meeting, publicized and posted for participation.

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Minutes taken by Matt Hayes.

The regularly scheduled meeting of October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was called to order by President Chris Cardott.

On roll call at 6:15pm, the following members were present:

**Board members present:** Chris Cardott, Joseph Powell, Nate Ramsey, Marcy DeLille  
Julie Lovett, Chele Wells and Superintendent Steve Simpson

**Board members late:**

**Board members absent:** Dean Svela

**Visitors:**

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1. Approval of/Additions to the Agenda
  - a. Addition, the hiring of basketball and cheerleading coaches
2. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

**On a motion by Chele Wells and a second by Nate Ramsey, and a roll call of all ayes, the amended agenda was approved.**

3. Approval /Correction of Minutes

**On a motion by Julie Lovett and a second by Chele Wells, and a roll call of all ayes, the minutes from the September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting were accepted as presented.**

4. Approval of Financial Reports and Bills

**On a motion by Marcy Delille and a second by Julie Lovett, and a roll call of all ayes, the bills and financial reports were accepted as presented.**

5. Good News Communication and Report from Superintendent
  - a. See attached.
6. Board Communication for the Good of Steward District 220.
  - a. A couple of kids in older classes were happy with new cook for all their seconds.

- b. Mrs. Stroh organized a volunteer day at Tails for parents and students.
  - c. All the positive comments from the staff and stepping up and doing things with a positive attitude.
7. Recognition and Comments from Employees and the public.
- a. None

### **Old Business**

8. Playground Project/Pea Gravel Delivery
- a. Trucking bill will be paid for half by PJ O'Rorke and the school will pay the other half with money donated for air conditioner.
  - b. Rogers Ready Mix donated the gravel.
  - c. Mr. Hayes to ask the scouts to rake up the overflowing gravel.
9. Staff Handbook/ Contract Update
- a. Staff will meet to discuss. They have been too busy to meet yet.
10. Building Security/Lock Bids
- a. Melin's Lock and Key not able to give us a dollar figure for security locks because of supply shortage.
11. Roof Status
- a. The roof is still leaking after heavy rains.
  - b. O'Rorke Construction to look at it when they have time.
12. Old Bus Repair
- a. Bockman's gave a bid of \$8,561.69 to get the 1997 bus in safe condition.
  - b. The cost of repairing the bus is similar to buying a used bus.
  - c. Mrs. Delille suggested we take the bus to Cappel's to have them look at it.

### **New Business**

13. Distribution of Annual Audit Materials (to review for November Meeting)
- a. Audit material was distributed.
  - b. Mr. Simpson will contact Joel Hopkins to give a presentation to the board in November.
14. Conor O'Rorke Tournament
- a. Blood drive and carry out will still be going on.

**On a motion by Julie Lovett and a second by Chele Wells, and a roll call of all eyes with Marcy Delille abstaining, the Conor O'Rorke tournament will not be held this year due to COVID.**

**On a motion by Chele Wells and a second by Julie Lovett, and a roll call of all eyes, approval was given for a Blood Drive and a Conor Carryout drive thru with needed use of the cafeteria and school bathrooms.**

15. Review of Bus Trip Pay for Sporting Events and Field Trips
- a. Bus drivers pay of \$5 an hour for waiting for sport games was discussed.
  - b. Mr. Simpson to contact Sherri Smith at the High school to find out what Rochelle pays.

16. Current Health Insurance and Pre-Existing District Obligations
  - a. (Update to be discussed in executive session)
17. Announcement of Coaches that were hired.
  - a. Randy Paisley's resume was shared.
  - b. Mr. Paisley has completed a background check.

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

**On a motion by Chele Wells and a second by Julie Lovett, and a roll call of all ayes, the meeting was moved into Executive session at 7:54pm.**

**On a motion by Julie Lovett and a second by Chele Wells, and a roll call of all ayes, the meeting was moved out of Executive session at 8:37pm.**

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19. Action Resulting from Executive Session

**On a motion by Nate Ramsey and a second by Chele Wells, and a roll call of all ayes, Randy Paisley was approved as head coach of boys' basketball.**

**On a motion by Marcy DeLille and a second by Nate Ramsey, and a roll call of all ayes, Matt Hayes was approved as assistant coach of boys' basketball.**

**On a motion by Chele Wells and a second by Julie Lovett, and a roll call of all ayes, Michelle Esposito was approved as a girls' cheerleading coach.**

**On a motion by Julie Lovett and a second by Chele Wells, and a roll call of all ayes, Rebekah Hayes was approved as a girls' cheerleading coach.**

**On a motion by Nate Ramsey and a second by Chele Wells, and a roll call of all ayes, the Board adjourned at 8:38pm.**

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by the Board of Education:

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Marcy DeLille, Secretary  
Board of Education  
November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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Chris Cardott, President  
Board of Education