

**SMITHTON COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 130**  
**Smithton, Illinois**  
Regular Board Meeting, August 20, 2019  
MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Board of Education of Smithton Community Consolidated School District No. 130 was held on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, in the cafeteria, 316 South Hickory, Smithton, Illinois 62285.

Mrs. Etling, Clerk to the Board of Education, recorded minutes.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mr. Barschak at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

**Roll Call**

Members present: Ms. Pipher, Mr. Trentman, Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. Barschak, Dr. Schwemmer, Mr. Whitworth and Mr. Lester.

Members absent: None

Also in attendance were Dr. Wamser, Superintendent, Mrs. Norton, Principal, Mr. Mueth, Athletic Director and Hans Carpenter of the Freeburg Tribune (Hans arrived at 7:05pm).

**Public Comments**

None

**Reports**

Mrs. Etling reported on the FY 19 Annual Financial Review. The district continues to make progress towards reducing the deficit in the Ed Fund. This year, the Ed Fund deficit of \$51,329 is the lowest reported in the last seven years. Highest deficit was reported in FY15 of \$313,922. A combination of factors has led to this improved financial position including the following:

1. New Evidence Based Funding formula. State has been more consistent with its funding and the district has received an additional \$54,000 from the state in the last 2 years.
2. Increase in property values and new construction has generated additional tax revenue for the district. District has received an additional \$202,000 in tax revenue over the last 2 years.
3. New \$10,000 Title IV Federal Grant funds.
4. The District has continued to follow its Risk Management Plan and allocate some additional salaries and benefits to the Tort Fund.

Mr. Lester reported on the finance committee meeting which was held prior to the board meeting. The district will renew a CD that matures on 8/24/19 with a new 12 month maturity date. He also reported that the FY20 budget will be posted and on display for the public to see and that a public notice will be in the paper on August 22, 2019 to publish the budget hearing

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date set for September 24, 2019. The FY20 Budget shows a balanced budget in the Ed Fund for the year. The district will be exploring various investment opportunities over the next month to prepare for the bond issuance proceeds. Funds will be held in an investment account prior to construction needs.

Mr. Mueth reported that parent meetings have been held for all three fall sports. Softball and baseball teams competed in the O'Fallon Tournament last week. Softball took 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Cross Country first meet will be on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mrs. Norton reported that the first week of school has been off to a good start. The new policy limiting access to our building during the morning drop off has been successfully implemented by our staff with the help of our parents understanding the reasons behind this new procedure. We had a tremendous turn out for Meet the Teacher Night on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Wamser reported that the community meeting/open house was held from 5-7 p.m. prior to the board meeting. The updated building plans are in the board packet. Once the budget is approved in September, we will update the projections and present those to the finance committee in November.

Mr. Trentman reported on the Building and Grounds Committee update. The committee met several times with FGM during the last month. Bid process is still set to begin in November/December timeframe. There have been some site design issues that we are currently working with the Village of Smithton on how to resolve as it relates to relocating storm sewer. The Village has been very receptive to working with the district to come up with a solution. A handful of people showed up for the community meeting tonight. The board received some feedback related to the use of interior cabinets (eliminate need for locks) and the playground.

### **Consent Agenda Items**

Approved the following: Regular Board Meeting Minutes from July 23, 2019; District bills as presented in the packet for payment, additional (8) bills presented at the board meeting, prior month payroll liabilities, Treasurer's Report and other district financial reports.

A motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented was made by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Mr. Whitworth. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Schwemmer, Mr. Whitworth, Ms. Pipher, Mr. Trentman, Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. Barschak, Mr. Lester

Nays: None.

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### **Unfinished Business**

Consider Board Policy Updates

2:110 Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers  
2:140 Communications To and From the Board  
2:140-E Exhibit-Guidance for Board Member Communications  
2:240 Board Policy Development  
2:230 Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings  
4:20 Fund Balances  
5:180 Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity  
3:60 Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal  
4:90 Activity Funds  
5:35 Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act  
5:40 Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease  
5:130 Responsibilities Concerning Internal Information  
5:310 Compensatory Time-Off  
6:40 Curriculum Development  
6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program  
6:110 Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure  
7:170 Vandalism

A motion to accept the Board Policy Updates as presented was made by Mr. Trentman, seconded by Ms. Pipher. All Ayes, motion passes 7-0.

### **New Business**

A motion to make available the FY20 Tentative Budget for public inspection for at least 30 days beginning on August 21, 2019 and that the administration be authorized to provide a public hearing of said budget at 7:00 p.m. on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019 was made by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Mr. Trentman. All Ayes, motion passes 7-0.

### **Information**

Dr Wamser reported that the current enrollment reached its highest at 556 students.

Several board members commented on how positive and well attended the "Meet the Teacher Night" was. The building looked very clean and made a good first impression on both new and returning parents.

**Closed Session**

No closed session.

**Personnel**

A motion to approve the substitute rate of pay as presented in Exhibit E-11.1 was made by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Mr. Trentman. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Schwemmer, Mr. Whitworth, Ms. Pipher, Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. Barschak, Mr. Whitworth, Mr. Lester.

Nays: None.

A motion to approve the coaches and sponsors for the 2019-20 school year as presented in Exhibit E-11.2 was made by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Ms. Pipher. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call:


Ayes: Dr. Schwemmer, Ms. Pipher, Mr. Trentman, Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. Barschak, Mr. Whitworth, Mr. Lester.

Nays: None.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Whitworth, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer to adjourn the meeting at 7:27p.m. All Ayes, motion passes 7-0.

  
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President

  
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Secretary