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**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**June 26th, 2023**

**Ms. Park Board President, called the Amended Budget Hearing to Order at 5:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. White, Mrs. Senecal, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Hutchison, Ms. Park, Mrs. Nyberg

**ABSENT:**  Mrs. Blanchard

Guests: Mrs. Strickler

Audience Participation: None

Mr. Mingus presented the amended budget to the board. He stated there is a surplus in all four operating funds for FY24. The Budget will seem larger again this year due to all the Covid money we received. Mr. Mingus will go into more detail in his superintendent report. He said the overall budget looks good. The board had no questions.

At 5:05 p.m. Mrs. Senecal made the MOTION TO ADJOURN THE AMENDED BUDGET HEARING. Ms. Park seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL IN FAVOR: YES

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Audience Participation: None

Mrs. Senecal made the MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF REGULAR-SESSION MINUTES from MAY 22, 2023. Mrs. Nyberg seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES:MRS. WHITE, MRS. SENECAL, MR. HOLLOWAY, MR. HUTCHISON, MS. PARK, MRS. NYBERG. Motion Carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**:

Mr. Mingus discussed the FY23 Budget review. He will now be creating the FY24 Budget to be presented as tentative in August with an approval in September. The 2023-2024 School year will have started before our next board meeting. At this point we are fully staffed. We are anticipating needing to hire three paraprofessionals. Mrs. White asked what the pay is for a para. As of now it is $14 and will go to $15 on Jan 1. We are comparable when it comes to the pay. We will have an LED light upgrade. Jason got in contact with an Ameren contractor who came out and gave us an estimate for the changes. Estimated cost for upgrades to all interior and exterior lights is $8,118. The estimated savings for year 1 is over $9,000. Mr. Mingus said the important thing he took from this is that the life span of an LED light is 10 years when operated 5 days a week for 8-10 hours per day. We are nowhere near that here with being off in the summer. This is a really good deal to get all of this upgraded. Mr. Mingus updated the Board on Faith's Law. This will bring extra work when we hire a new employee. When we hire we will have to contact any old employers and see if the employee was ever investigated for any sexual misconduct. With this information we have the ability to hire or not. Ms. Park stated she would like the results brought to the board for discussion if it is found that a potential hire has been investigated. Mr. Mingus has to go back and look but it is believed that it is misconduct with students only or if it includes faculty. Mr. Mingus informed the Board that we have secured the permit for the new sign outside. The goal is to have it built by July 24th and installed before school starts. The Village will be using out parking lot and front lot during its 4th of July event. Mr. Mingus stated he will be leaving the gate locked. They can use the area for the emergency crew vehicles that will be brought out for the patrons to look at. It was also asked if they could use our power for the bouncy houses. Mr. Mingus did not allow this, as we trip breakers and we do not want people in and out of the building. The Village asked about have a float in the parade. There was a large discussion that we should have our teams involved. Especially with the fact that there could potentially have other schools represented in the parade. There will be no July Meeting.

Mrs. White left at 5:30pm.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

Mr. Holloway made the MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Approval of Annual Resolution Addressing Serious Transportation Safety Hazard
2. Approval of Final 2022-2023 School Calendar
3. Approval of Updated/Amended Unland Companies Insurance Renewal
4. Approval of Breanna Thomas as District’s Recording Secretary for 2023-2024 school year
5. Approval of Rachel Bursott’s Resignation
6. Approval of Caitlin LeCrone as an Elementary Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year
7. Approval of Phillips and Salmi and Associates for FY23 audit
8. Approval of 2023-2024 Meeting Dates and Times
9. Approval of 2023 Summer Pay Rate for Teachers
10. Approval Milk Bid
11. Approval of Non-Certified FY24 Contracts
    1. Felicia Kennedy
    2. Jason Deppert
    3. Breanne Thomas
    4. Karie Parker
    5. Jewel Billen
    6. Billie Billen
    7. Tom Ogle
12. Approval of Part-Time Summer Maintenance Workers
    1. Billie Billen
    2. Ron Drinkwater
    3. Paul Simms

Mr. Hutchison seconded the motion . ROLL CALL VOTE YES: MRS. WHITE, MRS. SENECAL, MR. HOLLOWAY, MR. HUTCHISON, MS. PARK, MRS. NYBERG. Motion Carried.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Mrs. Senecal made the MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED FY24 BUDGET. Mrs. Holloway seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES MRS. WHITE, MRS. SENECAL, MR. HOLLOWAY, MR. HUTCHISON, MS. PARK, MRS. NYBERG. Motion Carried.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Mrs. Senecal made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORTS, PAYMENT OF BILLS AND PRE-ATHORIZATION TO PAY JULY BILLS. Mr. Hutchison seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES MRS. WHITE, MRS. SENECAL, MR. HOLLOWAY, MR. HUTCHISON, MS. PARK, MRS. NYBERG. Motion Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mr. Mingus informed the board that he will need sizes for staff shirts from the board members, if they would like one.

Mr. Mingus again announced there will be NO meeting in July.

At 5:32p.m. Mrs. Nyberg made the MOTION TO ADJOURN UNTIL NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING AUGUST 28nd, 2023. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL IN FAVOR: YES

Ms. Park, Board President Mrs. Senecal, Board Secretary