**SOUTH PEKIN GRADE SCHOOL DISTRICT 137**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**DECEMBER 16th, 2021**

**\*\*Please Note:\*\***

***Everyone in attendance is fever-free and are required to wear a mask.***

***South Pekin School District 137 will continue to practice social distancing during meetings as advised through the guidelines set by the IDPH.***

**Mr. Mingus, Superintendent called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Everhart, Mrs. Senecal, Mrs. Blanchard, Mrs. White, Mr. Holloway, Mrs. Chambers (via telephone), Mrs. Lamberson (via telephone)

Audience Participation: None

Mrs. Senecal made the MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF REGULAR-SESSION MINUTES from NOVEMBER 23RD, 2020. Mrs. Chambers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. EVERHART, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. BLANCARD, MRS. WHITE, MR. HOLLOWAY, MRS. CHAMBERS, MRS. LAMBERSON. Motion Carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**:

Mr. Mingus told the Board that they do not have any executive session minutes to keep sealed or release to the public. He then gave the Board updates on the HVAC project, telling them that the target completion date is still March. Mr. Mingus then went over the employment items on the agenda, and he told the Board that they would be approving the School Improvement plan. Mr. Mingus then told the Board that Mrs. Vohland would be starting her FMLA leave in the near future. Mr. Mingus then told the Board that the policy they would be adopting is the Bullying Policy. Mr. Mingus then went over the two resolutions on the consent agenda. He publically stated that the Christmas bonus was $232. He told the Board that this number allowed every employee to net at least $200.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

Mrs. Everhart made the MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Approval of Phillips and Salmi and Associates for FY22 Audit
2. Approval of Marissa Nelson as Yearbook Sponsor for 2021-2022 School Year
3. Approval of Karie Parker as 2nd Shift Custodian for the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year
4. Approval of South Pekin Grade School’s School Improvement Plan
5. Approval of Natalie Vohland’s FMLA Leave
6. Approval of Amended Board Policy 7:180 (Bullying Policy)
7. Approval of Resolution to Include Compensation Paid Under an IRS Code Section 125 as IMRF Earnings
8. Approval of Resolution Approving Christmas Bonus for South Pekin Grade School Staff

Mrs. Blanchard seconded the motion ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. EVERHART, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. BLANCARD, MRS. WHITE, MR. HOLLOWAY, MRS. CHAMBERS, MRS. LAMBERSON. Motion Carried.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Mr. Mingus told the Board that the first action item was the 2021 Levy. He told the Board that the levy was $415,926. Mrs. Blanchard made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE 2021 TAX LEVY. Mrs. White seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. EVERHART, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. BLANCARD, MRS. WHITE, MR. HOLLOWAY, MRS. CHAMBERS, MRS. LAMBERSON. Motion Carried.

Mr. Mingus told the Board that the second action item was the 1st payment to PIPCO for the cafeteria HVAC project. He told the Board the bill was $55,755. Mr. Holloway made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF PAYMENT #1 to PIPCO COMPANIES FOR CAFETERIA HVAC PROJECT. Mrs. Senecal seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. EVERHART, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. BLANCARD, MRS. WHITE, MR. HOLLOWAY, MRS. CHAMBERS, MRS. LAMBERSON. Motion Carried.

Mr. Mingus told the Board that the third action item was the 1st payment to PIPCO for the gymnasium HVAC project. He told the Board the bill was $56,475. Mrs. Blanchard made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF PAYMENT #1 to PIPCO COMPANIES FOR GYMNASIUM HVAC PROJECT. Mrs. Everhart seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. EVERHART, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. BLANCARD, MRS. WHITE, MR. HOLLOWAY, MRS. CHAMBERS, MRS. LAMBERSON. Motion Carried.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Mrs. Holloway made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORTS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS. Mrs. Senecal seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. EVERHART, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. BLANCARD, MRS. WHITE, MR. HOLLOWAY, MRS. CHAMBERS, MRS. LAMBERSON. Motion Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mr. Mingus reminded the board of the upcoming Christmas Break. The teachers will return to school on January 3rd, 2022 and the students will return on the 4th. Mr. Mingus also told the Board that the girls basketball team won its IESA Regional game. Mrs. Senecal also recognized Mrs. Strickler for earning the right to be acknowledged at a Riverman game.

Mrs. Chambers left the meeting at 5:12

At 5:12 p.m. Mrs. Everhart made the MOTION TO ADJOURN UNTIL NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING JANUARY 25TH, 2020. Mrs. Senecal seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL IN FAVOR: YES

Mrs. Chambers, Board President Mrs. Lamberson, Board Secretary

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**TAX LEVY HEARING**

**DECEMBER 16th, 2021**

**Mr. Mingus, Superintendent, called the Levy Hearing to Order at 4:46 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Blanchard, Mrs. Senecal, Mrs. White, Mrs. Chambers (via telephone), Mrs. Lamberson (via telephone)

**ABSENT:**  Mrs. Everhart

Guests: Mr. Mingus, Mrs. Strickler

Mrs. Everhart arrived late

**LEVY HEARING:** Mr. Mingus told the Board that the Levy they will be approving is the same as he proposed at last month’s meeting. There were no questions from the Board or public regarding the levy. Mr. Mingus publically stated that the levy being requested is $415,926.

Audience Participation: None

Mr. Holloway made a MOTION TO EXIT the Levy Hearing at 5:00 p.m. Mrs. White SECONDED THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. EVERHART MRS. SENECAL, MRS. BLANCARD, MRS. WHITE, MR. HOLLOWAY, MRS. CHAMBERS, MRS. LAMBERSON

Mrs. Chambers, Board President Mrs. Lamberson, Board Secretary