**SOUTH PEKIN GRADE SCHOOL DISTRICT 137**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**JANUARY 24th, 2022**

**\*\*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. Senecal, Mrs. Blanchard, Mrs. White, Mrs. Lamberson, Mrs. Blanchard (via telephone)

ABSENT: Mr. Holloway, Mrs. Everhart, Mrs. Chambers

Audience Participation: None

Mrs. Senecal made the MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF REGULAR-SESSION MINUTES from DECEMBER 16TH, 2021 and the LEVY HEARING from DECEMBER 16TH, 2021. Mrs. Lamberson seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. SENECAL, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. WHITE, MRS. LAMBERSON, MRS. BLANCHARD. Motion Carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**:

Mr. Mingus told the Board that his superintendent’s report would be fairly brief. He started by giving the Board a quick review of the standardized tests the students take. He talked about the MAP test, as well as the IAR test that the student will take in the spring. Mr. Mingus then gave the board an update on the HVAC project in the cafeteria and the gym. He told the Board that the tentative completion date is still March. Mr. Mingus then told the Board that he is looking to find a company who could be contracted out for the parking lot snow removal. He told the Board that he has never liked using the tractor to remove snow, as it is hard on the parking lot. Mr. Mingus then talked to the Board about hiring a full time assistant principal to replace Ms. Blair. He told the Board that he would like to recognize Ms. Blair at the May Board meeting. Doing so would require the May Board meeting to be moved so that individuals could have time to discuss the positive impact Ms. Blair has had on the school and community. Mr. Mingus also told the Board that he would be posting the Assistant Principal position soon. The final thing that Mr. Mingus talked about was his superintendent’s evaluation. He told the Board that he would send it out to each Board member, and he asked that the Board members fill it out before the next meeting.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

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

1. Approval of Cassandra Brock as Kitchen Worker for Remainder of 2021-2022 School Year
2. Approval of Alexis Pusey as Kitchen Worker for the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year
3. Approval of Melissa Strickler as Head Track Coach for the 2022 Season
4. Approval of Christie Montgomery’s Resignation
5. Approval of Contract with American Institute for Research

Mrs. White seconded the motion ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. SENECAL, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. WHITE, MRS. LAMBERSON, MRS. BLANCHARD. Motion Carried.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Mr. Mingus told the Board that the first action item was the 2nd payment to PIPCO for the cafeteria HVAC project. He told the Board the bill was $14,512.50. Mrs. Blanchard made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF PAYMENT #2 to PIPCO COMPANIES FOR CAFETERIA HVAC PROJECT. Mrs. Lamberson seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. SENECAL, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. WHITE, MRS. LAMBERSON, MRS. BLANCHARD. Motion Carried.

Mr. Mingus told the Board that the second action item was the 2nd payment to PIPCO for the gymnasium HVAC project. He told the Board the bill was $18,000. Mrs. Senecal made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF PAYMENT #2 to PIPCO COMPANIES FOR GYMNASIUM HVAC PROJECT. Mrs. Lamberson seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. SENECAL, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. WHITE, MRS. LAMBERSON, MRS. BLANCHARD. Motion Carried.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Mrs. Blanchard made a MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORTS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS. Mrs. Lamberson seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE YES- MRS. SENECAL, MRS. SENECAL, MRS. WHITE, MRS. LAMBERSON, MRS. BLANCHARD. Motion Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mrs. Lamberson informed the Board that she and her husband would be moving in the near future. She said that she did not have a timeline, but she would be sure to keep the Board informed of her plans.

At 5:23 p.m. Mrs. Lamberson made the MOTION TO ADJOURN UNTIL NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING FEBRUARY 28TH, 202. Mrs. Blanchard seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL IN FAVOR: YES

Board President Board Secretary