

Date: December 19, 2022
To: Pana CUSD #8 Board of Education
From: Mr. Jason J. Bauer, Superintendent
Subject: **Superintendent's Report and Board Actions for December 19, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.**

BOARD AGENDA NOTES

2 Consent Agenda Items – Please contact me or Nicole Blodgett prior to the meeting if you have any questions with any of the listed items. I will review the cafeteria report and compare where we are at this year compared with last year at this time. There are no FOIA requests for the month. There is also an overnight band ensemble rehearsal and performance proposal that has been requested for a couple of students in January that takes place in Peoria. We are recommending its approval and are including it because it is an overnight trip.

- A. Reading/Approval of Minutes
- B. Approval of Bills and Payroll
- C. Treasurer's Report
- D. FOIA Request(s)
- E. Overnight Band Ensemble Rehearsal and Performance

Action: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda inclusive of payables totaling \$2,004,870.88 and payroll totaling \$879,385.82 for a total payables and payroll of \$2,884,256.70.

3 Visitor, Teacher & Support Staff Considerations

- There are no visitor requests at this time.

4 Committee Reports

- A. Facilities – Did not meet this month. Next Meeting: January 4, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.
- B. Finance – Did not meet this month. Next Meeting – Friday, January 13, 2023 at 6:30 a.m.
- C. Curriculum – Anne Dorn and Mr. Donahue will provide a brief overview of the meeting that took place on December 7th. Next Meeting: TBD
- D. Policy – James Moon and I will provide a summary of the December 12th meeting. Next Meeting: TBD

Action: Motion to approve the 1st Reading of the Press Service policy updates as presented at the policy committee meeting.

- E. Pana Education Foundation – I will provide a brief update of our November 22ND meeting. Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at 7:00 a.m.
- F. Technology – Did not meet this month. Next Meeting: TBD
- G. Strategic Plan – Did not meet this month. Next Meeting: TBD
- H. I.D.E.A.S. – Did not meet this month. Next Meeting: TBD

5 Administrative Reports

- A. **Principals** – The building principals will be in attendance. They have submitted reports for you to review.
- B. **Buildings and Transportation** – Jeff Stauder will provide an overview of his report.
- C. **Curriculum and Instruction** – Mr. Donahue will be present to provide his report.
- D. **Superintendent’s Report/Board Action**

1. Personnel Recommendations.

Action: Motion to approve the Superintendent’s personnel recommendations as reviewed and presented from the executive session notes. **This will be done after executive session is over.**

- 2. **2022 Tax Levy** – One month ago I provided an in-depth analysis of the levy request. Tonight, I am providing a synopsis of the levy request. The EAV from Shelby County had a significant increase since I last presented the Tentative Levy in November. Due to the increase, I had to make some adjustments in order to keep us below the Truth in Taxation threshold. The recommended levy dollar amounts have increased due to the higher EAV in all categories with the exception of Tort, which has been decreased by \$29,860.87. This will not pose a problem due to the healthy fund balance currently in the Tort Fund.

In summary, I am recommending an increase of 4.98% from the previous year. This amounts to a 6.84% (including Bond + Interest) increase with this year’s tax levy and this recommended increase amounts to **\$438,132**. If the projections hold true this would translate into **\$248,890** new dollars for the Education Fund, **\$48,802** new dollars for the Operation and Maintenance (Building) Fund, and **\$19,520** for the Transportation Fund. This would be a total increase of **\$317,212** in the three primary operating funds. Overall, this actually will decrease the tax rate by \$0.03 from a year ago if the projections hold true.

A new requirement this year is that during the tax levy presentation a District must review the current year opening fund balances. The following were the final audited fund balances that we began the current fiscal year with as of 7/1/22.

Education Fund (10): \$13,037,627
 Operations and Maintenance (20): \$786,963
 Debt Service (30): \$768,264
 Transportation (40): \$527,162
 Municipal Retirement / Social Security (50): \$594,361
 Capital Projects (60): \$1,425,162
 Working Cash (70): \$2,367,653
 Tort (80): \$1,017,138
 Fire Prevention and Safety (90): \$234,742

Action: Motion to approve the District's 2022 Tax Levy.

- 3. Resolution abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2022 to pay debt service on the General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019, of Community Unit School District Number 8, Christian, Shelby and Montgomery Counties, Illinois** – This will become a regular occurrence until the alternate revenue bond principal and interest is paid off. The abatement resolution is necessary and needs to be passed by the Board and delivered to the County Clerk prior to the end of February 2023 in order to prevent property taxes from being collected during the 2023 calendar year for the bond issue. The 1% sales tax revenue has been pledged to pay for this bond over the next 3 years. This is year 4 of 5.

Action: Motion to approve the resolution abating taxes heretofore levied for the year 2022 to pay debt service on the General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019, of Community Unit School District Number 8, Christian, Shelby and Montgomery Counties, Illinois.

- 4. NPT Special Education Report** – I will provide an overview of the meeting that took place on November 22nd.

Action: Information only.

6 Executive Session (Optional)

- A. Discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, student concerns, litigation, and collective negotiating matters.
- B. Employment/Compensation/Resignation Recommendations

Action: Motion to enter executive session for the discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, student concerns, litigation, and collective negotiating matters, as well as employment/compensation resignation recommendations.

Action: Motion to return from the executive session to the regular meeting.

Action: Motion to approve executive session minutes as read.

Action: Motion to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as reviewed and presented from the executive session notes.

7 Communications

- A. Alliance Legislative Report
- B. Capitol Watch
- C. Association of Illinois Rural and Small Schools (AIRSS)
- D. Other Board Correspondence

8 Board Member Considerations

- A. Other Board Member Considerations

9 Adjournment

Action: We will need a motion to adjourn the meeting.