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- JULY 19, 2023            I    A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 was held in the Henry-Senachwine High School Media Center, 1023 College Ave., Henry, Illinois on Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at 7:02 p.m..
- PRESENT                    II    There were present in person: James Downey, Jeremy Kiesewetter, Melissa Thompson, and Randy Witko comprising a quorum of the Board.
- ABSENT                     There were absent: Lori DeWeerth, Angie Earles, and Mary Jo Klein.
- APPROVE AGENDA        III    Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the agenda with an **addition or deletion or correction** of the following items:
- Add:  
5.12 Resignation  
10.03 Capital Projects Update  
Strike:  
6.08 Employ Paraprofessional
- Roll Call: Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko.
- Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.
- RECOGNITION            IV    Recognition of guests: Angela Kalsto, Chris Tyra, and Michelle Wiesbrock.  
OF GUESTS  
CORRESPONDENCE        4.01 – Public Participation  
4.02 – Thank You
- APPROVE CONSENT        V    Motion by James Downey, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the consent agenda be  
AGENDA                    approved as presented.
- Roll Call: Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey.
- Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.
- 5.01 Approve the June 21, 2023 Regular Board meeting minutes.  
5.02 Approve COT membership for 2023-24 to include Dr. Michael Miller, Mrs. Angela Merboth, Dr. Jon Hill, Rita Self, Lori Stenstrom, and Angie Smith.  
5.03 Approve the end-of-year HSHS Activity report.  
5.04 Approve the end-of-year HSGS/JH Activity report.  
5.05 Approve the HSHS Mallard Athletic Club (MAC), combining LMAC and Red Krush to create one club.  
5.06 Accept and approve the resignation from HSGS/JH Art Teacher, Michelle Johnson.  
5.07 Accept and approve the resignation from HSGS/JH Custodian, Eva Holmstrom, effective May 26, 2023.  
5.08 Accept and approve the resignation from HSGS/JH Paraprofessional, Katie Robbins.  
5.09 Accept and approve the resignation from HSGS/JH Lunchroom Supervisor, Ann Lindstrom.  
5.10 Accept and approve the resignation from HSHS Assistant Boys' Basketball

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Coach, Ryan Thompson.

- 5.11 Accept and approve the resignation from HSHS Cross Country Coach and HSHS Track & Field Coach, Jarrod Lester.
- 5.12 Accept and approve the resignation from HSGS/JH Head Girls' Basketball Coach, Erik Greenwood.
- 5.13 Approve Austin Price as a Volunteer HSGS/JH Assistant Baseball Coach.
- 5.14 Approve Lori Stenstrom as a Volunteer HSGS/JH Assistant Softball Coach.
- 5.15 Approve the employment of Rita Self as HSHS Athletic Director, with a stipend in the amount of \$8,778.00.
- 5.16 Approve the employment of Lori Stenstrom as HSGS/JH Athletic Director, with a stipend in the amount of \$8,778.00.
- 5.17 Approve the employment of Robert Eckert as part-time Choral Teacher, with a daily pay rate of \$384.76, for a maximum of 120 days during the 2023-2024 school year.
- 5.18 Approve the employment of Summer Maintenance Workers Nate Guarnieri and Mason Guarnieri, with a pay rate of \$15.00, pending the results of a criminal background check.
- 5.19 Approve the employment of Chelsey Kempf as HSGS/JH Cafeteria Technician, with a pay rate of \$14.00 per hour.
- 5.20 Approve the employment of Carrie Meffert as HSHS Head Cross Country Coach, with a stipend in the amount of \$4,240.91.
- 5.21 Approve the employment of Jared Fidler as HSHS Bass Fishing Sponsor, with a stipend in the amount of \$588.42.
- 5.22 Approve the employment of Rita Self as HSHS MAC Sponsor, with a stipend in the amount of \$1,337.10.
- 5.23 Approve the employment of Marsha Klein as a Substitute Teacher for Maternity Leave.
- 5.24 Approve the employment of Max Kirbach as HSHS MDWAP Sponsor, with a stipend in the amount of \$1,223.64.
- 5.25 Approve the HSHS/LaSalle-Peru High School Swimming/Diving Co-op Agreements as presented and Authorize the Superintendent to approve a Swimming/Diving IGA with LaSalle-Peru High School on behalf of the HSCUD5 Board of Education.
- 5.26 Approve the July BMP bills and payroll.

APPROVE BILLS,  
PAYROLL AND  
FINANCIALS

- VI 6.01 Motion by Mary Jo Klein, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve bills, payroll and financial information including:
  - 1. Balance Sheet
  - 2. Investment Schedule
  - 3. Financial Report Summary
  - 4. July Bills

Roll Call: Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

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APPROVE TRAVEL-RELATED EXPENSES

6.02 Motion by the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 to approve the travel-related expenses for members of the Board of Education, and for employees of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 as presented.

None

EMPLOY HSGS/JH MATH INTERVENTIONIST

6.03 Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by James Downey, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the employment of Ann Elliott as an HSGS/JH Math Interventionist, with a salary of \$46,400.00 including TRS, pending the results of a criminal background check and employment history review.

Roll Call: Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

EMPLOY HSHS MATH TEACHER

6.04 Motion by Melissa Thompson, seconded by James Downey, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the employment of Christina Aldrich as an HSHS Math Teacher, with a salary of \$52,000.00 including TRS, pending the results of a criminal background check and an employment history review.

Roll Call: Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

EMPLOY HSGS/JH SP ED/K-2 TEACHER

6.05 Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by James Downey, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the employment of Stacey Hamby-Kemp as an HSGS/JH Special Education K-2 Teacher with a salary of \$40,000.00 including TRS, pending teacher licensure and certification as well as the results of a criminal background check and an employment history review.

Roll Call: Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

EMPLOY HSGS/JH SP ED/K-2 LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

6.06 Motion by Melissa Thompson, seconded by Jeremy Kiesewetter, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the employment of Amber Warner as a long-term substitute teacher in the HSGS/JH Special Education K-2 classroom with a pay rate of \$222.23 per day including TRS, pending receipt of her substitute license as well as the results of a criminal background check and an employment history review.

Roll Call: Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey, Yea; Earles, Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

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EMPLOY HSGS/JH  
LONG-TERM  
SUBSTITUTE ART  
TEACHER

6.07 Motion by James Downey, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the employment of Rhianna Brown as a long-term substitute HSGS/JH Art teacher with a pay rate of \$222.23 per day including TRS, pending the results of a criminal background check and an employment history review.

Roll Call: Yea; Downey, Yea; Earles, Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

STRIKE

6.08 STRIKE – Motion to employ HSGS/JH Paraprofessional.

EMPLOY HSGS/JH  
PARAPROFESSIONAL

6.09 Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by James Downey, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the employment of Mary Jackson as an HSGS/JH Paraprofessional, with a pay rate of \$100.00 per day, pending the results of a criminal background check and an employment history review.

Roll Call: Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

APPROVE  
MAINTENANCE  
CONTRACT

6.10 Motion by James Downey, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the Maintenance Contract renewal with Helm Mechanical for one year, in the amount of \$19,140.00

Roll Call: Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

APPROVE HSHS &  
HSGS/JH  
HANDBOOK  
CHANGES

6.11 Motion by James Downey, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the HSHS & HSGS/JH Handbook changes as presented.

Roll Call: Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

APPROVE BOARD  
POLICIES

6.12 Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by James Downey, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve Board Policies – PRESS Issue #112 as follows:

2:80	2:170	2:80-E	4:45	4:100	6:10	6:190
6:240	7:275	7:305	7:330	8:20	8:25	8:95

Roll Call: Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

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APPROVE HOME  
SCHOOL STUDENT  
ATHLETIC &  
EXTRACURRICULAR  
PARTICIPATION  
POLICY

6.13 Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the Home School Student and Athletic & Extracurricular Participation Policy as presented.

Roll Call: Yea; Witko, Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

APPROVE BUS  
DISPOSAL

6.14 Motion by James Downey, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the disposal of Bus #10, VIN 10069, 2005 Ford.

Roll Call: Yea; Downey, Yea; Kiesewetter, Yea; Thompson, Yea; Witko.

Yea 4, Nay 0, Absent 3. Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER  
REPORTS,  
REQUESTS &  
ARTICLES

VII Board Member Reports/Requests/Articles:

PRINCIPALS'  
REPORTS

VIII PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

GRADE & JUNIOR  
HIGH SCHOOL  
PRINCIPAL'S  
REPORT

8.01 Grade/Jr. High School Principal, Mrs. Merboth:

Henry-Senachwine Grade & Jr. High School  
Principal Report  
July 19, 2023

- ❖ We are looking forward to offering a Summer School Jump Start Program that begins on Monday, July 24th. The program will run for three weeks for students entering 1st-8th grade in the Fall. Participation was determined based on the Spring MAP Math, Reading, and Language Benchmark scores as well as teacher recommendation. We have 46 students signed up to participate. Summer School will run Monday-Thursday; 9-11:30. Students will be offered breakfast and a mid-morning snack.
- ❖ 23-24 Registration will be offered online through TeacherEase July 24-August 4. Any parent needing assistance can schedule an in-person appointment with the office.
- ❖ Softball will kick off the season with a parent meeting on July 23rd and Baseball on 3/30.
- ❖ Teacher's Institute will be held on August 21st and 22nd. We will host a Parent/Student Open House for K-5 on August 21st from 6:00-7:00 PM and JH Orientation from 7:00-8:00 PM.

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HIGH SCHOOL  
PRINCIPAL'S  
REPORT

VIII 8.02 High School Principal, Dr. Hill:

HENRY-SENACHWINE HIGH SCHOOL  
JULY 19, 2023  
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Registration will begin on Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at HSHS. Registration will be online and run through Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Those needing assistance are able to come into HSHS to register if necessary.
- Cross-Country, Golf, and Volleyball will begin practices on Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. Golf opens their season on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at the Midland Tournament. Volleyball travels to LaMoille on Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> for their first match. Cross-Country runs their first meet on Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at Three Sisters Park.
- Boys Basketball held a Summer Camp here at HSHS July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 12<sup>th</sup>. Coach Westerdahl and the crew had about 40 campers.
- Teachers' Institute will be held on Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. HSHS will hold our annual Orientation/Welcome Night for the Class of 2027 on Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

IX Superintendent's Report:

- 9.01 District Staffing
- 9.02 HSGS/JH HVAC & Roofing Projects – Update

DISCUSSION  
ITEMS

X Discussion Items:

- 10.01 IASB Conference
- 10.02 Master Facility Planning

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

XI No Motion – No Executive Session

ADJOURN MEETING

XII Motion by Melissa Thompson, seconded by James Downey, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 adjourn its meeting at 9:59 p.m..

Roll Call: Voice Vote. Motion carried.