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DECEMBER 20, 2023

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, December 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m..

PRESENT

II There were present in person: Lori DeWeerth, James Downey, Angie Earles, Jeremy Kiesewetter, Mary Jo Klein, Melissa Thompson, and Randy Witko comprising a quorum of the Board.

ABSENT

There were absent: None.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Lori DeWeerth, seconded by Angie Earles, 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:

III

Assessment Appeal

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS CORRESPONDENCE

IV Recognition of guests: Joyce Kiesewetter, Beckie Dunshee, Aimee Kiesewetter, Lance Kiesewetter and Logan Kiesewetter.

4.01 – Public Participation

4.02 – Student of the Month – Lance Kiesewetter

4.03 - Thank You Card

4.04 - 2023 Levy Presentation:

Ed Fund	\$ 3,696,000	Fire Prevention	\$ 67,147	
O&M	767,348	TORT	270,000	
Transportation	257,000	Special Education	53,717	
Working Cash	67,147	Lease Levy	67,147	
IMRF	75,000			
Social Security	75,000	TOTAL	\$ 5,395,506	

FY24 Projected Fund Balances:

Fund 10	\$ 1,320,449
Fund 20	206,748
Fund 30	328
Fund 40	321,753
Fund 50	233,863
Fund 70	3,138,811
Fund 80	51,458
Fund 90	320,074

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

V

Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by Lori DeWeerth, that the consent agenda be approved as presented.

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

- 5.01 Approve the November 15, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes.
- 5.02 Approve the December 11, 2023 Special Board Meeting minutes.
- 5.03 Approve the BMP bills and payroll.
- 5.04 Approve the Risk Management Program Resolution as presented.
- 5.05 Approve the Illinois minimum wage increase from \$13.00 to \$14.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2024.
- 5.06 Approve the employment of Ted Rowe as HSHS Head Baseball Coach, with a stipend in the amount of \$5,244.14.
- 5.07 Accept and approve the resignation from HSGS/JH Food Service Dishwasher, Jackie Mobley, effective December 22, 2023.
- 5.08 Accept and approve the resignation from HSGS/JH Substitute Art Teacher, Rhianna Brown, effective December 1, 2023.
- 5.09 Approve the employment of Steve Montgomery as a part-time substitute Bus Monitor, with a pay rate of \$14.00 per hour, pending the results of an Employment History Review and criminal background check.
- 5.10 Approve the employment of William Coffey as a part-time substitute Bus Driver, with a pay rate of \$20,00 per hour, pending the results of an Employment History Review and criminal background check.
- 5.11 Approve the employment of Will Meachum and Clinton Schlosser as HSHS Freshman Boys' Basketball Coaches, with a split stipend in the amount of \$1,140.03 for Will Meachum and \$1,140.02 for Clinton Schlosser. Clinton Schlosser will provide athletic training duties primarily if a conflict arises.
- 5.12 Approve Pierce Westerdahl as an HSHS Boys' Basketball Volunteer Coach, pending the results of an Employment History Review and a criminal background check.
- 5.13 Approve the employment of Donna Kessling as an Assistant HSHS Track & Field Coach, with a stipend in the amount of \$2,964.08, pending the results of an Employment History Review.
- 5.14 Approve the employment of Erika Dean as an HSGS/JH Art Teacher, with a salary of \$40,000.00 per year including TRS, pending required Licensure and Certification, and the results of an Employment History Review and criminal background check.
- 5.15 Ratify the 2-year electrical supply contract approved with Constellation Energy for \$0.08208 per kwh, effective January 11, 2024 through January 10, 2026.
- 5.16 Approve the employment of George Beaumont as a Substitute HSGS/JH Custodian, with a pay rate of \$13.00 per hour.

APPROVE BILLS, PAYROLL AND FINANCIALS

- VI 6.01 Motion by Angie Earles, seconded by Mary Jo Klein, 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. December Bills

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

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

APPROVE FY23 TAX LEVY

6.03 Motion by James Downey, seconded by Melissa Thompson, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the 2023 Tax Levy as follows:

Ed Fund	\$3,696,000	Fire Prevention \$	67,147
O&M	767,348	TORT	270,000
Transportation	257,000	Special Education	53,717
Working Cash	67,147	Lease Levy	67,147
IMRF	75,000		
Social Security	75,000	TOTAL	\$5,395,506

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE FY23 TAX LEVY/TRUTH IN TAXATION RESOLUTION

6.04 Motion by Mary Jo Klein, seconded by Lori DeWeerth, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the 2023 Tax Levy/Truth in Taxation Resolution.

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE TRUTH IN TAXATION CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

6.05 Motion by Jeremy Kiesewetter, seconded by James Downey, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the 2023 Truth in Taxation Certificate of Compliance.

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE EMERGENCY HEALTH/ LIFE SAFETY AMENDMENT #24 6.06 Motion by Lori DeWeerth, seconded by Angie Earles, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 approve the Emergency Health/Life Safety Amendment #24 – HSGS/JH Gym Roof as presented.

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

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BOARD MEMBER REPORTS, REQUESTS & ARTICLES VII Board Member Reports/Requests/Articles:

PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

REPORT

VIII PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

GRADE & JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S 8.01 Grade/Jr. High School Principal, Mrs. Merboth:

Henry-Senachwine Grade & Jr. High School Principal Report December 20, 2023

- Henry-Senachwine Grade & Jr. High School currently has 405 students in grades PreK-8 enrolled for the 23-24 school year. There are 4 outplaced students.
- Congratulations to the HSGS/JH Competition Dance Team for qualifying for State!
- ❖ Choir and Band students participated in the Winter Concert at HSHS on 12/10.
- ♦ HSGS/JH students in grades 2-8 participated in Classroom Spelling Bees the week of December 4th. Congratulations to all of the classroom winners and runner ups. Classroom winners participated in the School Spelling Bee on December 11. Congratulations to the 2023 HSGS/JH Spelling Bee Winner Leah Chambers. Leah will move on to participate in the regional spelling bee in February.
- ❖ HSGS/JH students enjoyed shopping at the Santa Secret Shop hosted by Cardinal Corps the week of December 11th.
- ❖ Junior High students enjoyed an Effort & Conduct Field Trip for 1st Quarter to the Peoria Rivermen game on December 14th.
- ❖ In response to the Targeted School Designation, HSGS/JH has begun the School Improvement Process. The School Improvement Team has been restructured to represent grade level bands/departments. The new team met for the first time on December 14th to review benchmark data, the needs assessment, School Improvement Process, School Improvement Plan, and to plan next steps. The team will meet monthly throughout the continuous improvement process.
- ❖ Anime Club hosted a Junior High Movie Night on December 15th.
- ❖ K-5 students participated in Christmas Programs on December 15th.
- ❖ Junior High will enjoy a virtual Authors visit on December 18th.
- ♦ HSGS/JH students will enjoy an ice cream sundae party on December 21st for their 2nd Quarter Celebration.
- Preschool students will participate in a Christmas Program on December 21st at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ HSGS/JH students will wrap up the 2nd Quarter with a pajama day, Red Stocking activities, and classroom holiday parties on December 22nd.

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Boys Basketball will celebrate 8th Grade Day on January 4th at home vs. Stark County.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT VIII 8.02 High School Principal, Dr. Hill:

HENRY-SENACHWINE HIGH SCHOOL DECEMBER 20, 2023 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Lance Kiesewetter is our December Student of the Month. We will recognize Lance at the December 20th, BOE Meeting.
- Winter Concerts for Band and Chorus were held on Sunday, December 10th.
- Olivia Berfgeld and Bella Gaspardo were selected to the ILMEA Honor Choir and were also named as ILMEA All-State Members.
- Lance Kiesewetter was named the Class 1A Player of the Year by the Illinois High School Baseball Coaches Association. Lance will be recognized at an Induction Ceremony at the Westin in Lombard on January 20th. Max Kirbach was named an Area Coaches of the Year by the Illinois High School Baseball Coaches Association. Max will also be recognized in Lombard during a gathering at the IHSBCA State Clinic on January 21st.
- Miss. Damerell took 4 students (Harper Schrock, Lexi Serpette, Daniel Hill, and Andon McQuade) to Illinois State Senator Tom Bennett's Fall Youth Advisory Council Meeting that was held in Pontiac, Illinois on Wednesday, December 6th. Students from around the 53rd District discussed public policy issues from the fall session. Miss Damerell and these students will attend the spring session in Springfield to further experience the legislative process and participate in a mock committee.
- Semester Exams will be held on Thursday, December 21st and Friday, December 22nd. Winter Break begins at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, December 22nd and runs through Thursday, January 4th. January 5th is a Teacher Institute Day and students resume on Monday, January 8th.
- Winter Sports are under way. Girls Basketball will be playing in the Earlville Holiday Tournament over break. Varsity Boys Basketball will be playing at Princeville over break. JV Boys Basketball will be playing at Midland over break. Tournament dates are all December 26th, 27th, and 28th.
- We have 14 students participating in the Mallard Mentoring Program sponsored by Marquis Energy this semester. We have 12 HSHS staff/faculty members that are serving as mentors.

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- Faculty and Staff were treated to an annual Holiday Lunch from Sullivans on Tuesday, December 19th.
- Abbie Stanbary was named an Illinois State Scholar by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. She was the only senior to receive this honor for the 2023-2024 school year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

IX Superintendent's Report:

9.01 IASB Resolution Report

9.02 Board Policies – PRESS Issue #113 – First Reading

9.03 Assessment Appeal

DISCUSSION ITEMS

X Discussion Items:

XI

10.01 Superintendent Evaluation

10.02 Athletic Program Purchases – HSHS Track & Field Items & HSHS Gym Banners

10.03 Master Facility Planning

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by James Downey, seconded by Angie Earles, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 go into executive session at 8:45 p.m. for the purpose of:

11.01 The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine it validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried.

OUT OF EXECTIVE SESSION

Motion by James Downey, seconded by Angie Earles, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 come out of executive session at 8:49 p.m..

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

Yea 7, Nay 0, Absent 0. Motion carried

ADJOURN MEETING XII

Motion by James Downey, seconded by Angie Earles, that the Board of Education of Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5 adjourn its meeting at 8:52 p.m..

Roll Call: Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Board President Board Secretary