

*Regular Meeting of the Board
of Education of School Dist. 190
Henry and Rock Island Counties, IL*

*November 12, 2020
Colona, IL*

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:31 p.m..

Present: Julie Wittenauer, Bill Rossow, Julie Arnold, Dennis Teichman (virtual), and Ricky McClintock, and Lindsey Trickey

Absent: Ray Kutzman

Also Present: Carl Johnson, Mike Carlson, Jessica Tucker, Amy Allen and Edith Glackin

There were no visitors or public participation to speak at this time.

The UEF reported that three teachers from the Colona

School District were awarded MiniGrants; they were Tiffany Dolk, Nancy Benson-Peterson and Susie Bizarri. The UEF is also continuing fundraising efforts for this year.

There was no PTA report for the month.

The Principal reported Students of the month: Mason VanTheemsche, Ellena Martin, Caleb Lenth, Raiden Kyser, Bradleigh Fox, Gio Campos, Jack Gallagher, Michael Perrigo, Marques Pantoja, Grace McCallister, Alecia Bryant, Tom Gonzalez, Daralyn Dietz and Aniya Mays. The staff prepared goodie bags for the students to hand out on the 29th and 30th. The PTA held an outdoor craft fair on October 24. We had a digital Veteran's Day presentation this year. The ROE will provide training at our January in-service day. One of the topics will be the Illinois Priority Standards. Smartboards, touchscreen chromebooks for kindergarten and document cameras have been ordered (Digital Equity Grant). K-5 teachers have received access to Reading A-Z and Raz Kids using the Digital Equity Grant as well.

The Athletic Director report informed the BOE that conference athletic directors met on November 6 to discuss the status of activities. Schools in attendance agreed that we are not able to discuss what activities could be held moving forward. Conference athletic directors will meet again in December to discuss an IESA alternative calendar and modified volleyball season. They will also discuss the scholastic bowl. The running club ended on Friday, October 30. There was an average of 109-15 students that attended.

The Technology Report listed items completed for the month which includes chromebook specifications and quotes, television repair, website review and BARK Web filtering troubleshooting.

General maintenance was reported for the month. Reports submitted from D. McDaniel and Matt Jones.

Covind-19 updates were given by Dr. Johnson to the BOE. There are currently 72 remote only students. Families are choosing quarantine time vs. testing if sent home for symptoms or due to close contact. Staff that has been out due to quarantine time has been able to work from home. Dr. Johnson has sent a letter and reminder to prepare CSD families for a quick transition to full remote instruction due to staffing issues.

A Motion was made by Bill Rossow, seconded, by Lindsay Trickey to approve Consent Agenda, which included the following items:

- 5a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from October 8, 2020*
- 5b. Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes from October 8, 2020*
- 5c. Approve Employment of Staff: None*
- 5d. Approve Resignations of Staff: None*
- 5e. Approve November 2020 Bills and Estimated Payment to be made prior to November 30th, District Treasurer's Report and approval of the October 2020 Activity Account.*

Roll Call Vote: Teichman (virtual) - aye; Wittenauer - aye; Arnold - aye; Trickey - aye; Rossow - aye; McClintock - aye; 6 ayes; no nays; one absent, Motion carried.

The 2020 Tax Levy is based upon an estimated 1.00 percent increase in Equalized Assessed Valuation of property. Using the EAV estimate times in the individual fund levy amounts provides an overall estimated 2.56 percent increase in the proposed overall amount for the 2020 Tax Levy. The Bond and Interest amount levied for this year is \$256,822 in 2019. The Bond and Interest levy will be abated by \$73,413 in Alternate Sales Tax revenues resulting in a 29 percent reduction in the Bond and Interest Levied on property taxes this year. This abatement will again lower the Colona School District #190 2019 Property Tax Levy by 1.02 percent. The estimated tax rate with the bond abatement is expected to slightly decrease from \$3.4812 to \$3.4748 in 2020.

A motion was made by Ricky McClintock, seconded by Julie Arnold to approve the 2020 Colona School District #190 Tentative Tax Levy as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rossow - aye; Wittenauer - aye; Arnold - aye; Trickey - aye; Teichman (virtual) - aye; McClintock - aye; 6 ayes; no nays; one absent, Motion Carried.

The BOE heard discussion on the Resolution to Abate the Tax levied for the year 2020 to pay debt service on General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Bonds) Series, of School District # 190, Henry and Rock Island Counties Illinois. This Resolution is abating \$73,413.25 in principal and interest for 2020 tax bills. This abatement will actually lower the total Colona School District #190 Property Tax Levy by 1.01 percent. The tax rate with the bond abatement

creates stability reflected in the 2019 tax levy that should reflect a slight decrease in the rate for homeowners.

A motion was made by Bill Rossow , seconded by Ricky McClintock to approve the Resolution to Abate the Tax levied for the year 2020 to pay debt service on General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Bonds) Series 2015, for the amount of \$73,413.25, of School District #190, Henry and ROck Island Counties, Illinois.

Roll Call Vote: Rossow - aye; Arnold - aye; Trickey - aye; Teichman (virtual) - aye; Wittenauer - aye; McClintock - aye; 6 ayes; no nays; one absent, Motion Carried.

The BOE discussed the Health Insurance renewal. Colona School District #190 is offering optional Dental and Vision plans to employees at no Board costs. The premiums for these optional benefits would be entirely employee paid. By moving the vision to VSP and dental to BCBS in a “package deal” the district will save 1% overall on health insurance.

A motion was made by Ricky McClintock; seconded by Julie Arnold to approve the Health Insurance Renewal with Blue Cross/Blue Shield with an average 0.29 percent decrease in annual premium costs.

Roll Call Vote: Dennis Teichman (virtual) - aye; Ricky McClintock - aye; Julie Arnold - aye; Bill Rossow - aye; Julie Wittenauer - aye; Lindsey Trickey - aye; 6 ayes; no nays; one absent; Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Ricky McClintock, seconded by Lindsey Trickey to enter closed session for Personnel to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees(s) of the district Pursuant to 5 ILCS (120/2 (c) (1); Discussion of Collective Negotiations with the Colona Education Association Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2).

Roll Call Vote: Wittenauer – aye; Rossow – aye; Teichman (virtual) - aye; Arnold - aye; McClintock - aye; Trickey - aye; 6 ayes; no nays, two absent, Motion carried

The board entered closed session at 7:21 p.m.

A Motion was made by Ricky McClintock seconded by Julie Arnold to return to open session at 7:42 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Rossow – aye; Wittenauer - aye; Teichman (virtual) - aye; McClintock - aye; Trickey – aye; Arnold - aye; 6 ayes; no nays, two absent, Motion carried

Dr. Johnson asked the BOE to begin to consider calendar ideas forFY 21. Dr. Johnson has also met with the calendar committee to begin to consider ideas for the upcoming school year.

In new business/ any other appropriate business the BOE was updated with the status of the furnace unit outside of N1. The unit will be installed on this upcoming Monday.

A Motion was made by Ricky McClintock, seconded by Lindsey Trickey to adjourn the meeting.

Voice Vote: 6 ayes; no nays, 1 absent, Motion carried

Having noted that all agenda items had been discussed, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

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