

**Minutes of the December 9, 2019  
Annual/Organizational School Board Meeting  
Starmont Community School District Board of Directors**

**1. Call to Order 2019-2020 Annual School Board Meeting, 279.33**

The Starmont Community School District Board held its regular board meeting on Monday, December 9, 2019, at the High School Conference Room. President Puffett called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. Members present: Shane Paris, Doug Puffett, Julie Uhlenkamp, Darren West, Kevin Powell. Administration present: Superintendent, Troy Heller; MS/HS Principal, Shauna Koppenhaver; Elementary Principal, Annie Bradford; Business Manager/Board Secretary, Robyn Hosch.

**2. Receive Communications and Visitors**

Suzy Hamlett and the student council members were present to tell the board about their accomplishments and what they have been working on. Powell thanked the superintendent and board members who attended the IASB Convention.

**3. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Agenda
- b. Approve Minutes – November 11, 2019
- c. Approve Monthly Financial Reports
- d. Approve Monthly Bills
- e. Approve Personnel Recommendations & Resignations

**Hiring:**

1. Jennifer Kugel as Volunteer Robotics Driver

**Resignations:**

1. Lois Goedken as Assistant Softball Coach. Thank you for your time coaching, Lois!

Motion by West to approve the consent agenda, with the exception of striking #12 off the organizational meeting agenda, Paris seconded, motion carried 5-0.

**4. Review Any Old Business**

There was no old business to discuss.

**5. Review and Consider Approving Board Policies: 100, 200.1, 200.1R1, 202.4, 206.4, 210.1, 210.5, 210.6, 211, 215, 216.2, 404.1R1, 711.7, 711.1 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

There were no further changes to the aforementioned board policies. Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the aforementioned board policies, Powell seconded, motion carried 5-0.

**6. Review Starmont School's Improvement Needs Assessment (IASB)**

Heller walked through the results of the IASB's improvement needs assessment, focusing on the summary showing the areas of strength for the district and the areas of improvement. Thanks to all who participated in the survey; your input is valuable and helps give Administration a baseline to base future goals off of.

**7. Elementary Principal/School Improvement Coordinator's Report**

Bradford told the board about mock Caldecott week, where the students read selected books and decide which is deserving of the Caldecott award. The PTO has donated a lot of time and money to helping with this, so she would like to recognize them for their help! Last week were the 2 elementary music concerts, which were a great success. Thank you to Mrs. McIntyre for her hard work putting this all together! Bradford also had updates on her walk-throughs and PBIS positive acknowledgements.

### **8. MS/HS Principal's Report/AD's Report**

Koppenhaver gave updates on goals, grades, discipline and absences in the MS/HS buildings.

Whittle's report stated that Starmont will be hosting the Tri-Rivers Conference wrestling tournament and Districts this year, and the Doug Gilford Wrestling Invitational will be December 21<sup>st</sup>. He also commented on the great Veterans' Day program and the school musical this year.

### **9. Review and Consider Approving 2019 Canvases for Buchanan County, Fayette County, Clayton County and Delaware County**

Hosch read the results of the 2019 school board election and announced the elected officials. Motion by West to approve the 2019 Starmont school board election canvasses, Paris seconded, motion carried 5-0.

### **10. Approve Temporary Chairperson to Convene the 2019-2020 School Board**

Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve Robyn Hosch as the temporary chairperson of the 2019-20 school board, Powell seconded, motion carried 5-0.

### **11. Adjourn**

Motion by Uhlenkamp to adjourn, Paris seconded, meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

### CALL TO ORDER- CONVENE 2019-2020 SCHOOL BOARD-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 279.1

Hosch called the 2019-2020 organizational meeting to order at 7:21 PM. Members present: Tony Recker, Doug Puffett, Julie Uhlenkamp, Darren West, Kevin Powell.

#### **1. Approve, Appoint & Elect Board President**

Hosch called for nominations for school board president. Uhlenkamp nominated Puffett as board president. Puffett accepted, all ayes, motion carried. Hosch turned the meeting over to Puffett.

#### **2. Approve, Appoint & Elect Board Vice President**

West nominated Uhlenkamp as board vice president. Uhlenkamp accepted, all ayes, motion carried.

#### **3. Elected Board Members Take the Oath of Office: 277.28**

Hosch administered the oath of offices to both Puffett and Uhlenkamp in their newly-appointed positions.

#### **4. Approve & Appoint Board Secretary/Treasurer & Take Oath of Office**

Powell nominated Hosch as Board Secretary/Treasurer, all ayes, motion carried. Puffett administered the oath of office to Hosch.

#### **5. Approve & Appoint IASB Legislative Area Network (LAN) Representative**

Uhlenkamp appointed Puffett as the IASB Legislative Area Network Representative, and Puffett accepted.

#### **6. Approve & Appoint IASB Delegate Assembly Representative**

West appointed Uhlenkamp as the IASB Delegate Assembly Representative, and Uhlenkamp accepted.

**7. Review and Consider Approving Buchanan, Fayette, Clayton, and Delaware County Conference Board Representatives**

Uhlenkamp appointed West as the Clayton County Conference Board Representative, and West accepted. No appointments were made for Buchanan, Fayette and Delaware Counties, as there are no current residences of those counties.

**8. Review and Consider Approving Dollars for Scholars Representative and Negotiations Committee Representative**

Uhlenkamp nominated Recker as the Dollars for Scholars Representative, and Recker accepted. Uhlenkamp nominated herself and Powell as the Negotiations Committee Representatives, with Puffett as the alternate, and they all accepted.

**9. Review and Consider Approving Starmont School's Attorney**

Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve Brett Nitzschke from Lynch Dallas as the school's attorney, West seconded, motion carried 5-0.

**10. Review and Consider Approving Date, Time, and Location of Board Meetings**

Motion by Recker to approve the regular school board meetings to take place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 6:30 PM in the HS conference room, West seconded, motion carried 5-0.

**11. Review and Consider Approving Official Publications**

Motion by Powell to approve the Lamont Leader and the Press Journal as the official publications for Starmont, West seconded, motion carried 5-0.

**12. Review and Consider Approving Depositories**

This item was struck, as it was already approved this year.

**13. Review AMPI Situation**

The school's engineer, Lindsay Beaman, was present to answer questions about the different options of the future of the school's wastewater system with the closing of AMPI. Different options were discussed, and the board agreed for Lindsay to move forward sketching plans of building a lagoon. More to be discussed at the January board meeting once the plans are presented.

**14. Review and Consider Approving SBRC Increasing Enrollment Request**

Motion by Powell to approve \$71,593.60 in additional spending authority for the FY19 increasing enrollment, Uhlenkamp seconded, motion carried 5-0.

**15. Review and Consider Approving SBRC ELL Instructional Beyond-Five-Years Request**

Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve \$4,543.44 in additional spending authority for ELL beyond 5 years, West seconded, motion carried 5-0.

**16. Superintendent's Report**

Heller gave some updates on superintendent sharing options, the various open positions for the district, the NE Iowa Food Bank program, and the finished repair of the baseball fence.

**17. Set Date for Special Board Meeting and January School Board Meeting**

There will be no special board meeting, and the next regular board meeting will take place on January 13, 2020 at 6:30 PM. West will audit bills at this time.

**18. Adjourn**

Motion by Recker to adjourn at 8:54 PM, Powell seconded, motion carried 5-0.

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Douglas Puffett, Board President

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Robyn Hosch, Board Secretary