

**Minutes of the December 13, 2021
Annual/Organizational School Board Meeting
Starmont Community School District Board of Directors**

1. Call to Order 2021-2022 Annual School Board Meeting, 279.33 (Quorum/Roll Call)

The Starmont Community School District Board held its annual board meeting on Monday, December 13, 2021, at the High School Conference Room. President Uhlenkamp called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Members present: Julie Uhlenkamp, Kevin Powell, Darren West, Tony Recker. Puffett arrived at 6:33 PM. Administration present: Superintendent, Gary Benda; MS/HS Principal, Shauna Koppenhaver; Activities Director, Daren Huisenga.

2. Receive Communications and Visitors (Including Board Members)

Powell gave updates on revenue sharing and how that will affect new money and tax credit.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Agenda
- b. Approve Minutes – November 8, 2021
- c. Approve Monthly Financial Reports
- d. Approve Monthly Bills
- e. Approve Personnel Recommendations & Resignations

Hiring:

1. Brenda Rodas as Paraprofessional- \$10.10/hour
2. Kelley Snyder as Paraprofessional- \$10.10/hour
3. Jennifer Kugel as Volunteer Robotics Driver/Chaperone
4. Sara Hawkins as Volunteer Girls' Basketball Coach

Resignations:

1. Bob Pope as Assistant JH Basketball Coach. Thanks for all your time coaching, Bob!
2. Katie Bockenstedt as Paraprofessional, effective 2/25/22. Best of luck in your future endeavors, Katie!
3. Ashley Clark as Paraprofessional. Best of luck in your future endeavors, Ashley!
4. Jon Becker as Maintenance Director. Best of luck in your future endeavors, Jon!

Motion by Puffett to strike #23 from the organizational meeting agenda, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.
Motion by Puffett to approve the consent agenda, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

4. Review Any Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

5. Review and Consider Approving \$523 Change Order to Modern Piping for Boiler Project

Motion by Puffett to approve the \$523 change order to Modern Piping for the boiler project, West seconded, motion carried 5-0.

6. Review and Accept Abstract of 2021 Starmont School Board Election

Motion by Powell to approve the 2021 Starmont school board election abstract, announcing Jacob Moellers and Victoria Althoff as the new school board members, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

7. Approve Temporary Chairperson to Convene the 2021-2022 School Board (Business Manager/Board Secretary)

Motion by Powell to approve Puffett as Temporary Chairperson to convene the 2021-2022 school board, Recker seconded, Puffett abstained, motion carried 4-0.

8. Adjourn

Motion by Powell to adjourn, Puffett seconded, meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Julie Uhlenkamp, Board President

Minutes Taken by: Gary Benda, Superintendent

Minutes Typed by: Robyn Hosch, Board Secretary

1. Call to Order 2021-2022 Organizational School Board Meeting, 279.1 (Quorum/Roll Call)

Puffett called the 2021-2022 organizational meeting to order at 6:52 PM. Members present: Tony Recker, Douglas Puffett, Julie Uhlenkamp, Kevin Powell, Jacob Moellers, Victoria Althoff.

2. Elected Board Members Take the Oath of Office: 277.28 (Bus. Mgr. /Board Secy.)

Puffett administered the oath of offices to both Althoff and Moellers as the new school board members.

3. Approve, Appoint & Elect Board President (Bus. Mgr. /Board Secy.)

Puffett called for nominations for school board president. Uhlenkamp nominated Powell as board president, and Powell accepted. Puffett called for nominations to cease, Moellers seconded. Motion by Uhlenkamp to cast unanimous ballot, Moellers seconded, motion carried 5-0. Puffett administered the oath of office to Powell as the new school board president. Puffett then turned the meeting over to Powell.

4. Approve, Appoint & Elect Board Vice President

Uhlenkamp nominated Recker as board vice president, and Recker accepted. Motion by Uhlenkamp for nominations to cease, Moellers seconded. Motion by Uhlenkamp to cast unanimous ballot, Moellers seconded, motion carried 5-0. Powell administered the oath of office to Recker as the new school board vice president.

5. Approve & Appoint Board Secretary/Treasurer (SBO)

Uhlenkamp nominated Hosch as Board Secretary/Treasurer, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

6. Approve & Appoint IASB Legislative Area Network (LAN) Representative

Uhlenkamp appointed Powell as the FY22 IASB Legislative Area Network Representative, Powell accepted, Althoff seconded, motion carried 5-0.

7. Approve & Appoint IASB Delegate Assembly Representative

Uhlenkamp appointed Moellers as the FY22 IASB Delegate Assembly Representative, Moellers accepted, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

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

Uhlenkamp appointed Althoff as the Delaware County Conference Board Representative, Moellers for Fayette and Recker for Clayton, all accepted, Moellers seconded, motion carried 5-0. No appointments were made for Buchanan, as there are no current residences of that county.

9. Review and Consider Approving Dollars for Scholars Representative and Negotiations Committee Representative

Althoff nominated Uhlenkamp as the Dollars for Scholars Representative, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0. Recker nominated Uhlenkamp and Althoff, with Moellers as the alternate, as the Negotiations Committee Representatives, all accepted, Moellers seconded, motion carried 5-0.

10. Review and Consider Approving Starmont School's Attorney

Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve Lynch Dallas as the school's general legal counsel, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

11. 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 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30 PM in the HS conference room, Moellers seconded, motion carried 5-0.

12. Review and Consider Approving Official Publications

Motion by Recker to approve the Press Journal as the official publication for Starmont, Althoff seconded, motion carried 5-0.

13. Review and Consider Approving Depositories

Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve a \$8,500,000 depository resolution in total for Citizens State Bank of Strawberry Point, Farmers Savings Bank of Strawberry Point, WC Financial of Independence, and ISJIT of Des Moines, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

14. Elementary Principal's Report

Hesse was absent but submitted a formal report on assessment, behavioral and culture goals, as well as attendance and discipline data.

15. MS/HS Principal's Report

Koppenhaver reported on her building goals, grades and discipline data. She also gave updates on the study tables after school and stated she has received a lot of community support for this idea.

16. Activity Director's Report

Huisenga announced that students will start giving weekly activities updates on social media in order to build leadership qualities in students. He also gave updates on the shot clock bids and expressed concern on the limited amount of vehicles available for activities.

17. Review and Consider Approving Updated 21-22 Fundraiser List

Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve the updated 21-22 fundraiser list, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

18. Review and Consider Approving Security System Upgrade from Verkada

Moellers suggested looking at more local companies for bids, such as Hawkeye Communications, and whichever company that recently did security work at Independence CSD. Motion by Uhlenkamp to table this item until April in order to secure more local bids, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

19. Review Facility Assessment Results- Mike Tucker

Benda went over the facility assessment results that were conducted by KCL Engineering. Benda will work on scheduling a January work session to further study the assessment results and set priorities of work.

20. Review and Consider Approving SBRC Request for Increasing Open Enrollment out, not in Fall of 2020 (\$143,074.40), LEP Instruction Beyond 5 Years (\$0), and Increased Enrollment (\$0)
Motion by Uhlenkamp for Starmont CSD's administration to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for a modified supplemental amount of \$143,074.40 for open enrolled out students who were not included in the district's previous year certified enrollment count, Moellers seconded. Roll call. Ayes: Uhlenkamp, Moellers, Recker, Althoff, Powell, Nays: None. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

21. Review and Consider Approving Resolution #2022-1: At-Risk/Dropout Prevention Modified Supplemental Amount for the 2021-22 School Year (\$200,105)
Board member Uhlenkamp introduced and caused to be read Resolution #2022-1, Starmont School Board Request for Additional Funding from Modified Supplemental Funds: Iowa Code Section 257.14, hereinafter set out and moved its adoption; seconded by Board Member Recker after due consideration thereof by the Board, the President put the question upon the adoption of said Resolution and, the roll having been called, the following board members voted: Ayes- Uhlenkamp, Moellers, Recker, Althoff, Powell, Nays: None, motion carried 5-0.

22. Review and Consider Approving the Changes to the 2021-22 MS & HS Student Handbook & 2021-22 Curriculum Handbook, Effective Spring Semester 2022
Benda explained that Starmont will no longer be asking parents to purchase the textbooks for college classes, effective next semester. The only verbiage changed in the handbooks is in regards to the school picking up this cost. Motion by Recker to approve the updated 2021-22 MS & HS Student Handbook, effective spring semester of 2022, Althoff seconded, motion carried 5-0. Motion by Uhlenkamp to approve the updated 2021-22 Curriculum Handbook, effective spring semester of 2022, Recker seconded, motion carried 5-0.

23. Review and Consider Approving Board Policies: 105, 200.1, 210.8, 212, 212.1, 307, 401.4, 502.4, 606.6, 403.7, 403.7R1, 403.7R2, 403.7E1, 403.7E2, 403.7E3
Item was struck and will be brought back in January as two separate agenda items along with a 1st reading.

24. Superintendent's Report
Benda reported on the vacant Maintenance Director position, stating not many applications have been received. He asked the Board permission to re-advertise with a higher salary. Benda also shared the new custodial report and reported that the Iowa School Performance Profiles will be released in the next week or so, with Starmont's results being the same as last year.

25. Set Date for Board Meeting: January 10, 2022
The next regular board meeting will take place on January 10, 2022. Uhlenkamp and Moellers will audit bills at this time.

26. Adjourn
Motion by Uhlenkamp to adjourn, Recker seconded, meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Kevin Powell, Board President

Minutes Taken by: Gary Benda, Superintendent

Minutes Typed by: Robyn Hosch, Board Secretary