

STARK COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #100
Stark, Knox, Marshall, Henry & Peoria Counties, Illinois

Regular Meeting – August 17th, 2026

The Stark County Community Unit School District #100 Board of Education met Monday, August 17th, 2026, at the Stark County Elementary School cafeteria. Members present were Ann Orwig, Erin Price, Dane Richards, Chelsea Streitmatter, and Bruce West. Emily Leezer and Joseph Rediger were absent. Also present were: Brett Elliott, Superintendent; Rebecca Lane, District Clerical/Payroll Clerk; Shannon Westphal, former employee; and Sean Kerwin, Illinois Education Association-NEA Region 16 UniServ Director.

With a quorum present, President Orwig called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance, and the Mission and Vision statements were recited.

Motion was made by Mr. West, seconded by Mrs. Price, to approve the consent calendar. Items approved under the consent calendar were:

- Approval of the July 20th, 2026 Board Minutes;
- Approval of the July JH/HS Activity Funds; July Self-Insurance Fund; and July Imprest Fund;
- Approval of the July LEA checks as follows: City of Wyoming \$354.72, State Bank of Toulon \$19,122.02, Accident Fund Insurance \$51,263.00, Unland Insurance \$123,049.00, Midwest Bus Leasing \$52,625.43, Gerber Life Insurance \$3,478.00, Gerber Life Insurance \$546.00, Stark County CUSD #100 \$151,834.59, Humana \$148.55, Humana \$2,820.09, Humana \$681.25, Humana \$605.45, Bill's Auto Body \$506.00, IL Office of the State Fire Marshall \$100.00, State Bank of Toulon \$4,000,000.00, State Bank of Toulon \$1,469,796.72, IL Office of the State Fire Marshall \$75.00, Stark County CUSD #100 \$143,537.53, Stark County Education Foundation \$500.00, VISA \$1,905.34, VISA \$1,599.65, VISA \$1,099.35, State Bank of Toulon \$23,000.74, United States Treasury \$444.16, Imprest Fund \$5,589.90.

Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Next on the agenda was the approval of August bills. Mr. West asked if the Turf Tank annual payment included paint and everything needed for the year. Mr. Elliott responded that it does. Motion was made by Mr. Richards, seconded by Ms. Streitmatter, to approve the August bills of \$301,969.79. Motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Visitor Comments:

There were no visitor comments.

Administrative Reports:

Stark County Superintendent, Brett Elliott, reported that surveying of the new elementary playground project was completed and demolition began today. Installation of the new equipment is scheduled to begin this weekend with our parents club community-build under the direction of Byrne and Jones, Inc. The construction of the elementary staff parking lot is underway with completion scheduled in the next week, weather permitting. We held a successful Meet the Rebels/Annual Soda Game introducing all fall Stark County High School athletics, cheer and band on Friday Night. The Annual Stark County Education Foundation Golf Outing will be held this Friday at Midland Golf Club, 9:00 am.

We thank all of our sponsors and participants for their continued support of our students and staff. We remind the community of the Inaugural SSCI County Cruise scheduled for Saturday, August 29th, 2026. Please see our Facebook for more information and to sign up today. Mr. Elliott reminded the community that the teacher institutes for the 2026 – 2027 school year are today and tomorrow, August 17th and 18th. The first day of school for K-12 students is Wednesday, August 19th with an 8:00 am - 1:45 pm school day through Labor Day. Pre-K students' first day is Monday, August 24th. We remind our parents to get your students required vaccinations, physicals and sports physicals for the first day of school. There were no questions for Mr. Elliott.

Unfinished Business:

Next was the second reading of PRESS Policy 122 including 5 year updates, AI, and the upcoming cell phone ban. Superintendent Elliott recommended approval. Mr. West made a motion to approve PRESS Policy Issue 122 as presented. Ms. Streitmatter seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

The district received two bids for shed demolition and removal for the shed on the south end of elementary property: CB Excavating \$3,400 and Greenfield \$20,800. Mrs. Price asked why there was such a big difference in the bids. Mr. Elliott speculated that it could be due to one being from a one man company vs. the other being a large company with overhead. He added that he learned that CB has completed some other removals in Wyoming. Superintendent Elliott recommended awarding the bid of \$3,400 to CB Excavating. Mr. West made a motion to award the shed demolition and removal bid to CB Excavating at \$3,400.00. Seconded by Mrs. Orwig. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

The district received two bids for the sale of the 2013 Dodge Grand Caravan previously declared as surplus. Superintendent Elliott recommended awarding the bid of \$999 to Taryn Stutler with a 45-day delivery window or it will defer to Garrett Bruecks at \$701. Mrs. Price made a motion to award the 2013 Dodge Grand Caravan bid to Taryn Stutler at \$999 as presented. Mr. West seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Due to demolition procedures exceeding any potential bid, it is not financially responsible to proceed with awarding a playground bid for the removed equipment. The bid for the sale of playground equipment is cancelled.

New Business:

Superintendent Elliott presented the Fiscal Year 2027 Tentative Budget. He shared assumptions in regards to funding, rising health insurance costs, reduction in transportation and special education state reimbursements, and increased Henry-Stark Cooperative costs. He stressed that deficit spending in the transportation fund and special education budget lines will occur over the next few years per state forecasting. Mr. Elliott noted that when working on the budget, he still left some cushion for unexpected expenses, but prepared it tighter than last year's budget per the board's request. Mr. West made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Tentative Budget as presented and to place the budget on display for the next 30 days and hold a public hearing and approval on September 21st, 2026. Mrs. Price seconded. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

After a successful self-funded health insurance year, the Insurance Committee approved a 10% rate increase on the single health insurance premiums for the 2026-2027 school year. Mrs. Orwig made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 Health Insurance Premium Rates as presented. Seconded by Mr. Richards. Passed 5-0.

Due to the addition of fifth grade students being able to participate in Junior High cross-country, we have designed an eligibility process in conjunction with the IESA as it pertains to standards based (1, 2, 3, 4) grading. We will pilot this in year one and revisit next fall for any changes necessary. We researched surrounding districts with elementary standards based eligibility and propose the following: "A student becomes ineligible if they have an average of 1.75 or lower in any core class during the weekly eligibility check." Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve the addition of the fifth grade standards based eligibility procedures as presented. Mrs. Price seconded and the board approved 5-0.

Next was an annual approval to let fuel bids for the period December 2026 through November 2027. Mrs. Orwig made a motion to approve the superintendent to let fuel bids as presented. Seconded by Ms. Streitmatter. Passed 5-0.

Mr. Elliott recommended the following dates for High School Graduation and 8th Grade Promotion for the Class of 2027:

Senior Class of 2027 Last Day of School: Friday, May 7th, 2027

Class of 2027 Graduation: Sunday, May 16th, 2027 at 1:00 pm at the High School Arena.

8th Grade Promotion and Last Day of School: Wednesday, May 19th, 2027 with the ceremony at 6:00 pm in the High School Glenn Buchert Gym.

Mr. Richards made a motion to approve the 2027 Graduation and Promotion dates as presented. Mr. West seconded. Passed 5-0.

As a follow up to the July board retreat, the board has reviewed and revised short term and long-term goals beginning this school year. Once approved, these goals will be posted on the district website. Mr. West made a motion to approve the Board Goals beginning the 2026-2027 school year as presented. Mrs. Price seconded and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

After an audit of our HRA plan document by Consociate, recommendations were submitted to our board attorney and approved. The following resolution will allow us to implement the revised updated HRA plan document for our members. There were no changes to the current HRA employee benefit, this is just an update of the plan document in order to remain compliant with current rules and regulations. Mrs. Orwig made a motion to approve the resolution amending and restating the Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Plan that has been established for the benefit of district employees. Seconded by Mr. West. Motion passed 5-0.

President Orwig led a discussion in regards to individual board members visiting each campus first and second semester to replace the annual winter retreat as implemented last year. Board members are to communicate available dates to Mrs. Orwig. Mr. Elliott will also be hosting the quarterly roundtable on September 11th, board members are encouraged to attend if able.

With the upcoming elections and opening board seats, President Orwig reminded everyone that if they are interested in running for the Board of Education, packets can be picked up at County Clerk's office anytime.

Items for Next Meeting:

Public Hearing and Approval of Fiscal Year 2027 Budget; Award Fuel Bids; Possible Special Board Meeting TBD.

Executive Session:

Mrs. Price made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing employee compensation, non-renewals, employee performance, employment of personnel, retirements, and/or resignations at 6:30 pm. Seconded by Mr. Richards. Motion was approved 5-0.

Mr. Richards left during Executive Session.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to reconvene from Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. and to hold the Executive Session minutes, Not for Release. Motion was approved by a 4-0 vote.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of July 20th, 2026, Not for Release. Motion was approved 4-0.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve Sarah Barnes as Assistant Cook. Seconded by Mrs. Orwig. Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve Mary Beth Kelly and Niki Kelly as Senior Class Sponsors. Seconded by Mr. West. Approved 4-0.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter to approve Megan Brown as Elementary Kids Care Supervisor. Mrs. Orwig seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve Olivia Frail as Volunteer Junior High Cross Country Coach. Seconded by Mr. West. Passed 4-0.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter to approve Beth Funcannon as Acting District Guidance Counselor. Seconded by Mrs. Price. Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve Holly Winans as an Elementary Volunteer. Mr. West seconded. Approved 4-0.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter to terminate Donald Trenholm as Elementary Custodian. Seconded by Mrs. Orwig. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve Dillon Steelman and Chris Barnwell as Volunteer Junior High Football Coaches. Mr. West seconded. Passed 4-0.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter to approve TJ Giesenhausen, Michael Schott, Tim Brown, and Ben Browning as Volunteer Junior High Baseball Coaches. Seconded by Mrs. Orwig. Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve Amy Wise, Jason Clark, Dusty Browning, and Jade Noard for AM Supervision at Stark County Junior Senior High; as well as Preston Parrish, Janine Streitmatter, and Jackie Carroll for PM Supervision at Stark County Junior Senior High. Seconded by Mr. West. Passed 4-0.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter to approve Seth King, Cole Hartley, Clint Terwilliger, Jade Noard, Jason Clark, and Dusty Browning for Lunch Supervision at the Stark County Junior Senior High. Mrs. Orwig seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve the maternity leave for Megan McGann, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, for approximately September 4, 2026 through January 4, 2027. Mr. West seconded. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Ms. Streitmatter made a motion to approve the maternity leave for Jailynn Mercer, Custodian, for approximately December 20, 2026 through February 8, 2027. Seconded by Mrs. Orwig. Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Streitmatter announced the resignation of Clint Terwilliger as Head High School Boys Track Coach.

Ms. Streitmatter announced the resignation of Jason Clark as Assistant High School Baseball Coach.

Ms. Streitmatter announced the resignation of David Wallace as Head High School Girls Golf Coach, effective immediately.

Motion was made by Ms. Streitmatter, seconded by Mrs. Orwig, to adjourn at 7:17 p.m. Motion was approved 4-0.

Ann Orwig
President

Emily Leezer
Secretary

Approved 9/21/2026