BOARD REPORT

December 9, 2019

REGULAR MEETING

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board approved the payment of bills totaling \$1,690.02.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Board retired employee John Tegel for eight months as noted in the collective bargaining agreement between the Solon Board of Education and the Ohio Association of Public School Employees in compliance with Ohio Revised Code 3307.353.

The Program of Studies was approved for 2020-21. Carly Cancasci and Sean Fisher were approved as home instruction tutors for the 2019-20 school year. A supplemental contract was approved to the following individual:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Stacey Keller	SMS Mentor Teacher - Fogt	\$450.76

The Board approved the resolution as stated below which permits the Board to reimburse parents whose children attend a private school for which it is impractical to transport their children.

In accordance with the Ohio Revised Code Section 3327.01 providing that Boards of Education determine whether or not transportation shall be provided to non-public schools within 30 minutes by school bus, for district resident children, payment in lieu of transportation be made to parents of children at the rate established by the State Board of Education.

Non-district pupil activity permit contracts were approved to the following individuals:

Name	Activity	<u>Amount</u>
Brandon Thompson	Wrestling - Assistant Varsity Coach	\$4,056.84
Davy Vargo	Girls Indoor Track - Assistant Varsity Coach	901.52
Matthew Wieczorek	Girls Indoor Track - Varsity Coach	901.52

The Board approved a resolution approving Diane Henry for annual driver certification by the Solon City School District for the 2019-2020 school year under OAC 3301-83-06 B5:

This certifies that said driver is of good moral character, is at least 18 years of age, and is physically and otherwise qualified to drive a school bus as required by rules of the Ohio Department of Education for the Solon City School District for the school year ending 2020.

Tuition reimbursements were approved for two individuals in the amount of \$646.

The next board meeting will be January 13, 2020, 6 p.m. at the Board of Education.

INFORMATION ITEMS

SOLON MIDDLE SCHOOL WINS 2019 'START WITH HELLO' SCHOOL AWARD

Solon Middle School is one of just three schools to be recognized as 2019 Start With Hello Award winners in the Northeast region by Sandy Hook Promise.

"Considering the number of entries Sandy Hook Promise received from across the nation and the high quality of these entries, Solon Middle School should be very proud of this achievement," said Bob Flynn, national programs director for Sandy Hook Promise, a national non-profit organization working to encourage and support solutions that create safer and healthier schools, homes and communities, especially preventing violence and other harmful acts in schools. "Thank you for empowering your students to learn how to be more inclusive and connected to each other. Your important work is helping to reduce social isolation as well as to prevent violence in all its forms."

The award recognizes the student-led programming at Solon Middle School planned through its SAVE (Students Against Violence Everywhere) Club that foster kindness and inclusivity. The SAVE Club creates programming at SMS aligned with both Sandy Hook Promise "Know the Signs" programs: Start With Hello Week in September and the upcoming See Something, Say Something Week in February.

Among the SMS Start With Hello activities this year are a vignette video modeling different scenarios to reinforce the program's key messages with students:

- See someone alone how to recognize loneliness and social isolation
- Reach out and help what students can do to help others feel included
- Start with Hello how to start conversations

SAVE Club members also worked with teachers and school counselors to plan lunchtime activities such as "Be a Lifesaver" and "Compliment Drive." For "Be a Lifesaver," students signed green pledge cards committing to reach out to others. The "Compliment Drive" allowed SMS students to choose from eight different printed positive messages they could send anonymously to someone they do not usually socialize with at lunch or outside of school. Every student in the school received at least compliment message and the cards were delivered during homeroom the week after Start with Hello to continue the conversation. The green lifesaver pledge cards now form two wall-length banners spelling out "Hello" and "Start With Hello" in the main hallways of the school.

To welcome students to school each day, the SAVE Club members drew colorful chalk messages on the sidewalks leading to the entrances of the school that included "Start With Hello" and the word "Hello" in a variety of languages to represent the diversity of the student body.

Additional programming linked to Start With Hello will be launched throughout the year.

Several Solon Schools in addition to Solon Middle School participate in Sandy Hook Promise's Start With Hello Week every year and the district promotes the importance of See Something, Say Something with students and families regularly.

2020-2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Attached is the proposed calendar for the 2020-21 school year. By law, this resolution acts as a public hearing prior to the Board acting on the calendar at the January 13 board meeting.

Solon School District 2020-2021 School Calendar

Events

8/17- 8/18 Teacher Prof. Day 8/19 - First Day of School 1-12 8/21 - First Day Kindergarten

10/15 - End 1st Qtr. 10/16 - Teacher Prof. Day

12/18- End 2nd Qtr.

12/21- 1/1 - Winter Break

2/15 - Presidents' Day

4/2 - 4/5 Easter Break

6/3 - Last Day Students 6/3 - End 4th Qtr.

6/4 - Teacher Prof. Day

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11/25-11/27 - Thanksgiving Break

1/18 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

3/18 - End 3rd Qtr. 3/19 - Teacher Prof Day 3/22- 3/26 - Spring Break

5/31 - Memorial Day

No School Holiday No School Professional Day Sem. / Qtr. End

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