

BOARD REPORT

February 8, 2016

REGULAR MEETING

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board approved the payment of bills totaling \$168,700.38. The Board approved the revised appropriations for the Solon City School District to provide for current operating expenses and other expenditures during fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, as noted in Exhibits A and B.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Board approved Melissa Creamer, Anna Guseilo, Jill Frimel-Harvey, Matthew Kirk, Rebecca Sues, Tori Wien, James Willard and Nicole Witting as home instruction tutors for the 2015-16 school year. One individual was approved as a substitute on an as needed basis for the 2015-16 school year.

A non-district pupil activity permit contract was approved to the following individual:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ryan Greenhill	Boys Soccer - Head Varsity Coach (Fall 16/17)	\$5,303.04

Supplemental contracts were approved to the following individuals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Timothy Cain	SMS Yearbook - (1/2 contract) (replaces Mike Sullivan who is on leave)	\$1,382.19
Joyce Cardinale	Sport Faculty Manager - SHS (5%)	2,303.65

The Board authorized the Business Manager to advertise and secure bids for the following projects: Parkside exterior and dual school entrances / Lewis exterior; Parkside Exterior Wall Renovation Phase II and Univent Replacement Phase I.

The retirement of Katherine Matthews, 3rd Gr. teacher at Parkside Elementary, effective July 1, 2016, was approved.

Tuition reimbursements were approved for 8 individuals in the amount of \$3,766.15.

The next board meeting will be February 22, 2016, 6 p.m. at the Board of Education.

INFORMATION ITEMS

THREE SOLON HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SIGN NATIONAL LETTERS OF INTENT

Three Solon Comet student athletes inked National Letters of Intent February 3 on signing day to pursue athletics and academics at the college level.

The students signing last week were:

Will Meyer, who will play soccer at the University of Louisville;
Samantha Slagle, who will play soccer at Purdue University; and
Molli Dunn, who will play soccer at Malone University.

Congratulations to the student athletes and their families.

2016 KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION REMINDER

The Solon Schools are holding an information night on February 17 for parents of children who will be entering kindergarten in the fall of 2016. The program is slated for 7 p.m. in the Solon High School auditorium.

This adults-only event provides parents with an overview of the Solon kindergarten program and the new online registration process.

Official district-wide kindergarten registration is March 2 (for last names beginning A-L) and March 3 (for last names beginning M-Z) at Arthur Road Elementary School from 8-11:30 a.m. Parents are asked to complete the registration paperwork online at www.solonschools.org in advance. For planning and staffing purposes, it is important that students are registered for kindergarten during the March registration period.

EIGHT SOLON HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS NAMED PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR CANDIDATES

A record eight members of the Solon High School class of 2016 are among 3,000 students nationwide named as candidates for the prestigious honor of U.S. Presidential Scholar. The Solon seniors nominated as potential U.S. Presidential Scholars are: Austin Bolomey, Rohin Devanathan, Daniel Guo, Achuth Nair, Jason Ong, Rahul Rambhatla, Wilbert Ren and Benjamin Stoler.

“This is the highest number of students nominated as Presidential Scholar candidates in a graduating class in Solon history, and the most candidates from one school in Ohio this year,” said SHS Principal Erin Short.

Students are selected based on a number of factors including accomplishments in academics, art, leadership, and involvement in the school and community at large. In addition, they represent “excellence in education and the promise of greatness in America’s youth,” according to the U.S. Department of Education’s Commission on U. S. Presidential Scholars.

Ultimately, only up to 161 students nationwide will be chosen in May as U.S. Presidential Scholars.

SOLON SCHOOLS RECOGNIZE SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION IN FEBRUARY

As part of the national Love the Bus program, the Solon Schools are recognizing the district bus drivers who safely transport students to and from school and extra-curricular activities every day.

Sponsored by the American School Bus Council, the Love the Bus program is celebrated in February as a way to raise awareness about school bus transportation. It also serves as a timely reminder for drivers to review the traffic and safety laws regarding school buses.

Bus drivers receive ongoing training in student loading and unloading procedures, state driving laws, student evacuation, student behavior and security management. In Solon, drivers receive routine training to help prepare them for emergencies that could arise and participate in safety drills with students.