

P R O C E E D I N G S
BOARD OF EDUCATION NO. 600
SALEM COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2025
7:00 P.M. SCHS BOARD ROOM

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District #600 was called to order by President Eric Bandy at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, October 20, 2025. Board members present were Eric Bandy, Marla Tolliver, Rob Easley, Kyle Gansauer, Mike McKinzie, and Shawn Morris. Board members absent – Sarah Meador.

Administrators present: Superintendent Detering, Principal Wolfe and Asst. Principal Pogue.

Visitors Present: Laci Harrell, and reporters Bruce Kropp from Salem Times Commoner and Dennis Rosenberger from the Centralia Sentinel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The minutes of the September 22, 2025 Regular Board Meeting were approved as presented.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA– There were no adjustments to the Agenda.

PUBLIC FORUM – No one requested to speak during Public Forum.

COMMUNICATIONS – There were no communications.

STUDENT RECOGNITION – Principal Wolfe introduced Laci Harrell. Laci explained that she entered a short story to a Young Writers USA Competition. She and some of her friends actually got published and her short story “The Swamp Kids” received first place. Principal Wolfe stated that she was picked as first place out of 5,000 students. Her story called “The Swamp Kids” was publishing in “Unsolved, Guilty as Charged”.

MOTION: TREASURER’S REPORT

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to receive the treasurer’s report and file it for audit.

Vote: Gansauer-yes; McKinzie-yes; Tolliver-yes; Morris-yes; Bandy-yes; Easley-yes.
Motion carries.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve payment of the bills as presented.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Tolliver-yes; Morris-yes; Bandy-yes; Gansauer-yes; Easley-yes.
Motion carries.

FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Supt. Detering presented and reviewed the 1st quarter financial report. Expenditures are at 24.00% and revenue is at 36.69%. Discussion was held.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

ASST. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Asst. Principal Pogue presented the attendance report for the month of September, showing 93.77% ADA. She reported 79 contacts with 62 students. Out of those, 17 were attendance related and 15 were general conferences. Disciplinary consequences given to students were: 10 lunch detentions for 9 students; 2 after school detentions for 2 students, 19 Crisis Classes for 17 students; and 6 out of school suspensions for 6 students.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Principal Wolfe reported girls' golf team member Mya Russell came in 1st at Regionals, 4th in Sectional and 13th at the State Girls' Golf Tournament. She had a very successful season as did the entire Girls' Golf Team. In girls' tennis the team was 3rd overall at Sectionals and 3 girls qualified for State. Madison Keserauskis and Ella Robinson qualified for state in doubles and Katee Sellers qualified for singles. The state series will be held this weekend. The Math Team competed in the Southwest Math Conference in Belleville with several students placing in the top 8 in 3A Division. The Volleyball team held their Pink Out game was successful and raised money by having a bake sale, raffles, silent auction, and a 50/50 drawing. Donations for the Pink Out game was over \$18,000 collected for this year's recipient, Suzanne Brown. Our SRO & Salem Police Department talked to our Drivers' Ed classes to talk about what to expect with traffic stops and what to expect in the event they are stopped, 4th amendment rights and associated case law associated. The SCHS Band received best percussion, best drum major, best auxiliary, and 1st place in class on October 11. They compete this Saturday in the Belleville West Band Competition.

Principal Wolfe stated that he wanted brag on our Student Services Department, Megan Kessler, Jenny Knapp, Kyla Motch, Allison West and Kristen Jarrett, facilitated the Senior Sunrise on October 16. He reported they had about 80 students here before dawn. Breakfast, cider, iced coffee and hot chocolate was served. They also had a Gnome Roam where they could find them around campus and win prizes. Toward the end of the year they will have a Senior Sunset. On October 22 we will have a Senior Parent Meeting for helping families to apply for college and to assist with financial aid, FAFSA and scholarship application. On October 24 SCHS will host a Career Fair. This is our 3rd year. He reported we have about 50 vendors. This is for our students but also for other schools that will come. On October 31 Peer Helpers will be hosting a Trunk or Treat from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the front parking lot. The Fall Play will have their performances on November 13 to November 16 and again the following weekend on November 20 to November 22. He reported that Fall Sports will be entering the conclusions of their seasons as all have had their Senior Nights and they will be heading into post play. Soccer plays Wednesday night in Rochester and Volleyball also has a tournament on Saturday.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – BUS BARN – Supt. Detering reported that the roof on the Bus Barn needs to be replaced. The cost will be around \$23,000. The SCHS Construction Class is working on some renovations in the building; however, the roof is not something that we are currently equipped to handle. Tony Dial requested price quotes

from four different contractors and he is recommending H & W Custom Building. It is under the required bid threshold, but we did want to get multiple estimates. AUDIT – Supt. Detering reported that we would normally have had the audit report in September or October at the latest; however, there is a delay and they will not be able to give us the report this month. He provided a letter from the Auditor. Discussion was held.

MANDATED TRAININGS FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS – Supt.

Detering provided information to the Board regarding mandated trainings that are now required for school board members as well. He reported that we do have a system where you can watch the videos and take the tests at home. Discussion was held. SCHOOL MAINTENANCE GRANT – Supt. Detering reported that the School Maintenance Grants opened up on Thursday and will close in January. He will be working with the Building Committee about Summer 2026 projects and will include this as a part of the discussion. The Grant is a \$50,000 matching grant. The approval of this grant will require Board action that should be ready in November or December. SCHOOL REPORT CARD – Supt. Detering reported that the School Report Card is set to be released on October 30. Discussion was held. TIF4 – Supt. Detering reported that last Friday morning he received information from Leah Dellacarpini regarding TIF4. This was the first communication since August. He reviewed the information he has received. Discussion was held.

MOTION: TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Mike McKinzie to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of reviewing closed session minutes and the employment, performance and compensation of specific personnel 7:28 p.m.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Tolliver-yes; Gansauer-yes; Morris-yes; Bandy-yes; Easley-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion was made by Eric Bandy seconded by Kyle Gansauer to return to open session at 7:48 p.m.

Vote: 6 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Motion was made by Rob Easley and seconded by Shawn Morris to approve the September 22, 2025 closed session minutes.

Vote: 6 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO EMPLOY BUS DRIVER

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Mike McKinzie to employ Megan Branson as a bus driver.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Morris-yes; Bandy-yes; Tolliver-yes; Gansauer-yes; Easley-yes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO EMPLOY SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVER

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Mike McKinzie to employ Dewayne Collier as a substitute bus driver.

Vote: McKinzie-yes; Morris-yes; Bandy-yes; Tolliver-yes; Gansauer-yes; Easley-yes.
Motion carried.

MOTION: TO EMPLOY BUS MONITOR

Motion was made by Shawn Morris and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to employ George Ledbetter as a bus monitor.

Vote: Gansauer-yes; McKinzie-yes; Bandy-yes; Tolliver-yes; Morris-yes; Easley-yes.
Motion carried.

MOTION: TO EMPLOY HEAD SOFTBALL COACH

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Marla Tolliver to employ Megan Molenhour as the head softball coach.

Vote: Tolliver-yes; Gansauer-yes; McKinzie-yes; Bandy-yes; Morris-yes; Easley-yes.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Eric Bandy adjourned the regular October Board meeting at 7:51 p.m.

(Date Approved)

(Board President)

(Board Secretary)