

P R O C E E D I N G S
 BOARD OF EDUCATION NO. 600
 SALEM COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 600
 REGULAR MEETING – SCHS BOARD ROOM #114
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2026
 7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the of the Board of Education of Salem Community High School District #600 was called to order by Vice President Marla Tolliver at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, February 23, 2026. Board members present were Marla Tolliver, Kyle Gansauer, Mike McKinzie, Sarah Meador, and Shawn Morris. Board members absent were – Eric Bandy, and Rob Easley.

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

Visitors Present: Drew Johnson, SCHS Drama Sponsor, Mallory Hopkins, Luci Schaubert, Emma Turner, Rylan Lawson, and reporter Bruce Kropp from WJBD Radio.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Motion was made by Marla Tolliver and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on Monday, January 26, 2026 as presented.

Vote: 5 ayes. Motion carries.

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

STUDENT RECOGNITION – Supt. Detering introduced Drew Johnson, SCHS Drama Sponsor, and Drama students Mallory Hopkins, Luci Schaubert, Emma Turner and Rylan Lawson. They made a presentation with photos from the recent Theaterfest they attended in Chicago. They also talked about the upcoming Spring Musical, “Little Mermaid.” And encouraged everyone to see it.

PUBLIC FORUM – No one requested to address the Board during Public Forum.

COMMUNICATIONS – Supt. Detering presented the following: a letter from the Salem Community High School Education Association (SCHSEA), Ivy Balla, Lead Negotiator, to give notice of intent to bargain for contract negotiations, a letter of resignation from Pat Lobek as an assistant football coach, and a thank you note from Sarah Meador for the flowers received during a recent illness.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACH

Motion was made by Sarah Meador and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to accept a letter of resignation from Pat Lobek as an assistant football coach.

Vote: 5 ayes. Motion carries.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: BUILDING COMMITTEE

Supt. Detering reported that building committee met on February 5th to discuss the potential projects in the gym that were included in the January Board Packet. The Building Committee is recommending moving forward with the bleacher replacement project and the basketball goal replacement project. The scoreboard proposal is still being investigated by Ameresco and the engineering firm to ensure the roof trusses can handle the additional weight of the video boards. The hold on the scoreboard project has also put a hold on any type of ceiling hung, retractable flag that has been discussed. Discussion was held.

MOTION: APPROVE JANUARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Kyle Gansauer and seconded by Mike McKinzie to receive the January 2026 treasurer's report and file it for audit.

Supt. Detering reported that 2 CD's came due at the end of January and were renewed into a 12 month and a 60 month CD. Another CD will be coming due at the end of April. Discussion was held.

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

MOTION: APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

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

MOTION: APPROVAL SUPPLEMENTAL PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Motion was made by Eric Bandy and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve a resolution authorizing a supplemental property tax levy to pay the principal of, and interest, on the outstanding limited bonds of Salem Community High School District #600, Marion and Jefferson Counties, Illinois.

Supt. Detering reported every year in January after the annual CPO index is reported, our bond company, Kings Financial, reviews all of their tax-capped clients to determine the need for a supplemental bond levy resolution. When the District issued the bonds, the maximum annual levy that could be established was capped, but there were increases put in place in the bond payment schedule that the annual payment would increase by the CPI growth. The District must adopt a supplemental bond levy resolution for the increases on the bond schedule. It was 2023 when we last had to approved this supplemental levy. Discussion was held.

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

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

ASST. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Asst. Principal Pogue presented the attendance report for the month of January at 92.51%. During the month of January, she reported 36 student contacts for a total of 41 occurrences which includes 13 attendance policy related and 6 general conferences. Disciplinary consequences were: 2 lunch detentions for 2 students; 4 crisis classes to 4 students; and 7 out of school suspensions for 6 students.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Principal Wolfe reported on the new School Report Card, including several changes. He presented the new information to the Board. Discussion was held.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – AMENDED SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2025-2026 – Supt. Detering presented an amended calendar for 2025-2026 school year that will need to be approved. Discussion was held.

MOTION: CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made at 7:48 p.m. by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to enter into closed session for the purpose of reviewing closed session minutes, and the employment, performance, and compensation of specific personnel.

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

MOTION: RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion was made at 8:08 p.m. by Marla Tolliver and seconded by Shawn Morris to return to Open Session of the Regular February Board Meeting.

Vote: 5 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Motion was made by Marla Tolliver and seconded by Mike McKinzie to approve the closed session minutes of the January 26, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

Vote: 5 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO APPROVE AMENDED SCHOOL CALENDAR

Motion was made by Shawn Morris and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to approve an amendment to the 2025-2026 school calendar.

Vote: 5 ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION: TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FOR REPLACEMENT OF BLEACHERS

Motion was made by Shawn Morris and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to approve a contract with Carroll Seating Company for the replacement of bleachers at a cost of \$124,663.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FOR REPLACEMENT OF BASKETBALL GOALS

Motion was made by Mike McKinzie and seconded by Kyle Gansauer to approve a contract with Carroll Seating Company for the replacement of basketball goals at a cost of \$74,365.

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

MOTION: TO EMPLOY SCIENCE TEACHER

Motion was made by Shawn Morris and seconded by Sarah Meador to employ Ian Barbee as a Science Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year.

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion was made by Marla Tolliver and seconded by Mike McKinzie to adjourn the Regular February Board meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Vote: 5 ayes. Motion carried.

(Date Approved)

(Board President)

(Board Secretary)