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skills, and character to achieve personal success as they "Soar to
Excellence."*

Board Meeting Agenda for September 22, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Small Gym.

1. Appoint the new board member, David Obert, for the unexpired board member vacancy, for the Burton Township.
2. Elect a new Secretary Pro Tem.
3. Conduct hearing and consider/take action on recommendation for denial of admission of a Citizen to school events for the rest of this academic school year 2021-22, pursuant to Policy 8:30.
4. Held a FY22 Budget Hearing
5. Routine Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approval of the Agenda
 - B. Approval of the following Minutes:
 - August 18, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
 - September 8, 2021 Special Board Meeting
 - C. Approval of the Bills, Payroll, Treasurer's Report, Food and Additional Bills
 - D. Approval of the Activity Report
 - E. Approval of the Imprest Report
6. Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approve the FY 22 Proposed Budget.
 - B. Approve the Seniority Lists for certified, support, and bus drivers/monitors.
 - C. Approve the Agreement with Birch Agency to cover a maternity leave for speech teacher, Stevi Smith, from August 31-November 23, 2021.
 - D. Approve the School Improvement Goals for 2021-22.
 - E. Approve the Resolution to participate in the Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program.
8. Board Discussion and Action:
 - A. Approve the Agreement with Achieve to offer saliva tests for staff who prefer not to vaccinate.
 - B. Approve applying for the FY22 Maintenance Grant for carpet in K-2 classrooms and the band & chorus rooms.
9. Reports:
 - A. Elementary Principal's Report
 - B. JH/HS Principal's Report
 - C. Superintendent's Report
 - D. Technology Coordinator's Report

10. Personnel Report:

- Approve the resignation of Nena Tracey as a Pre-K bus monitor, effective September 3, 2021.
- Approve the resignation of Darren Funk as the Junior High Baseball Coach, effective September 16, 2021.
- Approve the maternity leave for Melissa Straley, elementary special education teacher, for 60 work days per FMLA from October 29, 2021-February 7, 2022.
- Approve Jay Lawler as a permanent sub at Liberty for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year, effective September 24, 2021.
- Approve Craig Sparks as a permanent sub at Liberty for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year, effective September 24, 2021.
- Approve Christina Duffy as the Marching Band Assistant, effective September 23, 2021.

Superintendent's Comments:

Routine items

This time of year we approve a proposed school budget. We also must approve seniority list for licensed and support staff. We establish our school improvement goals, as developed by each school's instructional leadership teams. (These are attached.) We also have a speech teacher on maternity leave, so we are contracting with an agency to provide tele-therapy, since there are no speech teachers available to fulfill this leave. The resolution to be a part of the Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program allows us to receive free items such as office supplies, furniture for the classrooms, file cabinets, etc.

Board Action

Based on the recent Executive Order and a commitment to the staff, the Liberty School District is providing saliva tests for those staff members who are not vaccinated and need to be tested weekly through a company called Achieve.

Also, the school board gave the superintendent the authority to apply for a FY22 Maintenance Grant for carpet in K-2 and the chorus and band rooms. This is a matching grant where the state provides \$50,000 and the school matches it. We have the funds in the Tort Fund for safety and enhancing the learning environment. The carpet is nasty, fraying in areas causing a trip hazard, and has been thrown up on, urinated on, and had food spilt on it last year due to eating lunch in the classrooms. We think this would be a wise expenditure for little ones who sit on the carpet for many activities during "normal" times.