

Dist. U-46 Board formally ratifies budget

By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 unanimously approved, a 7-0 vote, the Fiscal Year 2020 budget which increased spending by 6.5 percent but projects a 2.5 percent decline in enrollment at its meeting on Monday, Sept. 23.

Expenditures are set at \$594.3 million (\$36.2 million higher than last year's \$558.1 million) and enrollment is expected to drop by 950 students, 38,394 to 37,444. Spending increases with enrollment declines has become a longterm trend in U-46 and is projected to continue indefinitely.

Revenues are set at \$596 million, up \$34.9 million or 6.2 percent from \$561.1 million.

Salaries and benefits are the largest expense at \$403.7 million (\$14.4 million increase from last year). Salaries will have risen \$49 million (\$254 million to \$303 million) since 2016 and benefits by \$11 million (\$90 million to \$101 million) which combined is over \$38 million faster than the rate of inflation according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) inflation calculator.

Local sources make up the largest revenue side which is expected to increase \$9.3 million (\$323.6 million to \$332.9 million) including a \$3.1 million increase in property tax revenue (\$303.8 million to \$306.9 million). U-46 plans to again raise its property tax levy by the maximum allowed under the law while also planning an abatement.

The district expects to receive \$197 million from the state under the socalled "evidence-based" funding formula, an increase of \$22.5 million from last year.

The projected loss of 950 students this year would be the fifth straight year of enrollment declines, but U-46 plans to increase staff by 84 full-time employees (FTE) for a total of 4,810. U-46 expects to only utilize 67 percent of its capacity. The number of FTEs will have risen by 576, an addition on average of 115.2 FTEs annually, since 2016 while enrollment has declined by over 2,000 students since then.

From FY2012 to FY2019, enrollment has dropped 5.6 percent (2,293 fewer students) and spending has increased by \$128.1 million (29.8 percent) which is over \$80 million faster than the rate of inflation according to the BLS inflation calculator. Forecasted from 2018-2019 to 2022-2023, the district expects a loss of 3,449 more students, 862.3 annually, for a 9 percent decrease in enrollment (38,394 to 34,945). At the same time, spending is projected to rise 14 percent to \$636.2 million total. Using budget information and Illinois State Board of Education data, if the district's future forecasts become reality there will have been a 14.1 percent decline in enrollment from 40,687 students in 2012 while costs will have risen 48 percent from \$430 million in FY2012. The budget is \$14.7 million higher in spending from the tentative budget of \$579.6 million in June and \$35.2 million higher than the \$559.1 million set in the FY2019 budget projections. The board spent little time discussing the budget but provided their own justification.

When first presented at the Aug. 12 meeting, the board spent less than 10 minutes discussing the budget with the majority of that time spent by the administration lauding itself for increasing staff, and at the Sept. 9 meeting it took less than a minute to present the budget resolution.

Board member John Devereux said at the August meeting that he had questions but didn't need to ask them because of the details in the budget. Board member Melissa Owens, who was absent at the August meeting, echoed that prior to the vote saying "the team does a really great job of developing that executive summary" to "explain the thinking behind the budget."

Owens said she was "happy to support this budget" and that it "is holding the line on property tax increases" because of the planned abatement, a procedure that the district says effectively holds property tax rates flat.

However, the district has admitted in the past that the abatement holds the tax increases into the future meaning taxpayers will pay the increases in the future.

Dale Burnidge, director of financial operations, said "looking forward, we're projecting about \$6 million a year" in additional property taxation with an estimated levy of \$324 million by 2022.

In Kane County, where U-46 is based, property values have dropped by 29 percent but property taxes have risen by 4 percent since 2007 according to Illinois Department of Revenue and Federal Housing Finance Agency numbers.

Based on the district's revenue projections for this year, U-46 could theoretically cut its property tax levy by over \$30 million and still increase spending this year. If the levy were held flat, spending could increase by \$33.1 million.

U-46 CEO Tony Sanders said the trend of more spending with less students is justified because the state says U-46 is "the furthest from adequacy" of other unit school district under the "evidence-based" funding formula, a bill which gives Illinois control in determining how school districts spend funde Since other schools spend more, Owens said U-46 needs to spend more. She lamented a "shortfall" between how much U-46 spends per student compared to the state average according to the annual report card released by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE).

The \$594.3 million in budgeted spending along with projected enrollment of 37,444 equates to \$15,872 per student. ISBE's numbers from last year showed the state average per student spending was \$13,337 in last year's report card.



Passing touch

With Glenbard South's Gabe Alcala in pursuit across the field, Streamwood's Alejandro Morales executed a pass to a teammate from in front of the Raiders goal on Monday, Sept. 23 at Millennium Field. For story and more photos see page 8. (Examiner photo by Bruce Leighty)

Alternative academy updates reviewed

By Seth Hancock

The Board of Education in School District U-46 was presented with an update on alternative placement programming, which includes some changes. The presentation was given at the Sept. 9 meeting, board member Eva Porter was absent.

The academy located at the central office is a full-day program similar to the general education high schools while various co-ops at other sites, including Elgin's Larkin High School, are for students at least 17 years old who attend classes three hours a day and work at least 10 hours a week with up to two credits earned for their job. An objective of the Dream Academy is to eventually transition students back to their home school or other traditional programs according to the presentation. The Phoenix program, new this year, provides credit recovery opportunities for students aged 17 to 20 with an objective of graduation with transition plans into college or work. Total current enrollment is 22 with a capacity up to 60. The central school programs are for students with individualized education plans, or IEPs. The programs include Moving On, Student Work Experience Program (SWEP) and Center House and Leatrice Satterwhite, director of specialized student services, said

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The state hiked the personal income tax rates by 32 percent and the corporate tax rate by 33.3 percent to pay for the "evidence-based" formula. Furthermore, state taxpayers have seen hikes recently with 21 new tax and fee increases signed by Gov. J.B. Pritzker with more being proposed.

Illinois is \$161.3 billion in debt according to usdebtclock.org, population has continued to decline and it is ranked the worst in the nation for financial health according to George Mason University's Mercatus Center's annual report. Since 2010, Moody's Investor Service has consistently rated Illinois as the worst state in the nation with a near junk-bond status and \$234 billion in unfunded pension liabilities.

Owens said U-46 has seen "slightly declining enrollment" which "does not impact our overhead at all," and "this is about providing a service to our students, and that's what this budget does." Sue Kerr, the board's president, said she agreed with that assessment. The program's discussed included the Dream Academy, a credit recovery program called Phoenix, central school programs and private placement.

Suzanne Johnson, deputy superintendent of instruction, said "some of these programs have seen a number of recent updates" and U-46 strives for instruction to be "culturally, linguistically and are developmentally appropriate for all of our students."

The Dream Academy is for high school students which includes 194 students (20 freshmen, 54 sophomores, 65 juniors, 55 seniors) enrolled this school year. Those students are predominantly male (105) while Hispanics/Latinos have made up the largest ethnicity since the 2014-2015 school year, between 64 and 72 percent.

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ACE increased funding reviewed by U-46 board

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The Board of Education in School District U-46 was given an update on the Alignment Collaborative for Education (ACE) at its meeting on Monday, Sept. 9. Board member Eva Porter was absent from the meeting.

ACE was founded in 2013 under former Superintendent Jose Torres and is comprised of government and business entities within U-46. The original intent was that the organization would be solely funded by private fundraising, but U-46 is the largest annual funder for ACE.

Nancy Coleman, ACE's executive director, said that the group's mission is the same as when it started.

"There were three primary focus areas for alignment," Coleman said.

The Streamwood volleyball team

struggled to stop Willowbrook as the

Sabres dropped a 25-16, 25-12 noncon-

ference match on Monday, Sept. 23 at

The Sabres fell behind by as much as

11 in Game 1, and Willowbrook went

on to build a 17-4 lead in Game 2 as

Streamwood struggled to get past the

visitor's defense. Streamwood did

make a 5-1 run in Game 2 to pull to 18-

"They're a scrappy team," said

Streamwood coach Shelly Mueller.

"They don't let anything hit the floor,

and I've known that about Willow-

brook. I've seen them a couple of

times in my coaching career, and they

just don't let the ball die and it's frus-

trating to a team. You give them three,

four, five chances to get a kill on us be-

Despite the loss, the Sabres did show

some fight. Trailing 20-9 in Game 1, Streamwood rallied to 22-16 behind

two of Peyton Hedger's three aces of

the night, two of Kaylee Angle's team-

cause they dig everything."

9, but it came no closer.

Sabres volleyball squad

splits pair of matches

"One is early education preparation, the second one is looking at elementary, middle and high school trauma informed care and the third one is educational pathways to post-secondary careers."

Peter Sikorski, ACE's current chair, said in 2017 that the organization was designed as a way to tell the public what its could do to serve U-46 rather than how the government body can serve the taxpayers who fund it.

"It was a combination of government organizations, civic organizations and the business community really all coming together to say 'what does U-46 need of the community to have broad community support?' To me, that was much different than an organization looking to tell U-46 what to

do," Sikorski, then ACE's vice chair, said at the time.

The board doubled its funding to ACE last year from \$25,000 to \$51,000 while the group is now budgeting for another \$51,000 contribution from U-46 this year. A presentation and vote dates for the funding have not yet been set.

ACE intended to ask for \$60,000 this year as referenced by Sue Kerr, the board's president, as she asked why the increase was being asked.

A memo stated that ACE wanted the \$9,000 increase because the annual career expo it hosts for students was "having an evening and day event this year," which increased the cost by \$2,500 to \$3,000. ACE expected this year's event to cost \$11,000 total compared to \$8,000 last year.

ACE's presentation stated that 28 percent of its funding comes from U-46 with an additional 16 percent from other government entities. It's budget from July of 2018 through June of 2019 showed \$182,538 in expenses with the largest portion being salaries and wages, \$120,469, primarily to Coleman, while this year's budget has \$204,075 in spending, \$142,885 going to salary expenses.

In 2016, U-46 CEO Tony Sanders said "this is all paid for through fundraising" but a "portion to kick it off from U-46" was provided at the start. In 2017, ACE asked for \$25,000 a year for three years but the U-46 board opted for one year citing little transparency, and the board then provided \$51,000 in 2018.

In 2017, Kerr said: "I would support a one-year because my concern with ACE in the past has been, they've done the curriculum fair, but it has not always been clear to me what else they

Until recently, ACE didn't provide budget data to the board. In 2017, the district didn't know how much ACE's executive director made when asked prior to a presentation by former board member Jeanette Ward. A memo stated: "Administration is unaware of the Executive Director's salary."

At the Sept. 9 meeting, Coleman stated that ACE received a grant for books which she valued at \$70,700. She said \$25,000 worth of books went to U-46 and the rest to other organizations.

Coleman said ACE launched a summer reading pilot program at Cornerstone and Izaak Walton parks in Elgin through \$7,500 in funds from Elgin Township. She said a \$11,900 grant through Kane County Fit for Kids was received to hold an event at Festival Park in Elgin for promotion of early education and community wellness.

The number of schools with trauma informed care teams increased from five to 26 over the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years according to Coleman, and the number of students served under educational pathways and work-based learning, such as attendance at the career expo, has increased from over 1,1000 to over 6,000. Kerr said that "there's a lot of Elgin focus" and "I sometimes worry that Bartlett and Streamwood, I don't see them as involved."

"Actually, we have put a good bit of work-based learning into Bartlett," Coleman said. She said Bartlett High School's academy students have a 40hour internship requirement, and ACE has helped secure some intern-

The Village of Bartlett has held a summer internship the past two summers in collaboration with ACE.

ships for students.





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61 percent of the students are in the program for emotional disabilities.

SWEP "follows a functional curriculum designed to support students as they develop self-determination skills and independent living skills" which "blends work, classroom activities and community instruction," according to the presentation.

The center house is "an actual house... that the district owns" near Elgin's Coleman Elementary School, Satterwhite said. Students meet at the house daily and learn life skills, like depositing paychecks, with students starting after finishing high school and staying through the age of 22. SWEP and Center House are made up of all seniors with roughly 20 a year since 2017 in SWEP and 22 to 25 a year for Center House, and the Moving On program (seventh through 12th graders) has increased from 71 in 2017 to 114 in 2019. Males are predominately enrolled (60 percent Center House, 54 percent SWEP, 70 percent Moving On) and Hispanics/Latinos the predominant ethnicity (70 percent Center House, 63 percent SWEP, 42 percent Moving On) this year. Private placement includes therapeutic day schools that "offer a more restrictive setting than the self-contained classrooms at the elementary and middle school levels as well as Central School Programs," the presentation

high seven kills, a kill by Mariely Sotelo (eight digs, two kills) and an ace by Mary Rackow (eight assists). Hannah Jenig finished with seven digs, Leandra Gottschalk five assists and Vivian Sumoski three kills.

That fight also showed up as the Sabres bounced back with an Upstate Eight Conference win 23-25, 25-22, 25-19 against East Aurora on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at Streamwood. Natalie Stoch (seven kills, 11 digs), Angle (seven kills), Sumoski (six kills, one block), Sotelo (17 digs, four kills), Jenig (18 digs), Rackow (15 assists, three aces), Gottschalk (nine assists) and Hedger (two kills) led the effort.

"When we're down, we're never going to give up," Mueller said. "We're going to keep on fighting, and I think we've shown that in the last couple weeks."

Mueller added: "We've been mentally challenging ourselves in practice to kind of develop that fighter, competitor mentality.'

Streamwood is now 8-16 overall, 2-2 in the UEC.

states.

Enrollment in private placement has been around or over 200 annually since 2017 with high school seniors the largest group (42 students) males (73 percent) and whites (36 percent) the largest groups in 2019.

For interim alternative educational settings, Johnson said the district has been overly reliant on outside sites like the Streamwood Behavioral Health Services to place students with behavioral issues.

To address that the administration proposed, which the board approved at the Sept. 23 meeting, a three-year contract with Catapult Learning at a cost of \$1 million to provide a kindergarten through second grade, third through fifth grade and sixth through eighth grade classroom for those students at Elgin's Kimball Middle School starting next year. For several of the programs, the stated objective was to hopefully transition students back to their home schools. Hallie Furtak, the board's student advisor, asked if the district had data on how successful it has been at meeting that objective, but the administration said they did not. Sue Kerr, the board's president, asked about the criteria for transitioning back and when they are transitioned back after meeting the criteria. The administration said they hold discussions with school and district staff as well as the student's family to determine criteria, and if they transition back it is at the start of a new school year or new semester.





Looking to settle down

Arty came to the shelter as a stray and is currently the head of the Shelter Welcoming Committee. He has accomplished a lot in his young life and now this handsome young bachelor is ready to settle down. Arty is not afraid to show his sensitive side and indulge in an evening of cuddles! Arty is 1.5 years old, neutered, up-to-date on vaccines, and ready to be a true love. For more information please call 407-2800 or email animalservices@dupageco.org.

(Photo courtesy of County Animal Control)

Police Reports

BARTLETT

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Bartlett High graduate joins area fire district

By Kristin Carreno

Streamwood Village Clerk Kittie Kopitke swore-in Erik Lira as a new Streamwood firefighter and paramedic during the Streamwood Village Board meeting on Thursday, Sept. 19.

According to Village President Billie Roth, Lira attended the fire academy at McHenry County College in 2014 after receiving his associate degree in fire science from Elgin Community College. In 2016 Lira received his paramedic training at Sherman Hospital in Elgin. He was employed by Carpentersville Fire Department prior to joining the Streamwood Fire Department in 2018.

According to Fire Chief Chris Clark, the badge is a distinctive emblem worn over the heart that marks an individual's office, membership or achievement and has been around since the middle ages. "Today we know badges mainly as shields worn by police and firefighters," said Clark. "Badges are a symbol of honor, bravery and loyalty."

Clark asked Lira who he would like to have pin his badge on him.

Lira answered, "My wife, Kiersten." Clark stated he was very pleased to have Lira with the Streamwood Fire Department.

According to Clark, Lira is from the area, growing up in Bartlett and he graduated from Bartlett High School. "We stole Erik from Carpentersville,"

"We stole Erik from Carpentersville," Clark said. "He is very hardworking. It is not an easy task to make it through your probation but through the help of several mentors within our department he has gone through all the training and he is now able to function independently as a firefight-





er and paramedic. We are very proud of him."

Annual open house slated to demonstrate fire safety

The Bartlett Fire Protection District will be hosting this year's annual Open House on Saturday, October 5, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Open House is located at Bartlett Fire Protection District Station 1, 234 North Oak Ave.

The Bartlett Fire Protection District's fire prevention week theme this year is "close before you doze." According to Underwriters Laboratories Fire-fighter Safety Research Institute, closing your bedroom door could save your life. Fire is getting faster, so if you can get out, get out. But if you can't, a closed-door could make a life-saving difference.

The Bartlett Fire Protection District will have a live-fire demonstration that shows the difference a closed bedroom door can make in holding back a fire's heat.

In tests, temperatures reached a dangerous 1000° fahrenheit in an opendoor room, while temperatures in a closed-door room stayed under 100° fahrenheit.

Other events will include a vehicle extrication demonstration, sprinkler house, medical helicopter landing, Central DuPage medical stroke unit, guided station tours, hands-on displays, Sparky the fire dog, food, and more.

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★ At 2:39 p.m. police responded to Walmart, 850 S. Barrington Road for a report of retail theft. Eva Salazar-Gonzalez of the 3900 block of Sanpiper Drive, Hanover Park, was arrested for retail theft/under \$300. It was also discovered that she had three outstanding DuPage County warrants. She was transported to the police station where she later posted bond and was released with an unspecified court date.

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Fire District promotes Tierney to lieutenant

By Kristin Carreno

During the Village Board meeting on Thurs-day, Sept. 19, Streamwood Firefighter Chris Tierney was promoted to the rank of lieutenant. Village Clerk Kittie Kopitke swore-in Tierney whose wife, Abby, did the pinning of his badge. According to Village

President Billie Roth, Tierney started his career with the Streamwood Fire Department in

March 2010. He was previously employed with the Bartlett Fire Protection District. He received his paramedic training in 2008 at Sherman Hospital and earned his bachelor's degree in fire science from Anna Maria College in Paxton, Massachusetts.

According to Fire Chief Chris Clark, a lieutenant oversees a single company and they are working supervisors who are responsible for the training, mentoring, safety and productivity of those working under their command.

"In the early days of North American fire departments officers gave orders to the troops with the use of a large brass device commonly called bugles,' said Clark. "The person with the bugle hanging around his neck was easily identified as the person in charge. Officers became identified with these objects so a small pin in the shape of a bugle became the type of rank insignia. The more bugles on the collar, the higher the rank. That expression is still used today. A lieutenant is identified by a single bugle."

Clark added one reason Tierney was



Village Clerk Kittie Kopitke swearing in Lt. Chris (Courtesy photo) Tierney.

promoted was due to Lt. Tim McCoy retiring last week after 41 years of service.

"Tim is going to come up and pin his rank insignia onto Chris' shirt," Clark said.

McCoy, along with members of the Streamwood Fire Department and Bartlett Fire Protection District, joined Clark and Tierney at the front of the room.

"This signifies a continuity of command with Tim passing it on to Chris," Clark said as McCoy pinned the bugle emblem on Tierney.

Clark then commented about Tierney's impact on the fire department since joining its ranks.

"We did take him away from Bartlett but he has done amazing things since he has been here," Clark said. "He is on our hazmat team, technical rescue team and he teaches fire science courses. He already has a lot of influence on the future and we are very confident that within our department he will have a great influence on our members to help mentor them and help them be great firefighters as well."



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Sabres football fall to 2-3 after loss to East Aurora

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood football team couldn't stave off East Aurora's late rally as the Sabres fell 19-6 in Upstate Eight Conference play on Saturday, Sept. 28 in Aurora. The game was moved from Friday due to inclement weather.

All of the game's scoring came in the second half and the Sabres trailed 3-0 in the third quarter when Buddy Martinez ran for a 36-yard touchdown run and a 6-3 Streamwood lead. After that, East Aurora scored 16 unanswered points to end the game.

Streamwood was outgained 318-196 in total yards including a 250-159 advantage by East Aurora for rushing yards. Sabres quarterback Andrew Phan threw for 37 yards.

Despite the loss, which dropped Streamwood to 2-3 overall and in the UEC, the Sabres are still alive for a potential playoff berth thanks to wins in the second and third weeks, the first consecutive victories for the program since 2011. Streamwood needs to win at least three of its final four games for eligibility as it faces Elgin (1-4), Glenbard East (4-1), West Chicago (0-5) and Bartlett (4-1).

"We've just got to get back to what we do," said Streamwood coach Don Guindon. "We have ball control on offense, we stop the run and try and take the big plays away on defense."

Guindon added: "We're trying to eliminate maybe that one mistake and improve upon that."

South Elgin tops Fenton, Larkin and Guilford



With his back to the Larkin net, the Storm's Lucas Reutimann launched a shot off an elevated ball that resulted in a goal over the Royals keeper for South Elgin's first score and a 1-0 lead. Larkin's Alberto Cruz was defending on the effort.

By Seth Hancock

The South Elgin soccer team had a big week winning three straight including back-to-back Upstate Eight Conference victories against Fenton and Larkin to improve to 6-6-3 overall, 2-1-2 in the UEC.

Lucas Reutimann scored two goals and both Elijah Patrick and Bryce Jungers one as the Storm defeated Larkin 4-1 on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at South Elgin. Jose Rangel had two assists and both Danny Quintana and Elias Hernandez one while goalies Christian Andrews (two saves) and Zach Juszko split time.

That win came after a 5-2 victory over Fenton on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at

South Elgin.

The Storm's forwards all had a big game led by Quintana (two goals, two assists), Reutimann (two goals), Nick Flores (assist) and Angel Garcia-Resendiz (assist). Defender Ryan Doherty also added a goal, and Andrew finished with three saves.

"Our off the ball movement today was really good, and it opened up a lot of different things for us," said South Elgin coach Jerzy Skowron. "The movement between those four attacking guys that we have at the top was really beautiful to watch."

Although running away in the end, the game was close most of the night with South Elgin leading just 2-1 at halftime.

In the final 15 minutes

of play, four total goals were scored starting with back-to-back strikes by Quintana with the second on a solid strike from 20 yards out finding the top right of the net with 10:48 left for the 4-1 lead. Fenton converted a penalty kick before Reutimann's second goal ended the scoring.

als' Christian Maldonado.

"Just the whole team played really well today," Quintana said. "It's our first game that we played really good all the way around."

Against Guilford, the Storm finished the week with a 3-1 nonconference win on Thursday, Sept. 26 at South Elgin.

> Quintana, Andres Rivera and Ethan Cup each scored, Doherty had an assist and both Juszko (two saves) and An

drew (one save) spent time in the net.

Skowron said nearing the final stretch of the season, he's seeing some good things but said the team needs more discipline. He also said he's been happy with his team's defensive efforts but there tends to be some lapses and struggles on set pieces which has led to the Storm not having a shutout this season.

"We've already eclipsed our win total from last year which is a big boost for them," Skowron said. "It's just consistency and discipline that's really the two biggest issues we've had so far."

Skowron added: "I want a shutout. These boys desperately need a shutout, they desperately deserve a shutout for that extra pat on the back heading into the final stretch."





intercept a looping Larkin throw in while in front of the Roy-



South Elgin's Bryce Jungers, left, battling with Larkin's Francisco Lopez Gonzalez for control of the ball.

Elijah Patrick of South Elgin bouncing up from the turf while staying focused on the ball after being knocked down by contact with Larkin's Jesus Alonso. (Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty)

Bartlett improves to 4-1 with win over Fenton

By Seth Hancock

The Bartlett football team is now a win away from playoff eligibility after defeating Fenton 48-22 in Upstate Eight Conference play on Saturday, Sept. 28 at Millennium Field in Streamwood.

It was a two-day affair for the Hawks as weather forced some changes including moving from the grass field at Bartlett to the turf at Millennium Field, and the game got started earlier on Friday evening. Led by quarterback Michael Priami, the Hawks built a 21-0 lead midway through the second quarter when the game was postponed to Saturday.

when the game was postponed to Saturday. "We saw some good things and some things we need to correct which is a benefit for us, having time to get back to it and make sure that we are all set for tomorrow," Bartlett coach Matt Erlenbaugh said Friday night. "We tried to bump up the start time even more to get ahead of (the weather). We've just got to come back to play to-

come back to play to morrow."

An Alec Palella interception led to Bartlett's first score Friday night, a 20-yard touchdown catch by Matt Young from Priami. The score was 14-0 after the first quarter with Priami adding a 54-yard TD run, and he threw a 64-yard TD pass to Palella in the second quarter before the postponement of play.

That lead setup the win on Saturday as Bartlett outscored Fenton 27-22.

The Hawks are now 4-1 overall and in the UEC and with a win this week against West Chicago (0-5) they will be eligible for the postseason while two wins over the final four weeks automatically secures a playoff spot. Of Bartlett's final four games, only rival South Elgin (5-0) has a winning record.



Bartlett's Max Nordlund blocked Fenton's Nickolas Benn's carry.



Bartlett's Jordan Snyder managed to break free from several Fenton player's grasp on a carry in the first half. (Examiner photos by Caroline Hollis)







Fenton's Andre Bess was unable to stop Bartlett's Alec Palella from a 80 yard touchdown for the Hawks.

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Bartlett's Michael Priami mid-pass in the first quarter against Fenton.

Bartlett's Nicholas Bucaro with a carry for the Hawks.

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Hawks play to pair of scoreless ties in week



Cesar Palomares of the Hawks pivoting to the ball near midfield as he seized possession of the ball away from front of Glenbard West's Brayan Gonzalez. (*Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty*)

By Seth Hancock

Ties have become a trend for the Bartlett soccer team which finished in two 0-0 ties against nonconference foe Glenbard West on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at Bartlett and in Upstate Eight Conference play against Glenbard East on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at Glenbard East.

The Hawks are now 4-2-6 overall, 1-1-2 in the UEC, and although not putting a tally in the win column, Hawks coach Vince Revak has been happy with his team's performances after a tough loss against Larkin the previous week.

"We have five ties, but we have tied some really quality teams like St. Charles East, Glenbard West today," Revak said on Tuesday. "A tie is not a win, but there is such a thing as a good tie and we have had some." In the first half against Glenbard West, the Hawks had the wind advantage but it wasn't until the second half when they controlled the play. Giovanni Palid and Amine Medmoun had solid shots on goal late in the game while Mauricio Vigil, Cesar Palomares and Raj Parikh all had solid attempts go just wide or high.

"It was interesting because we thought getting the wind to our backs we were going to have the advantage in the first half," Revak said. "We actually looked better playing into the wind in the second half."

Goalie Israel Cuautle made five saves in the effort. The Hawks have scored only two goals in their last four games, and Revak said they are struggling to produce shots after strong attacks. He has been hap-

py with the play of Kamil Jarzabek who



Bartlett's Amine Medmoun attempting to penetrate past the Glenbard West defense during a Hawks offensive rush.

has generated a lot of opportunities.

"Kamil is doing an awesome job making runs, and he set up some good chances today (against West)," Revak said. "Overall, we tend to panic when we get to the final third."

On the other end, Bartlett shutout a pair of squads that entered their matches with the Hawks with 7-3 records. Glenbard West entered with a three-goal per game scoring average and Glenbard East 2.9.

Revak was without defender Francesco Espana due to illness but was happy with the play of Sebastian Gonzalez, Sebastian Gluzak and Zander Zamora in the back as well as the defensive efforts of Hernan Garcia and Nico Gomez in the midfield.





Hawks keeper Israel Cuautle maintained his concentration in securing the ball in front of his net after absorbing contact with Glenbard West's Owen Schiff.

The Hawks' Raj Parikh watched as an elevated ball whizzed past him as he was unable to corral it on Tuesday, Sept. 24 in a match against the Hilltoppers.

Goal flood gates open, Sabres top Raiders 7-2

By Seth Hancock

The Streamwood soccer team got a much-needed offensive boost as the Sabres defeated Glenbard South 7-2 in Upstate Eight Conference play on Monday, Sept. 23 at Millennium Field.

Although eventually running away with things, the game was starting to look like déjà vu for the Sabres entering halftime. Streamwood came into the game with just a one-goal per game scoring average despite often dominating play with plenty of opportunities.

Against Glenbard South, Angel Diaz scored in the game's first two minutes, but despite plenty of chances Streamwood led just 1-0 by halftime. In the second half, however, the Sabres scored six times finishing with two goals each from Diaz, Alejandro

Morales (two assists) and Edwin Peralta and one from Aaron Taboada.

Leo Magana finished the game with three assists and Joel Sandoval one.

"We've been in this black hole of having 15 or more chances and coming away with just a goal," said Streamwood coach Matt Polovin. "This was a good chance to get back to doing what we do, putting the pressure on and keeping it on. They needed a game like this to really put a team away and go at them."

The biggest goal of the game would be the fourth. Streamwood scored twice in the span of a minute for a 3-0 lead with 36:41 left to play, but Glenbard South rallied for a pair of goals pulling to 3-2 with 27:40 on the clock.

With 24:50 left to play, Morales finished for a 4-2 lead after a Taboada shot was initially stopped, and that was the first of four unanswered goals the rest of the game.

"That kind of got us back up as a team," Morales said. "We were kind of getting down on each other a bit, so it was big to get our confidence back. That goal brought us back to life and helped us push harder."

Goalies Antonio Herrera (one save) and Eduardo Del Rio (one save) split time in the net.

The Sabres went on to finish with a 1-1 tie against Elgin in UEC play on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at Millennium Field. Morales scored off a Diaz assist, and Del Rio recorded three saves.

Streamwood is now 5-6-3 overall, 2-1-1 in the UEC.



While about 30 yards in front of the Glenbard South goal, the Sabres' Edwin Peralta, left, tracked an elevated ball waiting to assume possession upon its return to the turf as the Raiders' Gabe Alcala closed on Peralta.



Sandwiched between the Raiders' Jake Larson, left, and Josh Cohen, the Sabres' Harvey Partida had elevated in an effort to head in a shot off a corner kick, however, he was beaten to the ball



Glenbard South defender Nick Drinnane, left, was spun around while attempting to prohibit the Sabres' Aaron Taboada from progressing along the sideline deep in the Raiders end of the pitch.





Much of the first half was played deep in the Glenbard South end of the field as it was when Streamwood's Jose Banuelos attempted to dribble around the Raiders' Owen Lange. (*Examiner photos by Bruce Leighty*)