

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Almont Community Schools Board of Education**  
**August 24, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Paul Bowman called the Regular Board Meeting of the Almont Community Schools Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Almont High School 4701 Howland Rd. Almont, Mi 48003.

**Present**

Jennifer Mitchell, Michael Sullivan, John Miles, John Brzozowski, Dallas Walton, Jill O'Neil, Paul Bowman and Superintendent Dr. William Kalmar.

**Visitors:** 7

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** All Present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda was approved as presented

**COMMUNICATIONS**

PFM Financial Advisors presented Bond Refinancing options  
Axium presented back to school cleaning and disinfecting procedures  
Dr. Kalmar introduced the new 5<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AUDIENCE**

Rebecca S. – inquired about spray disinfectant we would be using  
Rebecca S. – IEP question

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: BOARD**

Discussed cleaning procedures

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Miles, supported by O'Neil, the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting July 27th, 2020
- B. Approval of the Minutes from the Closed Meeting on March 23, 2020
- C. Approval of the Minutes from the Closed Meeting on June 15, 2020

**P, 121, 7-0-0**

**BILLS PAYABLE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Motion by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the bills payable and the financial reports as proposed by the administration and reviewed by the Finance Committee.

**July 27, 2020 - August 24, 2020**

General Fund Total	\$	214,609.98
School Lunch Fund*	\$	18,884.57
2014 Sinking Fund	\$	-
2012 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2013 SBL Refinance	\$	-
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
Sub-total	\$	<u>233,494.55</u>

**ACH/Wire Transactions:**

Payroll	\$	639,363.78
EduStaff	\$	84.87
Health Equity H.S.A. Payments	\$	14,097.98
2012 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2013 SBL Refinance	\$	-
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
QZAB Energy	\$	-
Procure Fees Automatic payment	\$	18.04
Meal Magic Fees Automatic Payment	\$	-
Total Funds Spent	\$	<u><u>887,059.22</u></u>

Check numbers 39840-39899

Void checks n/a

Approval of check numbers covering these invoices range from check number 39840 - 39899 and voided checks as presented: Voided check(s): None

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**ORCHARD PRIMARY, ALMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND ALMONT HIGH SCHOOL TRUST AND AGENCY ACCOUNT REPORTS**

The Trust and Agency Accounts were approved as presented.

Miles – have fundraising plans changed.

Kalmar – will check with Mr. Gauthier

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Superintendent’s Report**

Dr. Kalmar discussed how the state revenue is coming in better than expected.

## Board of Education: Questions

### NEW BUSINESS

#### Finance

##### Adult Lunch Pricing

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education establish adult lunch and breakfast rates for the 2020/2021 school year as follows:

	2019/2020	CHANGE	2020/2021
<b><u>Adults (all buildings)</u></b>			
Breakfast	2.10	SAME	\$2.10
Lunch	3.85	.05	\$3.90
Milk	.50	0	\$.50

**P, 123, 7-0-0**

##### Approval of Series A Refunding Bonds

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education adopt the resolutions authorizing the issuance and delegating the sale of Almont Community Schools 2012 Refunding Bonds as presented a copy of which to be marked VIII(B)2 and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

Roll Call

Ayes – Walton, Brzozowski, Miles, Mitchell, O’Neil, Sullivan, Bowman

Nays - None

**P, 124, 7-0-0**

##### Approval of Series B Refunding Bonds

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education adopt the resolution authorizing refunding the balance owed to the state under the School Bond Loan refunding program as presented a copy to which to be marked VII(B)3 and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

Roll Call

Ayes – Mitchell, O’Neil, Walton, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Miles, Bowman

Nays - None

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#### Personnel

##### Resignations

Moved by O’Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education accept the resignations of Greg Mangiapane, Ashley Beischer, Kim Vineyard and Breanna Jostock and wish them well in the future.

**P, 126, 7-0-0**

### **New Hires**

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the following new ACS hires:

Bailey Cross 4<sup>th</sup> grade  
Donna Walker 5<sup>th</sup> grade  
Michele Henderson  
JeraLee Osko

**P, 127, 7-0-0**

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the following GECS positions:

Permanent Subs for the Middle School, High School and Orchard Primary.

**P, 128, 7-0-0**

### **Recall**

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the attached resolution as presented. Said resolution is to be marked VIII C(3) and attached to the official minutes of this meeting.

**P, 129, 7-0-0**

### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes -Miles, Brzozowski, Walton, Sullivan, Mitchell, O'Neil, Bowman

Nays - None

### **Policy**

#### **Approval of School of Choice Students**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education accept the students on the attached list for the 2020/2021 school year through the 105 and 105C Schools of Choice Programs.

**P, 130, 7-0-0**

#### **Approval of Overnight Trip Resolution**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Brzozowski, Board of Education approve the following resolution:

*WHEREAS, the Almont Board of Education supports extracurricular programs as an extension of the classroom learning environment; and*

*WHEREAS, the various extracurricular clubs and teams are provided opportunities to participate in activities and competitions which require overnight stays at locations outside of the Almont School district service area; and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires that extracurricular clubs and teams and/or individual club or team members take advantage of these opportunities.*

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve overnight trips for students participating in extracurricular programs during the 2020/2021 school year, with the Board of Education to be provided with the following information prior to any students embarking on such trips:*

*Date of Event*

*Accommodations for Food/Lodging*

*List of Chaperones*

*Trip Itinerary*

*Means of Transportation*

*Cost*

**P, 131, 7-0-0**

## **Roll Call**

**Ayes – Miles, O’Neil, Brzozowski, Walton, Sullivan, Mitchell, Bowman**

**Nays - None**

## **Approval of Policy**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education takes the following action:

Approve Policy 2266

Rescind Policy 5517.02

as recommended by Neola.

**P, 132, 7-0-0**

## **Policy First Read(s)**

**This is the first read. Policy will be approved next month.**

## **Policy 4362.01 Threatening Behavior Toward Staff Members (Revised)**

The corresponding policy (Policy 3362.01) for instructional staff was revised in the Volume 34 Number 2 Update in February 2020 in response to client requests to provide more clarity to the characterization of "threatening behavior".

This revision is recommended for adoption.

## **Policy 5610 - Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, and Permanent Exclusion of Students (Revised)**

Additional language to include what documentation the District shall retain.

## **Policy 5611 – Due Process Rights (Revised)**

Revisions to these 2 policies provide for the use of the “Preponderance of Evidence” standard of evidence in determination of student discipline. This standard is consistent with the standard of evidence that has been applied in the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment policies in effect. In addition “Retention of Investigatory Records” has been added to both policies.

These revisions are recommended for adoption.

## **Policy 7440 - Facility Security (Revised)**

This policy has been revised in response to Public Act 2020-45 (effective June 1, 2020), which authorizes the Superintendent to install temporary door locking devices when deemed necessary. The law requires notification and approval of local fire department and law enforcement agencies, as well as the training of staff working in the building where such devices are used.

This optional language should be adopted if such a device or system is to be used.

## **Policy 8450.01 – Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic (New)**

This new policy is provided in response to client requests. It is based on guidance from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The guidance and content of this policy may be included in the District’s Restart/Reopening plan for the 2020-21 school year. The policy provides coverage for students, district employees, and volunteers/visitors.

This new policy is provided for district consideration.

## **Resolution Granting the Superintendent Temporary Powers During 2020-2021**

Moved by Mitchell, and Supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the attached resolution giving the Superintendent greater flexibility to respond quickly and appropriately to the evolving crisis ensuring compliance with Executive Orders and also adapting to the changing environment.

Discussion:

Mitchell – inquired whether or not we really need to do this. Discussion around need for this resolution and why or why not it should be passes.

Roll Call

Ayes – O’Neil, Miles, Brzozowski, Bowman

Nays – Mitchell, Walton, Sullivan

**P, 133, 4-3-0**

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: Audience**

J.Smith – inquired if possible to Zoom the live meetings and if meetings are staying in the cafeteria would need microphones – hard to hear with social distancing.

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Bowman – we have been looking into the technology needed to Zoom or stream the meetings to the public and have their participation. Goal would be to keep the committee meetings on Zoom and have the Regular meetings back in the Media Center with the Board and stream for the community.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**None**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Miles, supported by O’Neil, the Regular Meeting be adjourned at 9:11 pm on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**P, 134, 7-0-0**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Date

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

John Miles, Secretary

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Paul Bowman, President