

MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
Almont Community Schools Board of Education
August 28, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

President Owens called the Regular Board Meeting of the Almont Community Schools Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. in Media Center at Almont High School, 4701 Howland Rd., Almont, MI 48003

Present

Johnathan Owens, Jill O'Neil, Jennifer Mitchell, Michael Sullivan, John Miles, John Brzozowski, Stephan Manko and Superintendent Dr. William Kalmar.

Visitors: 1

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: All Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda was amended to delete any new business after the closed session.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AUDIENCE

None

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: BOARD

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Minutes from the Budget Hearing July 24, 2017

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BILLS PAYABLE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

General Fund Total	\$ 2,611,022.45
School Lunch Fund	\$ 477.36
2012 Refunding Bonds	0
2013 SBL Refinance	0

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2013 Refunding Bonds	0
2016 Refunding Bonds	0
Sinking Funds	\$ 24,500.00
Subtotal	\$ 2,635,999.81
General Fund (transfer in for Payroll)	\$ 69,288.74
PESG	\$ 680.87
Coach EZ	\$ 0
Health Reimbursement Account	\$ 50,000.00
TOTAL FUNDS SPENT	\$ 2,755,969.42
Check #'s -36122-36213	
Void Checks - 36086	

Approval of check numbers covering these invoices range from check number 36122 to 36213 and voided checks as presented: Voided check(s): 36086
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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.

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kalmar discussed summer projects, teacher PD, freshman orientation, test scores, the ESG proposal and misc. items at each of the buildings.

Board of Education: Questions

None

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel

Approval of 3rd Party Coaches

Moved by O'Neil supported by Manko, the Board of Education staff the following positions with personnel provided by GECS.

Boys Varsity Tennis

Boys JV Tennis

Boys Varsity Soccer

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Approval of New Teachers

RECOMMENDATION #1

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve Julie Saintonge as 4th grade teacher at OP beginning with the 2017/2018 school year at Step 3 per AEA contract.

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RECOMMENDATION #2

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve Julie Dailey as high school teacher beginning with the 2017/2018 school year at Step 3 per the AEA contract.

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RECOMMENDATION #3

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve Janette Lohorn as 8th grade teacher beginning with the 2017/2018 school year at Step 2 per the AEA contract.

Discussion:

Ms. O'Neil stated that we should negotiate new teachers coming in at a Step 0. This would be more fiscally responsible. Bringing in new teachers to be mentored by our more seasoned teachers would also benefit the district.

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Approval of Interim Principal – High School

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve Bart Zachrich as interim High School Principal. Contract to be marked VIII B 3 and attached to the official minutes of this meeting

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Approval of Middle School Library Technical Assistant

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve Sharon Kuhn as the Middle School Library Technical Assistant.

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Policy

Approval of School of Choice Students

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Manko, the Board of Education accept the students on the attached list for the 2017/2018 school year through the 105 and 105C Schools of Choice Programs.

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Approval of Overnight Trip Resolution

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Manko, 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 2017/2018 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
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Approval of Evaluation Systems

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Manko, the Board of Education use the following evaluation systems as we move forward:

Danielson for Teachers
MASB for the Superintendent
School Advance for the Administrators

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COMMENTS: AUDIENCE

None

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board members discussed the recent meeting Mr. Jones attended at the township offices with DTE regarding the recent issues the district (and other local businesses have had) with outages, surges, and brownouts.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Closed Session for Negotiations

Moved by Miles, supported by Manko, the Board go into Closed Session for Negotiations as permissible under the opens meetings act at 7:49 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: Manko, Mitchell, Miles, O'Neil, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Owens

Nays: None

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No new business to be conducted after the closed session.

Open Session

Went to open session at 10:07 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Miles, supported by Manko, the August 28th, Regular Board Meeting **be adjourned at 10:08 p.m.**

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Approved _____
Date

Signed: _____
John Miles, Secretary

Signed: _____
Jonathan Owens, President