

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Almont Community Schools Board of Education**  
**May 20, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Bowman 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**

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

**Visitors: 59**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** All Present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda was approved as presented

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Dr. Kalmar – introduced the Salutatorian and Valedictorian for the class of 2019

Dr. Kalmar did a short presentation on the projected student count numbers and the impact on the district.

MEA presentation regarding AESPA transportation proposal

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AUDIENCE**

William Rohbear – asked about how long the transportation discussion had been going on, where are the minutes and agendas, where is the Dean proposal, how long would it take Dean to sign drivers up.

Gretchen Hough – Driver of 43 years asked the board to consider a counter offer from the union

Jamie Wade – wondered if we could come up with other cuts

Karen Klos – Driver – would like the board to look at the union proposal

**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 April 22, 2019 Regular Board Meeting

**P, 58, 7-0-0**

**BILLS PAYABLE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

**April 22, - May 20, 2019**

General Fund Total	\$	199,363.16
School Lunch Fund*	\$	38,763.12
2014 Sinking Fund	\$	-
Sub-total	\$	<u>238,126.28</u>

**ACH/Wire Transactions:**

Payroll	\$	736,761.59
EduStaff	\$	15,909.46
2012 Refunding Bonds	\$	1,007,336.82
2013 SBL Refinance	\$	1,270,031.91
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	520,674.95
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	141,575.00
Procure Fees Automatic payment	\$	149.08
Meal Magic Fees Automatic Payment	\$	5.00
<b>Total Funds Spent</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>3,692,443.81</u></b>

Check numbers 38466-38506

**Void checks**

**Multi-Stub Voids which have no value and no impact on accounts as presented:**

(All multi-stub voids) 35477

Approval of check numbers covering these invoices range from check number 38466 - 38506 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.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Superintendents Report**

Dr. Kalmar updated the Board on events at the OP, MS, PreSchool and HS. He also acknowledged Bob Jones for his energy saving award from DTE. Sarah Savage was named the 100.3 Jay Towers Teacher of the Week.

**Board of Education: Questions**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Finance**

**Approval of ISD Operating Budget**

The ISD General Fund Operating Budget for the 2019-2020 school year be

May 20, 2019

Supported

that the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to submit a copy of this Resolution to the Secretary of the ISD Board of Education, along with any specific objections or proposed changes to the budget.

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

Nays: None

Copy of resolution attached to Official Minutes and marked VIII B (1) and attached to official minutes

**P, 60, 7-0-0**

**Approval of Lunch and Breakfast Pricing**

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O’Neil, the Board of Education establish lunch and breakfast rates for the 2019/2020 school year as follows:

	2018/2019	2019/2020	CHANGE
<b><u>Primary Students</u></b>			
Breakfast	1.55	1.55	0
Lunch	2.80	2.90	.10
Milk	.50	.50	0
<b><u>Middle/High School Students</u></b>			
Breakfast	1.65	1.65	0
Lunch	2.90	3.00	.10
Milk	.50	.5	0
<b><u>Adults (all buildings)</u></b>			
Breakfast	2.10	*Tbd	
Lunch	3.75	Tbd	
Milk	.50	.50	0

\*the MDE has not released the Adult Meal calculator as of yet 5-20-2019

**Discussion:**

O’Neil – wanted to make note that if there are changes to the adult meals it will come to the Board.

**P, 61, 7-0-0**

**Approval of Dean Transportation Contract**

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O’Neil, the Board of Education enter into an agreement with Dean Transportation for 5 years to provide transportation for our students.

**Discussion:**

The Board discussed in depth the financial ramifications of the Dean vs. AESPA proposals. Marty Zemjko from the MEA brought a new offer from the drivers that would require the contract to be reopened. After much discussion Mr. Brzozowski rescinded his motion and O’Neil seconded it.

Moved by Sullivan supported by Mitchell the Board of Education table the motion regarding the Dean Transportation contract until Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at which time a Special Board Meeting will be held to consider the proposals.

Roll Call

Aye – Mitchell, Brzozowski, Miles, O’Neil, Sullivan, Bowman

Nay – None

Abstain – Walton (wife currently employed in transportation dept. -conflict of interest)

**P, 62, 6-0-1**

### **Approval of Chromebook Cases**

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O’Neil, the Board of Education purchase carry cases for the Chromebooks from Bump Armor at a price of \$11.99 each for 1000.

**P, 63, 7-0-0**

### **Personnel**

#### **Approval of New Hires**

Moved by O’Neil, supported by Sullivan the Board of Education approve Alexis Meeker, Paul Biolchine, Patrick Harry and Marc McFarlane as summer technology help.

**P, 64, 7-0-0**

Moved by O’Neil supported by Sullivan the Board of Education approve the attached list of people as instructors for the summer tennis program.

**P, 65, 7-0-0**

Moved by O’Neil, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education approve the following ACS coaches:

Erik Johnson – Girls Varsity Basketball

James Leusby – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball

**P, 66, 7-0-0**

Moved by O’Neil, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education approve the following third party coaching positions to be staffed by qualified individuals from GECS:

Varsity Cheer Coach

Middle School Cheer Coach

JV and Varsity Boys Tennis

Varsity Wrestling

Boys Var. Basketball

MS Football Head Coach

**Discussion:**

**O’Neil –Although if there is not enough work these coaches will not work or collect pay.**

**P, 67, 7-0-0**

#### **Approval of Resignations**

Moved by O’Neil, supported by the Board of Education accept the resignation of Linda Nagy, Julie Dailey, Lourdes Schultz, Cindy Jones, and Melanie Haley and wish them well in their future endeavors.

**P, 68, 7-0-0**

Moved by O’Neil, supported by Sullivan, Board of Education accept the resignation of Maureen Walton and wish her well in the future.

**P, 69, 6-0-1**

**Walton – abstain conflict of interest (wife)**

### **Policy**

### **Approval of Graduating Seniors**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education approve the list of seniors eligible to graduate this school year as attached.

**P, 70, 7-0-0**

### **Approval of Changes to Handbooks**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education approve:

The recommended changes to the High School Handbook

The recommended changes to the Orchard Primary Handbook

The recommended changes to the Middle School Handbook

**P, 71, 7-0-0**

### **Approval of MASB Membership**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education approve membership in the Michigan Association of School Boards for the 2019/2020 school year.

**P, 72, 7-0-0**

### **Approval of Policy Updates**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by O'Neil, the Board of Education approve revisions to the following policies and bylaws:

#### **Bylaws 0100 and 0167.2**

#### **Policies**

**1422.01**

**1430/3430/4430**

**2210**

**2414**

**3120**

**3120.04**

**5113.01**

**5113.02**

**5200**

**6321**

**6325**

**6605**

**8400**

**8402**

**8500**

**8640**

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### **First Read Neola Policy Update**

The District's operation and educational plan is reflected in its budgets. It is the Boards duty to ensure that adequate funds are reserved for the General Fund to maintain a secure financial position. We would like to change the following language in Policy 6220:

**The Board shall ensure that adequate funds are reserved for the General Fund to maintain a secure financial position whereby the fund equity shall not fall below seven percent (7%) of the preceding year's expenditures of unrestricted revenues for the fiscal year.**

This change in language will give us a truer picture of our fund balance percent. Using the current policy our percent of fund balance is effected by grant expenditures in a negative way. The new language will prevent this from happening.

**No Motion necessary – this is a first read. We will put up for approval in June.**

**Discussion:**

**Bowman - if any member needs this explained in more detail contact Mrs. Potter or in next month's meetings.**

**Acceptance of School of Choice Students**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education accept the students on the attached list for the 2019/2020 school year through the 105 and 105C Schools of Choice Programs.

**P, 74, 7-0-0**

**Designation of ISD Election Representatives**

Read attached Resolution beginning with first WHEREAS .....

Resolution will be attached to the official minutes and marked VIII (D) 7

**P, 75, 7-0-0**

**Approval of Trip**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education approve the Middle and High School Cheer Team Camp to Alma College on July 19<sup>th</sup> thru the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**P, 76, 7-0-0**

**COMMENTS: AUDIENCE**

Marty (MEA) – Thanked the Board for a chance to provide an alternative to the Dean proposal

Mike Bulger – question about hiring of summer tennis help.

William Rohbear – questions about PreSchool, thank you for consideration of transportation alternative, wondered about timing of agendas on website.

Amy Bowers – subs for district would like the Board to consider free child care for subs since other districts do it.

**Comments BOE**

Mitchell – enjoyed time at the ISD LEAF, YAK and Ed-Tech presentation.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**None**

**To Closed: 9:28 pm**

**CLOSED SESSION: NEGOTIATIONS**

Roll Call

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

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**Out of Closed: 10:14 pm**

**Adjourn 10:15 pm**

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
John Miles, Secretary

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul Bowman, President