

MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
Almont Community Schools Board of Education
June 24, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

President Bowman called the Regular Board Meeting of the Almont Community Schools Board of Education to order at 8:16 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, Dallas Walton, Michael Sullivan, John Brzozowski and Superintendent Dr. William Kalmar.

Visitors: 67

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda was approved

COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Kalmar made introductions of new staff:

Carlie Ions –Kindergarten Teacher

Hollie Keller – Resource Room at the High School

Jenni VanDerMaas –Resource Room at the Middle School

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AUDIENCE

Audience questions regarding the Budget that was discussed previous to this meeting.

Audience concern regarding a potential layoff of OP/MS counselor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes from the May 20, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- B. Approval of the Minutes from the May 20, 2019
Closed Session Negotiations
- C. Approval of the Minutes from the May 30, 2019 Special Board (Transportation) Meeting
- D. Approval of the Minutes from the June 17, 2019 Work session
- E. Approval of the Minutes from the June 17, 2019 Closed Session: Superintendent's Eval.

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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.

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May 21, - June 24, 2019

General Fund Total	\$	417,940.01
School Lunch Fund*	\$	153.51
2014 Sinking Fund	\$	2,000.00
Sub-total	\$	<u>420,093.52</u>

ACH/Wire Transactions:

Payroll	\$	779,130.40
EduStaff	\$	28,559.18
2012 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2013 SBL Refinance	\$	-
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
Procure Fees Automatic payment	\$	167.41
Meal Magic Fees Automatic Payment	\$	1.25
Total Funds Spent	\$	<u><u>1,227,951.76</u></u>

Check numbers 38507-38670

Void checks 38588-38594 (printer error)

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

(All multi-stub voids)

Approval of check numbers covering these invoices range from check number 38507-38670 and voided checks as presented: Voided check(s): 38588-38594

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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 reviewed the end of the year activities and accomplishments at the various buildings

Board of Education: Questions

Discussion regarding adoption of budget and personnel matters that are on the agenda. Procedural concerns about adopting a budget then not approving layoffs that are all part of the budget.

More budget discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE

Approval of the 2018-2019 General Fund Budget Amendment

Moved by Brzozowski supported by O'Neil the Board of Education adopt the revised General Fund Budget for the 2018-2019 school year, with Revenues totaling \$13,949,171, and Expenses totaling

\$13,511,938.00 with the difference to be added to the fund balance as presented, a copy of which to be marked VIII(B)(1) and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

P, 85, 7-0-0

Approval of the 2018-2019 School Service Budget Amendment

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O'Neil, the Board of Education adopt the revised 2018/2019 School Service Fund Budget as presented, a copy of which to be marked VIII(B)(2) and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

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Adoption of the 2019-2020 General Fund Budget

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O'Neil, the Board of Education adopt the 2018/2019 General Fund Budget as presented, a copy of which to be marked VIII(B)(3) and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

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Aye – Brzozowski, O'Neil, Walton, Miles, Sullivan, Bowman

Nay - Mitchell

Adoption of the 2019-2020 School Services Budget

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O'Neil, the Board of Education adopt the 2018/2019 School Service Fund Budget as presented, a copy of which to be marked VIII(B)4 and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting

P, 88, 7-0-0

Approval of State Aid Note

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O'Neil, Board of Education approve the State Aid Operating Notes Resolution, which approves the establishment of a State Aid note not to exceed the amount of One Million Six Hundred Thousand (\$1,600,00,000) Dollars, a copy of which to be marked VIII B (5) and attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

P, 89, 7-0-0

ROLL CALL VOTE

Order:

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

Nay - None

Approval of Copier Lease

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by O'Neil, the Board of Education agree to the monthly lease with Brady's Business Systems for 63 months as attached.

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Personnel

Approval of Support Staff Contracts

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment contract of Debbie Kosinski.

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Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment contract of Bob Jones.

Discussion:

Walton – feels we should post the position

Conversation regarding cost saving in having a dedicated Maintenance person.

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Nay -Walton

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment contracts of Colin Allen and Brandon Marklin.

P, 93, 7-0-0

Approval of Administrators Contracts

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment contracts of:

Kimberly VonHiltmayer

Jennifer Szlachta

Elizabeth Tomhave

Ross Gauthier

Jay Zieglowsky

as presented, with copies of the individual contracts to be marked VIII C (2) and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting. .

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Approval of New Hires

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

JV Volleyball Coach

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Moved by O'Neil supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve Rebekah Penzien as ACS PreSchool Aide beginning in the fall 2019.

P, 96, 7-0-0

Moved by O'Neil supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve Barbara Potter as Administrator of Finance beginning July 1, 2019

P, 97, 7-0-0

Moved by O'Neil supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve Carlie Ions as Kindergarten teacher beginning 2019/2020. BA Step 1.

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Moved by O'Neil supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve Hollie Keller as Resource Room teacher beginning 2019/2020. MA Step 1.

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Moved by O'Neil supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve Jennifer VanDerMaas as Resource Room teacher beginning 2019/2020. MA Step 6.

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Approval of Resignations

Moved by O'Neil supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education accept the resignation of Gail Brinker, Gretchen Hough, Marti Cantrall and Jo Tessmer and wish them well in their retirement.

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Moved by O'Neil supported by Brzozowski the Board of Education accept the resignations from all positions at ACS of Jodi Mulligan, Karen Klos and Lisa Greenman and wish them well.

P, 102, 7-0-0

Approval of Layoffs

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education layoff the individuals on the attached sheet as bus drivers beginning with the 2019/2020 school year.

P, 103, 7-0-0

Moved by Brzozowski supported by _____ the Board of Education layoff the Media Center Specialist at Orchard Primary.

Motion Died

Discussion:

Miles – was this layoff included in the approved budget?

Bowman – yes and we can relook at the layoffs in July when we possibly have better numbers

Moved by Miles supported by Brzozowski the Board of Education layoff the Media Center Specialist at Orchard Primary.

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Nay – O'Neil

Teacher Layoff(s)

French Teacher

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by Miles –

Read "Resolution for Notice of Layoff" – begin with "Whereas".....

Resolution to be attached to official minutes and marked VIII C (6)

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes:

Mitchell, Walton, Miles, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Bowman

Nays:

O'Neil

Discussion:

Originally one motion for two layoffs. Mitchell asked that they become separate motions. First one French, Second one for Counselor.

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Counselor

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by Miles –

Read “Resolution for Notice of Layoff” – begin with “Whereas”

Resolution to be attached to official minutes and marked VIII C (6)

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes:

Sullivan, Brzozowski, Miles, Walton, Bowman

Nays:

O’Neil, Mitchell

Discussion:

O’Neil – we will come back in July to relook at these layoffs

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POLICY

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, 107, 7-0-0

Approval of MHSAA Membership

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education adopt the Michigan High School Athletic Association membership resolution for the 2019/2020 school year.

Roll Call

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

Nays - None

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Approval of Neola Policy

Moved by Mitchell supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education change the language in policy 6220 to read as follows:

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 unrestricted revenues for the fiscal year.

Discussion:

Miles – did we use this for new budget?

Kalmar – Yes

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Approval of PAC Recommendation

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, Board of Education approve Anne Wilson as a representative to the Parent Advisory Committee for a 3 year term.

P, 110, 7-0-0

Approval of Ice Hockey Co-op Agreement

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Sullivan, the Board of Education resolve to join Lapeer, North Branch and Lakeville to fund, support and maintain a cooperative team in the following sport:

Ice Hockey Boys and Girls

Discussion:

Mitchell – Change in Fees?

Gauthier - No

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Expulsion

Moved by Mitchell supported by Sullivan, the Board of education *expel* Student 18292 from the Almont Community Schools for violating Offense MJ19 in the 2018/2019 Almont High School Handbook. Student 18292 will be expelled for 180 days.

Roll Call

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

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Comments Audience

L. Stroh – Thank the Board for saying they will relook at the counselor position in July. Asked how much interest we pay on our borrowing.

B. Potter – probably around \$25,000 but could get him a more exact number.

Bowman – goal is to have more money in the bank so maybe someday we do not have to borrow.

K.Klos – said that she is retiring from ACS not resigning

More audience discussion on the positives of having a counselor at the OP/MS

More fund balance discussion and questions

More questions about how the cuts are brought to the Board

Comments BOE

Miles – Thanked the audience for their passion and comments

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Closed Session

Moved by Miles supported by O’Neil, the Board go into closed session as permissible under the Open Meeting Act for the purpose of the Superintendent’s evaluation and contract at 10:12 pm.

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

Nay – None

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Into Open Session at 8:54 pm.

Approval of Superintendent’s Evaluation

Moved by Mitchell supported by Sullivan the Board of Education adopt the completed year-end evaluation for Dr. Kalmar for 2018-2019.

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Approval of Superintendent's Contract

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment contract of:

William Kalmar

as presented, with copy of the individual contract to be marked XIII B and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Miles, supported by Mitchell to adjourn the June 24th Regular meeting at 11:47 pm.

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Approved _____
Date

Signed: _____
John Miles, Secretary

Signed: _____
Paul Bowman, President