

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Almont Community Schools Board of Education**  
**June 22, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Bowman called the Regular Board Meeting of the Almont Community Schools Board of Education to order at 7:16 p.m. via Zoom.

**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: All Present**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda was approved as presented

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AUDIENCE**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes from the May 18, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
  - B. Approval of the Minutes from the June 15, 2020 Special Meeting
- Roll Call –Aye - Brzozowski, Miles, O'Neil, Mitchell, Walton, Sullivan, Bowman  
Nay - None

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**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.

**May-19,2020-June 22, 2020**

General Fund Total	\$	296,425.50
School Lunch Fund*	\$	36,213.12
2014 Sinking Fund	\$	246,382.00
2012 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2013 SBL Refinance	\$	-
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
Sub-total	\$	<u>579,020.62</u>

ACH/Wire Transactions:

Payroll	\$	869,273.61
EduStaff	\$	2,763.26
Health Equity H.S.A. Payments	\$	4,864.46
2012 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2013 SBL Refinance	\$	-
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
QZAB Energy	\$	-
Procure Fees Automatic payment	\$	10.44
Meal Magic Fees Automatic Payment	\$	-
Total Funds Spent	\$	<u><u>1,455,932.39</u></u>

Check numbers 39711-39791

Void checks n/a

Approval of check numbers covering these invoices range from check number 39711-39791 and voided checks as presented: Voided check(s): None

Roll Call – Aye – Miles, O’Neil, Mitchell, Walton, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Bowman Nay - 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 talked about recent training the teachers did to be ready for the fall and he thanked Vinckiers and GECS for recent donations.

He also thanked the AEA for the concessions that they have made to help with the budget shortfall

**Board of Education: Questions**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **FINANCE**

#### **Approval of the 2019-2020 General Fund Budget Amendment**

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education adopt the revised General Fund Budget for the 2019/2020 school year, with Revenues totaling \$14,478,633.00, and Expenses totaling \$14,172,768.00 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.

Roll Call – Aye – O’Neil, Mitchell, Walton, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Miles, Bowman   Nay - None

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#### **Approval of the 2019-2020 School Service Budget Amendment**

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski. the Board of Education adopt the revised 2019/2020 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

Roll Call – Aye – Walton, Mitchell, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Miles, O’Neil, Bowman   Nay - None

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#### **Adoption of the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget**

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education adopt the 2020/2021 General Fund Budget (Revenues \$13,506,551.00, Expenditures \$14,389,925.00) as presented, a copy of which to be marked VIII(B)(3) and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

Roll Call- Aye- Walton, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Miles, O’Neil, Mitchell, Bowman   Nay- None

Discussion – Brzozowski- never in 14 years have they drew this much money from the FB to support the district.

Mitchell- earlier discussion was not lack of trust just wanted to speak mind regarding MS sports

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#### **Adoption of the 2020-2021 School Services Budget**

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education adopt the 2020/2021 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.

Roll Call – Aye – Brzozowski, Miles, Sullivan, Mitchell, O’Neil, Walton, Bowman   Nay - None

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#### **Approval of State Aid Note**

Moved by Sullivan, supported by Brzozowski, 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 Two Million (\$2,000,000.00) Dollars, a copy of which to be marked VIII B (5) and attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

Roll Call- Aye – Miles, Sullivan, Mitchell, O’Neil, Walton, Brzozowski, Bowman   Nay - None

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#### **Approval of Food Service Provider**

Moved by Sullivan supported by Brzozowski, Board of Education approve Chartwells as our food service provider for 2020-2021.

Roll Call – Ayes – Sullivan, Mitchell, O’Neil, Walton, Brzozowski, Miles, Bowman   Nays - None

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## **Personnel**

### **Approval of Non Represented Employees**

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment contracts of the individuals on the attached sheet as presented.

Roll Call –Ayes – Mitchell, O'Neil, Walton, Brzozowski, Miles, Sullivan, Bowman Nays- None

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Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment contract of Dr. Kalmar, Superintendent.

Roll Call – Ayes – O'Neil, Walton, Brzozowski, Miles, Sullivan, Mitchell, Bowman Nays – None

**Discussion** – Mitchell -explain historically how many years a Superintendent usually gets on their contract. Bowman – usually 3, we went 5 with a past Superintendent but that is highly unusual.

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### **Approval of Layoffs Non-Teacher**

Moved O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education layoff media center aides at the OP and Middle schools, latchkey managers and aides, and paraeducators.

Roll Call – Ayes –Walton, Brzozowski, Miles, Sullivan, Mitchell, O'Neil, Bowman Nays - None

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### **Approval of Teacher Layoff(s)**

The individual(s) on the attached list were given notice during the past week that a layoff was a distinct possibility. At this time, I would recommend laying off said individual(s) in order to balance our class sizes and to stay within the means of our 2020/2021 budget

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

Resolution to be attached to official minutes and marked VIII C (3)

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Order:

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

Nays - None

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### **Approval of Resignations**

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education accept the retirements of Mary Gerlach, Jennifer Szlachta and Karen Howden and wish them well in the future.

Roll Call – Ayes – Brzozowski, Sullivan, O'Neil, Miles, Mitchell, Walton, Bowman Nays - None

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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:

Varsity Tennis Coach

Cross Country Coach

Roll Call – Ayes, Miles, Mitchell, Walton, Brzozowski, Sullivan, O'Neil, Bowman

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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 2020/2021 school year through the 105 and 105C Schools of Choice Programs.

Roll Call – Aye- Sullivan, O’Neil, Brzozowski, Walton, Miles, Mitchell, Bowman Nay - None

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**MHSAA Membership Approval**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education adopt the Michigan High School Athletic Association membership resolution for the 2020/2021 school year.

Roll Call – Ayes – Mitchell, Sullivan, Brzozowski, Miles, O’Neil, Walton, Bowman Nay - None

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**MASB Membership Approval**

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve membership in the Michigan Association of School Boards for the 2020/2021 school year.

Roll Call – Ayes – Sullivan, Brzozowski, Miles, O’Neil, Walton, Mitchell, Bowman Nay - None

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**Comments Audience**

**R. Szymanski** – asked if MS sports were cut. Dr. Kalmar – yes will be setting timelines this week and budget will be amended once have more info from State.

**K. Vonhiltmayer** – Shout out to retiring OP Principal J. Szlatcha

**D. Walker** – Thanked BOE for hard work on Budget and encouraged them to reach out to local businesses

**Comments BOE**

**Miles** – Gave info regarding BOE seats

**Mitchell** – asked about OP Principal candidates, and if kids would be wearing masks in fall. Dr. Kalmar said had lots of great candidates, and recommendations from the State will be coming. Once we get them we will have discussions.

**Sullivan** – will ISD be filtering the State recommendations to us? Dr. Kalmar – ISD will have their own challenges as well with EdTech.

**Bowman** – can we legally meet in person as a Board and have audience ‘zoom’ in? Dr. Kalmar said not at this time.

**Walton** – asked about COVID Waiver that was sent out. Dr. Kalmar stated that was developed by our lawyers

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**None**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Miles, supported by O’Neil to adjourn the June 22th Regular meeting at 8:15 pm.

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

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

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

June 22, 2020