

MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
Almont Community Schools Board of Education

October 22, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

President Hoffa called the Regular Board Meeting of the Almont Community Schools Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Almont Elementary School.

Present

Steven Hoffa, John Miles, Nancy Boxey, John Brzozowski, Dallas Walton, Scott Kmetz, Stephan Manko and Superintendent Joseph Candela.

Visitors: 24

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

Motion by Boxey, supported by Walton, the Board of Education approve the following Minutes:

September 24, 2012 Regular Board Meeting

September 24, 2012 Closed Session

October 15, 2012 Special Meeting

October 16, 2012 Special Meeting

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BILLS PAYABLE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

Approval of check numbers covering these invoices range from check number 29634 to 29793, voided checks as presented. Voided checks: NONE

General Fund Total	\$ 827,362.44	
2002 Debt Fund	\$ -	
2002 Bldg. & Site Fund	\$ -	
2004 Refunding Bonds	\$ -	
2006 Refunding Bonds	\$ -	
2012 Refunding Bonds		
QZAB bond	\$ 224,563.29	
School Lunch Checks	\$ 44,888.23	
General Fund transfers in for payroll	\$ 4,094.76	
	\$ 300,000.00	
General Fund Total	\$ 1,400,908.72	

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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

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Orchard Primary

Meap Testing is complete for 3rd and 4th grade. When we receive the results we will have an idea where we compare with other schools.

Orchard Primary has been designated a "Beating the Odds School" and as such will be recognized as such by the State Board of Education.

Mrs. McWilliams was 'out looking for learning' recently and visited 11 classrooms. In each classroom students were actively engaged and learning in either whole groups or working with the teacher in small learning groups. Thank you Almont Fire Department for visiting our students during fire prevention week.

Middle School

Meap testing went extremely well. Thank you Tracy Bacholzky for organizing everything to ensure a smooth test week for all students.

Thank you Mrs. Purvis, Mrs. Bishop, and Mr. Andrades for attending the Zeeland school iPad Tour. They came back with great ideas.

MiBLSi- AIMS web tests have been administered and teachers are working on their data boards.

Students continue to acknowledge the ROCK motto and receive ROCK cards for good behavior.

District Accreditation – Surveys have been created on Survey Monkey. The next Leadership Committee will meet on November 29th from 5:30-7:30.

The PTSA is off to a great start. Thank you to the members who have been busy fundraising. Upcoming Events include Oct 17 Progress Reports, Oct 24th PLC day, Oct 25th 5th grade Halloween Dance, October 26th Halloween Walk, Oct 30th Little Caesars Pizza, Nov 7 and 8 Conferences, Nov 9th no school, November 14th PLC #3.

High School

Homecoming was a great success.

Teacher Evaluations are well under way.

BWAC extravaganza was attended by the Raider Marching Band in Port Huron.

Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards night was hosted on 10/9 with 54 attendees.

The Courtyard is being revamped by a local Eagle Scout and things are coming along.

The Varsity Tennis Team won their 24th regional championship since 1977 advancing to the championship in all 8 flights. Congratulations to Mr. Immekus for being named Coach of the Year by the Boys' Tennis Coaches Association.

The Marching Band competed in the MSBOA festival in Goodrich and marched away with a Division 1 Rating.

Meap was administered on 10/17.

Upcoming events were discussed.

Miscellaneous

ACS will have two items on the November election:

School Board election

18 mill renewal

SET/SEG surplus – because we are part of an insurance pool we receive a financial benefit when the pool has a surplus. This year we received \$10,922.

3rd Annual football Camp Dream Team. Thanks to Raul Matamoros who put together this annual event to benefit the Special Education Department and it's students.

CURRICULUM

Forensics Science Course Approval

Moved by Boxey, supported by Miles, the Board of Education approve the following course to be offered as a High School Science Elective for students during the 2012/2013 school year.

- Forensics Science

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Approval of Reproductive Health and Sex Education

Moved by Boxey, supported by Miles, the Board of Education approve the Reproductive Health and Sex Education curriculum developed by the Almont Community Reproductive Health and Sex Education Advisory Committee to meet the MDE sex education requirements.

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PERSONNEL

Employment of Bus Driver

Moved by Boxey, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education employ Ann Failer as a bus driver beginning October 23, 2012.

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Approval of Winter ACS Coaches

Moved by Boxey, supported by Brzozowski, the Board of Education approve the employment of the following coaches for the Winter 2012/2013 sport season:

- Erik Johnson – Girls Varsity Basketball
- Sue Fredricksen– Middle School Volleyball

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Approval of Winter 3rd Party Coaches

Moved by Boxey, supported by Walton, the Board of Education staff the following positions with personnel provided by Professional Contract Management Incorporated:

- Varsity Boys Basketball
- JV Boys Basketball
- Freshman Boys Basketball
- 8th Grade Boys Basketball
- 7th Grade Boys Basketball
- Varsity Wrestling
- JV/Assistant Wrestling
- JV Girls Basketball
- Varsity Cheerleading
- JV Cheerleading
- Middle School Cheerleading
- 7th Grade Volleyball

BUSINESS

Mr. Candela reviewed the 2012/2013 school year insurance program.

Approval of Snow Removal Contract

Moved by Kmetz, supported by Manko, the Board of Education accept the renewal letter from Scott's Lawn Maintenance for snow plowing and salting services from November 19, 2012, through April 1, 2014, as presented, a copy of said pricing sheet to be marked VIII D(2) and attached to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

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COMMENTS: AUDIENCE

None

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: BOARD OF EDUCATION

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm

Approved _____
Date

Signed: _____
Nancy Boxey, Secretary

Signed: _____
Steve Hoffa, President