

MINUTES
Special Board Meeting
Almont Community Schools Board of Education

December 10, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

President Hoffa called the Special Board Meeting of the Almont Community Schools Board of Education to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of Almont Central Office.

Present

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

Visitors: Karen Knight, Kim VonHiltmayer, Rob Watt, Penny McWilliams

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Scott Kmetz was absent

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda was approved as presented

COMMUNICATIONS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Work Session

No action was taken. Various informational items were discussed:

- A. Finance
Budget questions and random review of checks
- B. Curriculum
The Principals addressed any questions the Board had regarding their respective buildings. Mr. Watt reviewed the Connections Course Proposal that was tabled last month.
- C. Personnel
Resignation of a Middle School paraeducator was discussed.
- D. Policy
Policy-First Readings

a. Policy 2623- Student Assessment- Revised

In this revised policy the district shall monitor student academic growth in each subject area at least twice during the school year using a competency based online assessments. The results of the assessments shared with students and parents.

b. Policy 2370.01 -Virtual Learning-New

The district shall provide eligible students the option of participating in on-line or blended learning courses. This would take place in an interactive learning environment created through technology. This in an optional policy- My recommendation would be for grades 5-12.

c. Policy 5460- Graduation Requirements-Revised

Under this policy students shall successfully complete an on-line course or learning experience OR shall have the on-line learning experience in each of the classes for required credit as part of MME. This would address Best practice Incentive.

**d. 2280 Physical Education-New
2417- Comprehensive Health Education-New**

2280- This policy is consistent with the 2003 State Board policy on quality physical education. This policy also meets the Best practice Incentive- Should be adopted.

2417- This policy is consistent with the 2004 State Board policy on providing comprehensive health education. This policy also meets the Best Practice Incentive-Should be adopted.

e. Policy 1422/3122/4122 – Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (Revised)

Neola is recommending the language about adding nondiscrimination language in collective bargaining agreements be deleted.

f. Policy 7530.02 - Staff Use of Personal Communication Devices (Revised)

Neola added language that wages would be held at the end of an employee's employment until all district records have been removed from the PCD.

E. Business

Release of Students to Capac. These students have never attended Almont, just recently moved here.

Discussed approval of annual Varsity Cross Country trip that takes place in July.

F. Building and Grounds

Update on Transportation and Maintenance

G. Other

Schedule B Clubs

Special Board Meeting Date 12/13/2012 (Student Matter)

Thoughts on opening up the Neola web site to the public on the new ACS web site.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS : AUDIENCE

None

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None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Approved _____
Date

Signed: _____
Nancy Boxey, Secretary

Signed: _____
Steven Hoffa, President