

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Almont Community Schools Board of Education**  
**May 22, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Edwards 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 and via Zoom

**Present**

Angela Edwards, Susan Frederiksen, James Wade, Janaea Smith, Tim St. Onge, Dallas Walton, and Rick Battani

**Absent** - Dr. Kalmar

**Visitors: 28**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** All Present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Additions:

Personnel include Medical Leave Approval, Appointment of Interim Superintendent, and Administrative Leave Approval.

Addition:

Communications for Student Council Report

Deletion of Superintendent's Report

**COMMUNICATIONS**

MB – updated the BOE on Student Council activities, end of year festivities

Mrs. Edwards introduced the Val and Sal for the class of 2023

Mr. Wetzel and some band students updated on their Spring Break trip to Nashville.

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: Audience**

Dan Walker thanked the Board for being appointed Bond Manager

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Wade, supported by Battani, the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting April 24, 2023
- B. Approval of the Minutes from the Special Meeting May 8, 2023
- C. Approval of the Minutes from the Work Session May 16, 2023
- D. Approval of the Minutes from the Closed Session May 16, 2023
- E. Approval of the Minutes from the Special Meeting May 16, 2023

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**BILLS PAYABLE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

**04/13/2023 to 05/11/2023**

General Fund Total	\$	307,412.53
School Lunch Fund*	\$	50,766.61
Student Activity Fund	\$	24,914.05
2014 Sinking Fund	\$	2,453.42
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	222.41
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	491.15
2021 Series A Refunding Bonds	\$	750.64
2021 Series B Refunding Bonds	\$	101.93
Sub-total	\$	<u>387,112.74</u>

ACH/Wire Transactions:		
Payroll 4/30 & 5/15	\$	807,595.25
EduStaff	\$	8,379.99
Health Equity H.S.A.	\$	26,493.39
Credit Card (BMO)	\$	12,931.53
Health Insurance	\$	99,921.69
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	469,800.00
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	1,021,400.00
2021 Series A Refunding Bonds	\$	1,707,783.50
2021 Series B Refunding Bonds	\$	106,450.00
QZAB Energy	\$	106,735.00
ProCare Fees	\$	83.91
Meal Magic Fees	\$	8.75
Total Funds Spent	\$	<u><u>4,754,695.75</u></u>

Check numbers **43122- 43239**

Void checks 42778

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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.

**Finance**

**Approval of State Aide Note**

Moved by Wade supported by Smith 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 Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,300,000.00) a copy of which to be marked VIII B (1) and attached to the official Minutes of this meeting.

**Roll Call**

Ayes – SaintOnge, Walton, Wade, Frederiksen, Battani, Smith, Edwards

Nays - None

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**Approval of Annual Chartwell Contract**

Moved by Wade supported by Smith, Board of Education approve Chartwells as our food service provider for the 2023-2024 school year.

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**Approval of HVAC Contract renewal with Limbach, LLC.**

Moved by Wade, supported by Smith, the Board of Education approve the maintenance contract with Limbach, LLC.

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**Approval of Athletic Pricing**

Moved by Wade, supported by Smith, the Board of Education establish the following rate schedule for Athletics during the 2023/2024 school year.

**Ticket Prices:**

Varsity Game:	\$5
JV or Freshman Game:	\$4
Middle School Game:	\$3
Almont Student Grades 4-12	
Student with ID:	\$0
Students without ID:	\$5
Tournaments:	\$5

**Pay to Participate:**

High School one-time fee of \$125.00

Middle School one-time fee of \$100.00

(free lunch = free PTP, reduced lunch= ½ off PTP)

See attached proposal from Ross Gauthier, Athletic Director

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**Approval of Preschool Tuition Rate**

Moved by Wade, supported by Smith, the Board of Education established the preschool tuition rate for the 2023/2024 school year at \$810.00 per fifteen (15) week semester or \$1620.00 per year and a \$25.00 registration fee per child.

Discussion-

Board is interested in break-even points and current number of children enrolled

Moved by Smith, supported by Walton, the Board of Education table the above motion, regarding PreSchool, to the June meeting.

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## **Personnel**

### **Approval of New Hires**

Moved by Walton supported by Battani the Board of Education approve new hires as listed above.

Discussion- Ms. Frederiksen contacted Mr. Gauthier and was told there were more than enough Tennis players to warrant the hiring of a JV Coach.

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### **Approval of Resignations**

Moved by Walton, supported by Frederiksen, the Board of Education accept the resignation/retirement of Terrie Graat, Shelly Baker, Carol Daignault, and Heather Hall and wish them well.

Discussion – Ms. Smith thanks Mrs. Graat for her many years of service to the schools

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### **Approval of Medical Leave**

Moved by Walton, supported by Frederiksen, the Board of Education approve medical leave for Dr. Kalmer, effective May 17, 2023.

**P, 102, 7-0-0**

### **Approval of Administrative Leave**

Moved by Walton, supported by Frederiksen, the Board of Education places Dr. Kalmar on administrative leave from the date medical clearance to return is provided, until June 10, 2023.

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### **Appointment of Interim Superintendent**

Moved by Walton, supported by Frederiksen, the Board of Education appoint Kimberly VonHiltmayer as Interim Superintendent with details of length and salary to be determined in her contract, to be completed no later than July 1, 2023.

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## **Policy**

### **Approval of Graduating Seniors**

Moved by Battani, supported by Walton, the Board of Education approve the attached list of seniors eligible to graduate this school year.

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### **Approval of the ISD Annual Budget**

Moved by Battani, supported by Smith

Resolution attached and marked VIII D(2)

Roll call vote-

Aye-Walton, Wade, Smith, SaintOnge, Battani, Frederiksen, Edwards

Nay- None

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### **Approval of Representative to the ISD Biennial Election**

Moved by Battani, supported by Smith

Resolution attached and marked VIII D(3)

Roll call vote-

Aye-Smith, Frederiksen, Battani, Walton, St. Onge, Wade, Edwards

Nay- None

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### **Approval of Overnight Trips**

Moved by Battani, supported by Walton, the Board of Education approve the Volleyball Program trip to Ferris State University July 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the Cheer Program trip to attend the MaxAthletics Cheer Skills Camp in Houghton Lake on June 20-21st, 2023.

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### **COMMENTS: AUDIENCE**

Paul Bowman inquired about the cost of canceling the Barton Malow contract? Mrs. Edwards responded that it was \$40,000

Mr. Bice made comments about School of Choice and discipline at AMS. He also had a question about bussing. Mrs. Edwards stated that bussing would be discussed during the budget process.

### **Comments BOE**

Mr. Walton asked who was able to attend the LINKS luncheon. Mrs. Edwards – attended and said it was an amazing experience and Mrs. Wedemeyer does an incredible job with the program.

Mr. St. Onge thanks Mrs. VonHiltmayer for willingness to step up, Mrs. Edwards seconded this.

Mr. Battani congratulated Mr. Wade and the track teams on their accomplishments. Mr. Battani also attended the Senior awards night and congratulated all the seniors that were honored.

Mrs. Smith thanks Mrs. Moyer for the dinner provided and enjoyed going through the ‘lunch’ experience.

Mrs. Frederiksen thanks Mr. Shafik for his documentation and hard work on the budget.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

School of Choice

Preschool

Come up with process to narrow down potential construction managers

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Walton, supported by Frederiksen, the Board adjourn at 8:06 pm.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dallas Walton, Secretary

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Angela Edwards, President