

MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
Almont Community Schools Board of Education
November 20, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

President Owens 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

Present

Jill O'Neil, John Miles, Jonathan Owens, John Brzozowski, Stephan Manko, Jennifer Mitchell, Mike Sullivan and Superintendent Dr. William Kalmar

Visitors: 4

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: All Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda was approved as presented

COMMUNICATIONS

Student Council

Half of the student council just got back from a leadership trip that went well

They are currently working on Christmas activities and Snow Coming planning

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AUDIENCE

None

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: BOARD

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes Regular Meeting October 23, 2017
- B. Approval of the Minutes Closed Session October 23, 2017

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BILLS PAYABLE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

General Fund Total	\$	816,102.63
School Lunch Fund	\$	41,336.41
2012 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2013 SBL Refinance	\$	-
2013 Refunding Bonds	\$	-
2016 Refunding Bonds	\$	-

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2014 Sinking Fund	\$ 1,450.00
QZAB Bond	\$ -
Subtotal	\$ 858,889.04
General Fund (transfer in for Payroll)	
PESG	\$ 19,407.13
Coach EZ	\$ -
Participant Benefit Claims	\$ -
TOTAL FUNDS SPENT	\$ 878,296.17
Check Numbers: 36402-36547	
Voided Checks 36302	

Approval of check numbers covering these invoices range from check number 36402-36547 and voided checks as presented: Voided check(s): 36302
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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 discussed the following:

Vet’s esteem dinner, Rachel’s Challenge, Crisis Plan, Wellness Committee, Strategic Planning Sessions, and Building updates:

OP – Fall Festival was a success, conferences 95% attendance rate

HS – Conferences 54% attendance rate, leadership retreat, Rachel’s challenge

MS – Conferences 72% attendance rate, Thank you to L&L for the Grant, Thank you LCCF for the grant for graphic novels.

Discussion regarding approval of books for classes.

Personnel

Approval of Contracts

Moved by O’Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve the employment contracts of the following individuals as presented.

Central Office Staff

Debbie Kosinski – Central Office Secretary

Kim Medley – Payroll Clerk

Gail Brinker – Business Manager

Discussion: Mrs. Mitchell asked about CO reorganization

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Approval of Coaches

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

James Leusby – 8th Grade Boys Basketball
Beau Beneson – Varsity Girls Basketball
Erik Johnson – JV Girls Basketball

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve the following positions be filled by our third party vendors GECS:

Varsity Boys Basketball
JV Boys Basketball
Freshman Boys Basketball
7th Grade Boys Basketball
Varsity and Middle School Wrestling
Varsity Competitive Cheer
MS Competitive Cheer
8th Grade Volleyball

Discussion: Mrs. Mitchell asked what sports do we have that are not funded?

Dr. Kalmar will look into this so that he is 100% sure.

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Approval of New Hires

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education employ Brittany Hale as a paraprofessional lunch aide starting immediately.

Moved by O'Neil, supported by Manko, the Board of Education employ Jessica Smith as a latchkey aide immediately. Contract to be marked VIII (B) 3.

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Policy

First Read of Fall Neola Updates – No Motion

Policies will be on December Agenda for Approval

Policy 1421/3121/4121- Criminal History Record Check (New/Revised)

Policy 1421 has been added as new and includes revisions made to Policy 3121/4121. These policies have been revised to be consistent with Policy 8321- Criminal Justice Information Security (Non-Criminal Justice Agency).

Policy 1439/3139/4139 – Administrator/Staff Discipline (New/Revised)

Policy 1439 has been added as new and includes revisions similar to those made to Policy 3139/4139. A provision has been added to authorize a financial penalty as may be required by MCL 388.1766 (referring or assisting a student for an abortion).

Policy 2410 – Prohibition of Referral or Assistance (New)

This new policy is issued in accordance with MCL 388.1766 which prohibits any officer, agent, or employee of the Board from referring a pupil for an abortion or assisting a pupil in obtaining an abortion.

Policy 2414 - Reproductive Health and Family Planning (Revised)

This policy has been revised to include the abortion prohibition cited in Michigan statute and to focus on the specific requirements for the reproductive health and family planning instruction that is required.

Policy 2418 – Sex Education (New)

This new policy provides the necessary authorization and structure if the district chooses to provide sex education instruction. Teacher qualifications and the elective status of such a class/program are addressed. The required sex education advisory board is included, along with the abortion prohibition.

Policy 5630.01 – Student Seclusion and Restraint (Replacement)

This policy was issued as a replacement policy in a Special Release in May 2017. It reflects the current state of the law and the model policy adopted by the State Board of Education on March 14, 2017 and should be adopted to maintain accurate policies.

Policy 8142 – Criminal History Record Check (Revised)

This policy has been revised to be consistent with Policy 8321- Criminal Justice Information Security (Non-Criminal Justice Agency), which requires criminal history record information (CHRI) to be maintained in a confidential file, separate from the vendor or private contractor file.

Policy 8321 – Criminal Justice Information Security (Non-Criminal Justice Agency) (Revised)

This policy has been revised to include the latest revisions to information security required of criminal history record information (CHRI) required by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Michigan State Police (MSP).

Also included are updates in 4 of the Technology Policies. These are clarification of terms and added language in regard to social media.

Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety (Revised)

Policy 7540.04 - Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety (Revised)

Policy 7540.05 - District-Issued Staff E-Mail Account (Revised)

Policy 7540.06 – District-Issued Student E-Mail Account (New)

Approval of Guideline

Moved by Mitchell, supported by Manko the Board of Education approve guideline 8500D as presented and attached.

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Business

Resolution to Support a School Finance Research Collaborative

Moved by Brzozowski, supported by Manko, the Board of Education approve the attached resolution in support of a School Finance Research Collaborative. This resolution will be marked VIII (D) 1 and attached to the official minutes of this meeting.

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COMMENTS: AUDIENCE

None

Comments: BOE

Mrs. O'Neil asked if the Board could look at how we define a club program vs. a sport. Dr. Kalmar agreed this would be a good idea and it could be discussed in the next committee. He will invite our AD to the meeting to help with the discussion.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ESG field trip if any Board member is interested Dr. Kalmar will be sending information.

Closed Session: Negotiations 7:40 p.m.

Moved by Miles, supported by Manko, the BOE go into Closed Session for the purposes of Negotiations as permissible under the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: O'Neil, Manko, Brzozowski, Miles, Sullivan, Mitchell, Owens

Nays: None

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Open Session: 9:17 pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm

Approved _____
Date

Signed: _____
John Miles, Secretary

Signed: _____
Jonathan Owens, President