

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2016
GEORGE J. PLAVA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Michael Dunham, Vice-president Tom DeGusipe, Secretary Edward Colebank, Treasurer Ken Plisko, Paul Dunham, David Howard, Betty Moser, Doug Sholtis entered at 6:07 p.m., Janet Swaney

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Acting Superintendent Carl Bezjak, Assistant Superintendent Beth Hutson, Controller Denise Sheetz and Attorney Lee Price

President M Dunham called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by a Moment of Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance after which all present responded to roll call.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 from 6:45 p.m. to 8:35 p.m. for personnel, student confidentiality and tax appeal.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to adopt the agenda to include Item IV J – Intermediate Unit 1 Health Consortium Resolution.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Swaney second by DeGusipe to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 27, 2016 as presented.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

TREASURER’S REPORT

A motion was made by Plisko second by Swaney to accept the treasurer’s report including tax collections for January 2016 and preliminary financial statements as presented.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for February 2016:

1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$1,385,395.96
2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$418,284.97

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Colebank second by DeGusipe to approve payment of bills through activity accounts as presented by building principals.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

Doug Sholtis enters meeting at 6:07 p.m.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to pay Hewlett Packard Enterprise \$11,066.15 for Prosoft Server through capital projects.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SPRINGS SPORT BIDS

A motion was made by Sholtis second by Swaney to award the following spring sport bids (lowest responsible bids):

1. Century Sports - \$8,633.06
2. Masontown Trophy - \$1,788.35
3. Riddell \$164.64

Total Bids - \$10,586.05

IU 1 GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2016-17

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to approve the Intermediate Unit 1 2016-17 General Operational Budget in the amount of \$549,552.00 with AG's share being \$24,756.64 (no increase)

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CRIME INSURANCE

A motion was made by Howard second by Plisko to renew crime insurance policy at a cost of \$1,198.00 through Caputo Ins. Agency, Inc.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

TAX ASSESSMENT

A motion was made by Sholtis second by Colebank to approve along with German Township and Fayette County the Stipulation and Order of Settlement of the tax assessment appeals for contiguous Tax Parcel Nos. 15-30-0076-01, 15-30-0076-02, 15-30-0076-03 and 21-01-0005, at a total combined assessment of \$16,474,510.00 per year for years 2011 through 2016.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

D FERD SWANEY CLOSURE

A motion was made by Plisko second by Howard to adopt the Resolution to permanently close D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School effective with the commencement of the 2016-2017 school term.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

HEALTH CONSORTIUM

A motion was made by DeGusipe second by Colebank adopt Resolution to execute a security agreement with the Intermediate Unit 1, Health Insurance Consortium Trust as presented. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None

RETIREMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

A motion was made by Plisko second by Swaney to accept the retirement of Cafeteria Manager Sandy Victor effective March 11, 2016 and Tech Ed Instructor Karl Guappone effective June 30, 2016.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mr. Bezjak thanks Sandy and Karl for their many years of service. They are both great employees and will be missed. Best wishes in their future endeavors.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Sholtis to accept the resignation of Bus Monitor Elaine Byington effective February 2, 2016 and Chrystal Haynesworth effective February 12, 2016.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to accept the resignation of Long Term Substitute Science Instructor Donald Hilenbrant effective March 4, 2016.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to grant Anne-Marie Koss a leave of absence from approximately May 18, 2016 to the end of the 2015-16 school term.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

HIGH SCHOOL COACHES

A motion was made by Sholtis second by DeGusipe to hire the following coaches at AGHS:

1. Shawn Liotto as Head Football Coach for a three (3) year contract
2. Kristen Embacher and Emily Hartman as Co-Head Cheerleading
3. Shawn Chory as Head Baseball
4. Gary Serock as Head Softball
5. Joe Thomas as Head Track and Field
6. Jeremy Keefer as Head Boys Soccer
7. Larry Flowers, Nick Dubonovich as Assistant Softball
8. Tim Dye, Ron Popovich as Assistant Baseball
9. Drew Dindl as Head 9th Grade Baseball
10. Jason Stoy as Assistant 9th Grade Baseball

11. Ashley Winkler, Tom Corazzi as Assistant Track & Field
12. Shawn Liotto as Spring Conditioning
13. Lud Kopec as Volunteer Baseball

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to hire the following middle school coaches:

1. James Hershberger as Head Softball
2. Scott Girvin as Assistant Softball
3. Jeremy Keefer as Head Track
4. Russell Psenciska and Andy Miles as Assistant Track
5. Joe Embacher as Spring Athletic Director
6. Alison Evans as Volunteer Track

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SUBSTITUTES

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to add the following substitutes pending receipt of all proper documents:

1. Professional – Sarah Stephens, Thomas George, Kaela Myers, Adam Sanner, Sara Craft, Ashley Peck, Jesse Swink
2. Ashley McManus, Rita Reese, Pat Miller, Teena Senda as bus monitors; Tria Everly as Cafeteria sub

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CONFERENCE

A motion was made by Colebank second by DeGusipe to grant Duane Dupont permission to attend the State AD Conference in Hershey from March 15 – 18, 2016 at a cost not to exceed \$900.00.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

FACILITY USE

A motion was made by P Dunham second by Howard to grant use of AG North for a Youth County Qualifier Wrestling Tournament on February 29, 2015 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and March 8, 2016 from 3:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; Justin Moccaldi.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SPRING BASEBALL TRIP

A motion was made by Plisko second by DeGusipe to grant final approval of HS Baseball team trip to Myrtle Beach, SC for the Ripken's Baseball Spring Training on March 10, 2016 to March 14, 2016 at no cost to the district.

A motion was made by P Dunham second by Colebank to amend the motion to include a \$2,000.00 stipend and grant final approval of the HS Baseball team trip to Myrtle Beach, S. Carolina for the Ripken's Baseball Spring Training on March 10, 2016 to March 14, 2016.

Ayes: P Dunham, Colebank, DeGusipe, Howard, Moser, Plisko, M Dunham

Nays: Sholtis, Swaney

Discussion ensued on the motion with Plisko stating we should distinguish between athletic and educational trips. P. Dunham we have given to other sports and Colebank stating money was given to wrestlers. Swaney says we just closed a school and we have no funds.

A motion was made by P Dunham second by Colebank to grant final approval of the HS Baseball team trip to Myrtle Beach, S. Carolina for the Ripken's Baseball Spring Training on March 10, 2016 to March 14, 2016 with a \$2,000.00 stipend given by the district.

Ayes: P Dunham, Colebank, DeGusipe

Nays: Howard, Moser, Plisko, Sholtis, Swaney, M Dunham

Motion fails.

A motion was made by Sholtis second by DeGusipe to grant final approval of HS Baseball team trip to Myrtle Beach, SC for the Ripken's Baseball Spring Training on March 10, 2016 to March 14, 2016 at no cost to the district.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

President M. Dunham announced the next regular meeting will be held on March 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School cafeteria.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Sholtis to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.