

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.
GEORGE J. PLAVA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Silent Meditation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call

II. PUBLIC FORUM

- A. Luke Dice – HS Student – GPA/Scholarship Funding
- B. Dawn Dice – Parent – GPA/Scholarship Funding
- C. Candy Jordon and Principals – student awards

III. SECRETARIAL

- A. Enter into executive session if needed
- B. Executive sessions were held on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 from 7:17 p.m. to –7:25 p.m. and from 7:40 p.m. to 8:25 p.m. for personnel, student confidentiality and tax appeal litigation
- C. Adopt agenda as presented
- D. Approve minutes of the Re-Organization and Regular December meetings held on December 9, 2015 as presented
- E. An athletic committee meeting was held on January 21, 2016
- F. A finance committee meeting was held on January 13, 2016
- G. Change February work session to Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the George J. Plava Elementary School the board meeting will remain on Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

IV. FINANCIAL

- A. Accept treasurer’s report including tax collections for December 2015 and preliminary financial statements as presented
- B. Grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for January 2016:
 - 1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$3,139,637.51
 - 2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$11,375,444.13
- C. Approve payment of bills through activity accounts as presented by building principals
- D. Adopt preliminary budget proposal of the Albert Gallatin Area School District for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 in the amount of \$51,488,244.00 pursuant to Special Session Act 1 of 2006, as presented. The appropriate School District officers are directed to submit the preliminary budget proposal to the Pennsylvania Department of Education on or before February 1, 2016.
- E. Authorize application be made to the Pennsylvania Department of Education requesting Act 1 referendum exception for costs incurred in providing special education programs and services to students with disabilities, and payments incurred as a result of increases in state mandated contributions to the Public School Employees’ Retirement System. The appropriate District officers are directed to apply for the exception on or before February 11, 2016 and to give public notice of the intent to seek the exception by newspaper publication on or before February 4, 2016.

- F. Authorize financial support to the Public Libraries as follows:
 - 1. Masontown German - \$6,808.00
 - 2. Point Marion - \$2,000.00
 - 3. Smithfield - \$2,000.00

V. CORRESPONDENCE

VI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

VII. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

- A. Superintendent's report
- B. Approve third (3rd) and final reading of Revised Transportation Policy # 810 – policy adopted
- C. Waive 3 readings of Revised Mission Statement Policy #101 and adopt as presented

VIII. PERSONNEL

- A. Accept the resignation of Biology Instructor Zachary Sipe effective January 15, 2016
- B. Accept the resignation of Special Education Instructor Jessica Kirby effective December 10, 2015
- C. Accept the resignation of Bus Monitor Lisa Lataille effective January 27, 2016
- D. Grant Megan Harvey, Aide a leave of absence to the end of the 2015-16 school term
- E. Grant Bus Monitor Elaine Blyinton a 12 week leave of absence commencing January 1, 2016
- F. Place Sherry Hruska in the three (3) hour cafeteria position at AG North

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. Approve Grand Canyon University student teaching for the second semester as follows: Ashley Dugan/Teresa Seaman and Diana Black
- B. Grant preliminary approval for 22 students and 2 chaperones to attend the FBLA State Leadership Conference in Hershey, PA at a cost of \$1,376.00 from April 10 – 13, 2016, Karla Lent
- C. Approve HS Ski Club trip to Snowshoe, WV from February 19 – 21, 2016 at no cost to the District; Bethany Herman

X. MAINTENANCE

XI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. The next regular meeting will be held on February 17, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the George J. Plava Elementary School cafeteria.
- B. Motion to adjourn