

Albert Gallatin Area School Board – BOARD MEETING MINUTES

D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School – 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Janet Swaney, Vice-president Carla Franks, Treasurer Michael Dunham, Secretary Edward Colebank, Paul Dunham, David Howard, Charity Krupa, Betty Moser, Ryan Porupski

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Christopher Pegg, Sub-Controller Andy Musiolowski and Attorney Lee Price

President Swaney 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Colebank to enter into executive session 6:01 p.m. for personnel, collective bargaining and potential claim/accident.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to resume meeting at 7:17 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

President Swaney announced an executive session was held on July 29, 2019 from 6:10 pm to 9:02 pm for personnel, collective bargaining, student confidentiality and real estate.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Moser to adopt agenda as presented.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Moser second by Colebank to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 24, 2019 as presented.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to Accept treasurer's report including tax collections for June 2019 and preliminary financial statements as presented.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by P. Dunham to grant permission to pay the following bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$2,419,734.22 for July 2019:

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Franks to grant permission to pay current month general fund bills in the amount of \$2,618,581.34.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to accept activity accounts report as presented by building principals.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

ADULT MEAL PRICES

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to grant permission to increase adult meal prices in accordance with the NSLP regulations to the following: Adult Breakfast \$2.00 and Adult Lunch \$3.75.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to grant permission to pay the following bills through Capital Projects:

1. Piccolomini Contractors – \$53,201.93 – AG High School sanitary sewer line replacement Project, Application No. 1.
 2. Piccolomini Contractors – \$127,048.70 – AG High School sanitary sewer line replacement Project, Application No. 2.
 3. Allegheny Restoration, Inc. - \$5,687.00 – AG North exterior masonry façade repairs.
 4. Pittsburgh Stage, Inc. – \$8,618.00 – AG High School rigging, track, battens and curtains.
 5. Pittsburgh Stage, Inc. – \$23,110.00 – AG High School rigging, track, battens and curtains, final payment.
- Total: \$217,665.63

All members present voting in favor of motion.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None

CBM MINISTRIES

A motion was made by Colebank second by M. Dunham to approve Release Time for Bible Classes by Cornerstone Ministry Center for the 2019-2020 school year; Todd Witters.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

REVISED CALENDAR

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Moser to approve the revised 2019-2020 district calendar, as presented.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

NEW POLICY 006.2

A motion was made by Krupa second by Colebank to approve first reading of Policy 006.2 Dissemination of Meeting Agenda.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

CREATE POSITIONS

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to create and hire four classroom aides, placed by Superintendent.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

RESIGNATION

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to accept the resignation of Ashley Rizer, cafeteria worker effective July 26, 2019.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

AWARD POSITIONS

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to award Mark Jones, dayshift custodian position at Masontown Elementary, according to contract.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by P. Dunham to award Eugene Franks, Maintenance position, according to contract.

Ayes: Colebank, M. Dunham, P. Dunham, Porupski, Moser, Howard, Swaney

Nays: Krupa

Abstain: Franks

A motion was made by Porupski second by P. Dunham to award the following positions, according to contract.

1. Leandra Dirda, Grade 1 at AL Wilson Elementary (one year only).
2. Johnna Pleban, Grade 1 at Friendship Hill Elementary
3. Jennifer Hartman, Grade 4 at Friendship Hill Elementary
4. Megan McGill, Grade 5 at George J. Plava Elementary (one year only)
5. Cassandra Jellick, Grade 2 at Masontown Elementary
6. Heather Lux, Grade 5 at Smithfield Elementary (one year only)
7. Brooke Patterson, Learning Support Position – AG South Middle School
8. Jennifer Baukol, Learning Support Position – AG South Middle School
9. Ashley Winkler, Learning Support/Lifeskills Position – AG South Middle School

All members present voting in favor of motion.

FACT-FIND REPORT BETWEEN AGASD AND AGEA

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by M. Dunham to accept the Board of School Directors of Albert Gallatin Area School District hereby accepts the Fact-Finding Report and Recommendations of Fact-Finder Michelle Miller-Kotula, dated July 29, 2019, captioned “In the Matter of Fact-Finding Between Albert Gallatin Area School District and Albert Gallatin Education Association, PSEA/NEA,” Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board Case No. Act 88-19-9-W.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

NEW HIRES

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to hire Rachel Chapman custodian at AL Wilson Elementary midnight shift, according to contract.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Franks to hire Julie Sines as Temporary Professional Employee for Grade 6 at AG South Middle School at Step 4.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to hire Bethanie Kern as Temporary Professional Employee for Elementary Art Instructor at AL Wilson Elementary School at Step 3.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

RETIREMENT

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to accept the retirement of Kristie Wade, Special Education Instructor effective July 26, 2019.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

Superintendent Pegg wishes to thank Mrs. Wade for her dedicated years of service to the district and wishes her a happy and healthy retirement.

SUBSTITUTE LIST

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by M. Dunham to grant permission to add Autumn Dziak, sub cafeteria and aide to substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

STEP BY STEP TRAINING

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Moser to grant approval for professional development services to be provided by Step by Step Learning for leadership training programs, including DIBELS Next and RtII program implementation for grade K-2 instructors, as needed. Cost of \$49,918 to be paid through Title I funding.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

PLTW-STEM TRAINING

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to grant permission for Justin Malik to attend the PLTW –STEM training for the middle school programs in Rochester, NY, August 4-9, 2019 as required by the grant initiative at a cost not to exceed \$3,500 paid through PLTW Grant funds.

Ayes: Colebank, M. Dunham, P. Dunham, Porupski, Krupa, Moser, Howard, Swaney

Nays: Franks

FACILITY USE

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Howard to grant use of AG North gym and cafeteria and AG South gym to AG Elementary Basketball from September 30, 2019 to December 20, 2019 from 4:30 pm – 9:30 pm for basketball practice and games; Leigh Ann David and Bryan Usher.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

MOWER PURCHASE

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Porupski to Grant permission to purchase a John Deere ZTrak mower from Middletown Tractor Sales at PA CoStar cost of \$9,715.50 for use at AG South and Friendship Hill Schools.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Howard to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

The next regular meeting will be held on August 14, 2019 at the D. Ferd Swaney School cafeteria.